UCL - Fudan University Strategic Partner Funds 2026-27

The Office of the Vice-Provost (Research, Innovation, Global Engagement) at University College London (UCL) and the Office of Global Partnerships at Fudan University (Fudan) are contributing matching funds to support collaborative education and research initiatives through a joint call for proposals.

1. Projects

This call invites proposals in areas of mutual interest and complementary strength that have the potential to deepen the strategic partnership between UCL and Fudan.

The initiative seeks to build on existing links and stimulate new ones between UCL and Fudan. Successful applicants will clearly outline in their proposal a specific project that they would like to explore with their counterparts.

Applications from all fields are eligible but proposals in the following areas are particularly encouraged:

- Climate change (green and sustainable science and technology)
- Health and healthcare (clinical research, public health, and healthcare engineering)
- Cultural heritage (preservation, conservation, and digital heritage)

Proposals should be co-led by a Lead Applicant at each institution and can involve a wider team of participants from each institution, as appropriate to the activities proposed.

Up to three joint projects will be selected for funding. Proposals will be assessed by a committee composed of members from both institutions.

2. Eligibility for participants within the scope of this call

Applications are open to UCL / Fudan staff members in the following roles:

- Professor or equivalent
- Associate Professor / Reader or equivalent
- Senior Lecturer / Principal Researcher / Principal Research Associate or equivalent
- Lecturer / Senior Research Associate or equivalent
- Post Doc / Researcher / Research Associate or equivalent

Note:

- Applicants from UCL must have an open-ended UCL contract or a fixed-term contract which lasts until at least July 2027.
- Applicants are not required to have a doctorate to apply but do need to hold a role at one of the levels described above
- PhD students are not eligible to apply but their involvement in the delivery of the project (for example as research assistants or interns) is permissible.
- UCL Professional Service & VP Office staff are not eligible to apply but can take part in the project where this supports its aims and objectives.