

## Alumni News

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Last month has brought even more reasons to be proud of UCL's global impact. For only the second time ever, [a patient with HIV has gone into remission](#) thanks to research led by UCL clinicians. UCL's research and teaching quality have maintained our ranking as the best place in the world to study [education](#) for the sixth year running and [architecture](#) for the first time. And we are proud to welcome [alumnus Victor Chu](#) back to campus as the new Chair of Council at UCL. It's in part thanks to our wonderful alumni and supporters that UCL can have such an influential global reach.

Our greatest asset as a university is our people. We aim to attract the best students and staff from across the world. Alumni volunteers give their valuable time and expertise in a range of roles, enabling us to build a brighter future for our university and its students. This is all in support of our goal to reach 250,000 volunteer hours as part of the campaign for UCL: [It's All Academic](#), for which we reached a total of 159,000 hours at the end of March.

To recognise the incredible alumni volunteers who are instrumental to the success of these communities, we are delighted to once again be hosting the Alumni Volunteer Awards 2019. Nominations are now open to all UCL alumni from around the world so if you or someone you know has made a generous contribution to a UCL department, the wider student experience or research then I encourage you to [take part](#).

Best wishes,

Lori Houlihan, Vice Provost (Advancement)



### It's All Academic Campaign: celebrating our stellar scholars and the alumni who support them

We're celebrating six things that UCL's campaign and its alumni have been up to since the new year, from unveiling state-of-the-art buildings to revolutionising the education system in countries including Egypt and Saudi Arabia.

[Catch up here »](#)


### UCL students launch a social enterprise aiming to tackle global food security

This time last year, Lincoln Lee and Kisum Chan were regular second-year students at UCL. Today, the pair run their own social enterprise, Rice Inc., which could change the lives of over 49 million people by 2025.

[Read their inspiring story here »](#)


### UCL East plans approved

UCL's Reserved Matters applications for the new UCL East campus have been approved following a unanimous decision from the London Legacy Development Corporation Planning Decisions Committee.

[Read more »](#)


### Do you #loveUCL?

We love we seeing pictures of your time here at UCL and hearing the stories behind the photos. Share your UCL images, old or new, using #loveUCL on social media or by [emailing us](#).

## More UCL News



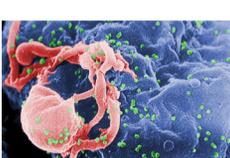
### Brand new finance network established

We're excited to announce the launch of the UCL Alumni Finance Network, established by Thomas Fitzgerald and Neha Mehay to bring alumni in the finance sector together.

[Find out how to get involved here »](#)


### Education and architecture ranked No. 1 in world subject rankings

UCL is the best place in the world to study education and architecture according to QS World University rankings. A further eight subjects have been ranked in the top 10.

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### HIV remission achieved in second patient

For the second time ever, a UK person with HIV is now in long-term remission, after a stem cell transplant in London. UCL Professor Ravi Gupta led the clinical research team alongside partnering universities including Cambridge and Oxford.

[Discover more about the research here »](#)


### The CAJ Student Pro Bono Committee organises the first UCL Refugee Food Festival

Students of the UCL Centre for Access to Justice Student Pro Bono Committee organised the first student-led UCL Refugee Food Festival yesterday, in support of charity Safe Passage.

[Find out more about the festival »](#)

## Volunteering News

### Alumni Volunteering Awards 2019



We are delighted to announce nominations are open for the 2019 Alumni Volunteering Awards. If you, or someone you know, have made a generous contribution to the UCL community submit a nomination by April 21!

[Nominate today »](#)

### New reunion toolkit launched



We are committed to making it easier for UCL alumni to get together. So, we're proud to launch a new reunion toolkit, designed to simplify the process of those interested in volunteering as a reunion leader.

[Take a look at the new toolkit and discover the reunions taking place soon »](#)

## Upcoming Events

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### UCL Lancet Lecture – NCDs as a global emergency: closer to pandemic or climate change?

Over 70% of global health deaths are caused by non-communicable diseases (NCDs). Like pandemics, NCDs are usually preventable. Like climate change, NCDs require a multi-sectoral response. Like both, NCDs are largely human-caused. This lecture claims that NCDs are a problem with ethical, sustainable and affordable solutions.

[Book tickets »](#)

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### UCL Connect: Innovating our built environment

Meet the alumni architects, designers and urbanists who are innovating solutions to some of the most pressing challenges of the built environment. During this panel talk and networking evening, hear how industry leaders are developing sustainable cities, life-improving projects, robotics and transformative technologies that will affect future urban living.

[Book tickets »](#)

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### UCL Physics & Astronomy 25 Year Reunion

Catch up with old friends and hear the latest news from the faculty at the Physics and Astronomy 25 year reunion.

[Book tickets »](#)

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### UCL Faculty of Life Sciences Alumni Reception – 'From little things, big things grow'

The human gut contains over 100 trillion microorganisms. Many are critical to our health. An imbalance can lead to disease. Professor Joanne Santini discusses huge bacterial viruses (bacteriophages): their potential roles in driving microbial composition in the gut, thereby affecting human health, and as natural therapies for gut dysbiosis.

[Book tickets »](#)

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### UCL CEGE Ten Year Reunion

Alumni Dina Holzapfel and Leonor White Vilardell are delighted to invite CEGE alumni and guests to reunite at UCL on Friday 5 July. Join them for a tour of the department from 5.30pm, followed by dinner and drinks to hear all about the latest UCL news and catch up with friends.

[Book tickets »](#)

### While you are here...

We are making some exciting changes to our alumni communications and want you to be a part of them. To ensure that you continue to hear about our news and events, including a brand new online Portico magazine, please make sure you [opt in here](#).

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