

Global Engagement Funds

A Grassroots Initiative to Deliver Global Impact.





NACCD Conference, March 2018

Alejandro Moreno, Strategic Data Manager

Chris Cook, Project Manager (Grants & Evaluation)

UCL Global Engagement Office

Image: UCL Creative Media Services

-  UCL context
-  Global Engagement Strategy (GES)
-  Global Engagement Funds (GEF)
-  Apply through a collaboration with UCL/ Mimic the GEF in your institution

University College London in a Global Higher Education context.



MIT	11,376	\$3,552m	1	59,306	7,065
Stanford Uni	16,914	\$10,504m	2	85,264	2,153
Harvard	20,324	\$4,906m	3	215,336	4,671
Cal Tech	2,240	\$2,948m	4	29,825	2,900
Cambridge	21,656	\$2,599m	5	79,865	6,645
Oxford	23,195	\$1,946m	6	91,442	9,045
UCL	41,539	\$1,845m	7	98,700	6,479
Imperial	16,610	\$1,377m	8	72,012	3,765
Uni of Chicago	14,467	\$4,355m	9	57,682	2,350
ETH Zurich	19,233	\$1,874m	10	43,572	7,798
	# Students	Last year income	QS World Rank	# In Cites Papers	# Academic Staff

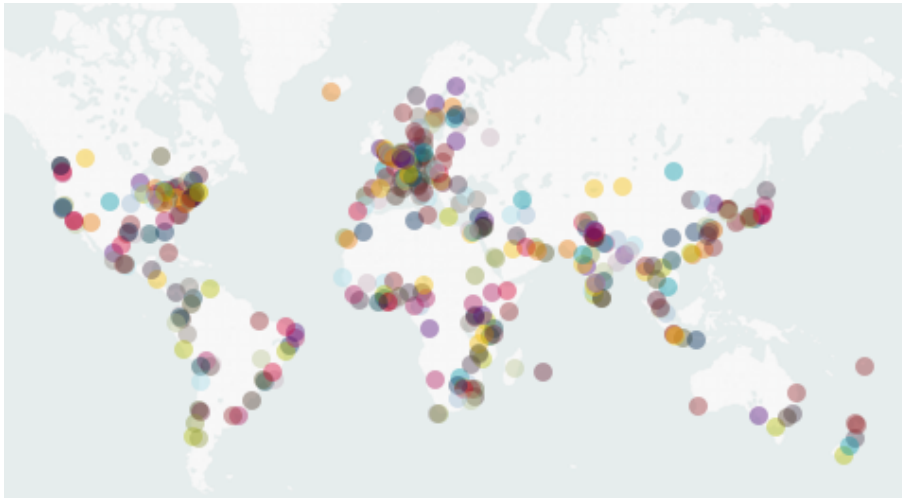
29

Nobel Prize winners
(13 non-UK)

- Founded in 1826 to open up higher education in England to those previously excluded
- By 1878, first English university to admit female students on equal terms with men
- Houses auto-icon of famous philosopher and jurist Jeremy Bentham – UCL's "spiritual founder"



“The Global Engagement Office (GEO) helps put UCL's knowledge and ideas to work in the world. We use our expertise to facilitate and strengthen new and existing collaborations, driven by the belief that with the right mix of minds, anything is possible”



Six Principal Themes

UCL 2034: our institutional 20-year strategy

1. Academic leadership
2. Integrating research and education
3. Global challenges
4. Accessible and Publicly-engaged.
5. London's Global University
6. Delivering global impact

5 GES strategic drivers



Think global,
act together

What are the Global Engagement Funds?

- Small grants scheme open to all UCL academics collaborating with colleagues based in other countries
- To support grassroots partnerships between academics across the globe
- Up to £2,000 / \$2,800 / 52,000mxn available per award.
- Centrally managed, working with UCL's network of Vice-Deans (International) and regional Pro-Vice-Provosts.
- 11 faculty panels, 7 regional panels - 2 opportunities for funding - **110+** awards.
- Funds are open to postdocs/RAs and above.

Do you collaborate with colleagues overseas?
Are you working internationally?
The **Global Engagement Funds** can help.

- First 3 years - we allocated **£500k** supporting over **400** UCL academics to partner with **464** organisations in **79** countries worldwide.
- First 2 years - **£360k** of funding awards contributed to **£2.8m** in external grants. With a further **£7.2m** - that we know of - in the process of applied for.
- Roughly **50%** are new collaborations, others strengthened an existing relationship.
- **85%** produced, or planning, an academic publication with partners.
- **87%** of recipients applying for, or considering, larger-scale research bid with their partner.



“I cannot speak the praise of this funding source enough. Having official funds to travel back and forth to my partner made a collaboration flourish that would have otherwise not gotten off of the ground.”

Dr Jeremy Skipper, Senior Lecturer,
Experimental Psychology



“Any partnership is only successful if people trust each other, and you develop this trust by visiting a partner more than once. The Global Engagement Funds have helped us to do that”

Professor Monica Lakhanpaul, Professor of Integrated Child Health and Head of Population, Policy and Practice
Country: **India**
UCL Great Ormond Street Institute of Child Health

“I cannot stress enough how important this award has been, both to my grant and to my clinical practice. Until I had stood in a rural Peruvian kitchen, coughing and eyes streaming, and with my clothes smelling of smoke I had not really experienced biomass COPD”

Dr John Hurst, Reader in Respiratory Medicine
Country: **Peru**
UCL Medical Sciences



Observations

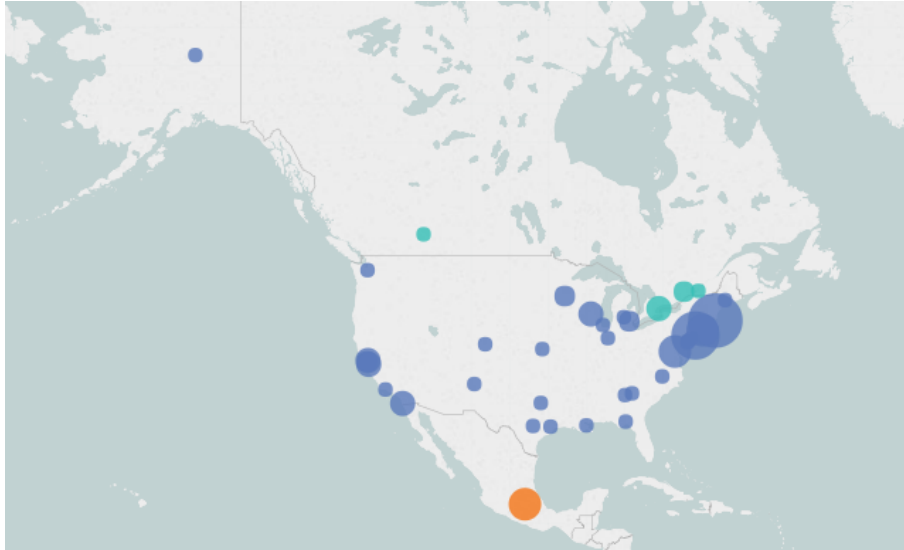
Effective use of funds – leverage external funding and build connections with global partners

Effective way to implement a strategy based around partnerships (if you have one)

Good way to find out where academics are working



https://public.tableau.com/profile/alejandro.m7962#!/vizhome/20171123_DataVizGEFMeeting_Chris/Dashboard1



- Bill and Melinda Gates
- Boston Cyberarts Inc.
- Carleton University
- Colby College
- University of Chicago
- University of Colorado, Denver
- University of Georgia
- University of Michigan
- University of New Mexico
- University of Pennsylvania

- Columbia University
- Emory University
- Harvard Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics
- Harvard University
- Kansas State University
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- National Autonomous University of Mexico
- National Research Council
- New York University
- Northeastern University
- Stanford University
- University of Calgary
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, San Diego
- University of California, San Diego
- University of California, San Francisco
- University of Minnesota
- University of Toronto
- University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Yale University

5 collaborations in Mexico in the last 3 years via Global Engagement Funds



Roberto Murcio, Dr. Saladin Meckled-Garcia, Dr. Jennie Gamlin, Dr. Ilan Adler

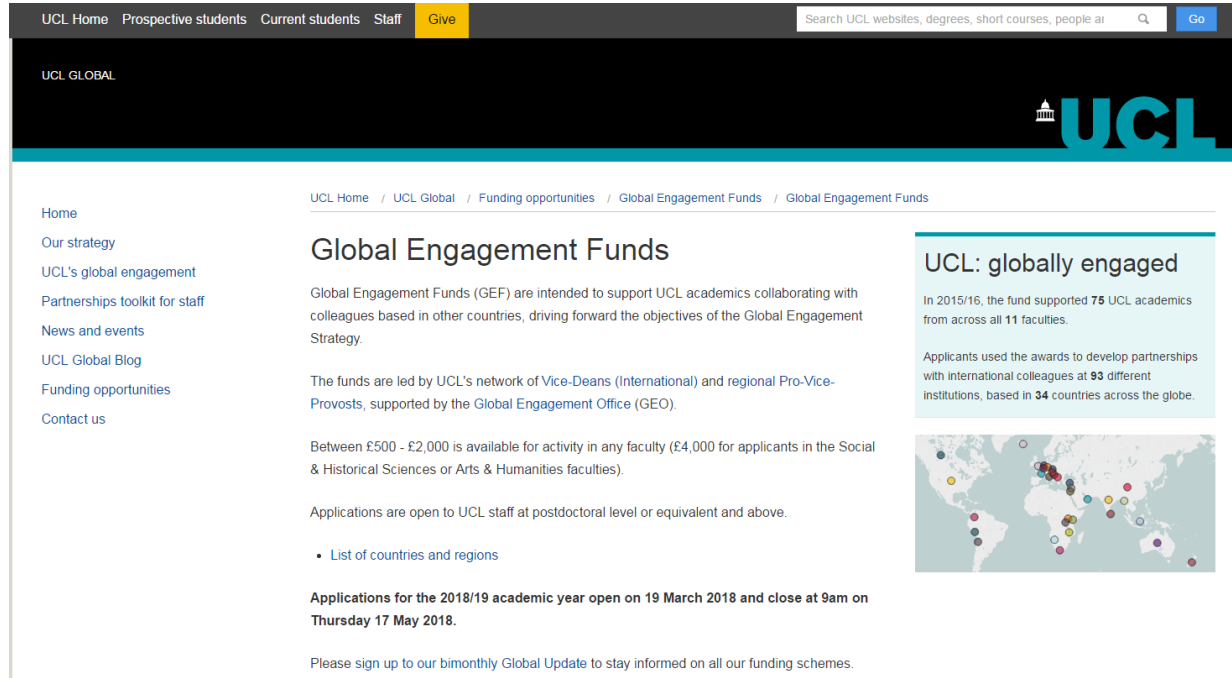


Dr Moises Vaca, Roberto Campos, Dr Amy M Lerner, Prof Omar Masera, Dr Carlos Gerherson.

**Departments
Philosophy, Institute of Ecology,
Institute for Ecosystem and
Sustainability.**

Apply for Global Engagement Funds 2018/19:

<http://www.ucl.ac.uk/global/funding-opportunities/ucl-global-engagement-funds/global-engagement-funds>

A screenshot of the UCL Global Engagement Funds 2018/19 webpage. The page has a dark header with navigation links: UCL Home, Prospective students, Current students, Staff, and Give. A search bar is on the right. Below the header, the page title 'UCL GLOBAL' is on the left, and the UCL logo is on the right. The main content area has a breadcrumb trail: UCL Home / UCL Global / Funding opportunities / Global Engagement Funds / Global Engagement Funds. The title 'Global Engagement Funds' is prominently displayed. The text describes the funds as intended to support UCL academics collaborating with colleagues based in other countries, driving forward the objectives of the Global Engagement Strategy. It mentions that the funds are led by UCL's network of Vice-Deans (International) and regional Pro-Vice-Provosts, supported by the Global Engagement Office (GEO). A funding range of £500 - £2,000 is specified, with a note that £4,000 is available for applicants in the Social & Historical Sciences or Arts & Humanities faculties. Applications are open to UCL staff at postdoctoral level or equivalent and above. A link to 'List of countries and regions' is provided. A deadline notice states: 'Applications for the 2018/19 academic year open on 19 March 2018 and close at 9am on Thursday 17 May 2018.' A final note encourages signing up to the bimonthly Global Update. On the right side, there is a sidebar with the title 'UCL: globally engaged' and text stating that in 2015/16, the fund supported 75 UCL academics from across all 11 faculties. It also mentions that applicants used the awards to develop partnerships with international colleagues at 93 different institutions, based in 34 countries across the globe. Below this text is a world map with colored dots indicating global locations.

Mimic the Global Engagement Funds in your institution:

- The scheme thrives within the long term defined strategy by your institution.
- Contact Chris Cook (c.cook@ucl.ac.uk) or Alejandro Moreno (a.moreno@ucl.ac.uk) for more info.

End of presentation

