

**UCL GRAND CHALLENGES**

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Small Grant Application Form—**Part 1**

# 2022-23 Call Outline

**£7,500 awards for cross-disciplinary collaborations**

Awards of up to £7,500 available for research-informed, societally relevant, cross-disciplinary and cross-boundary activities.

* We support collaborations across [UCL faculties](https://www.ucl.ac.uk/about/how/faculties) or between researchers and [UCL Professional Services](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/professional-services) staff
* Deadline for applications: **11.59pm, Sunday 12 June 2022**
* All project costs must be claimed and paid for by **31 July 2023**
* Proposals should relate to one of [the six UCL Grand Challenges](https://www.ucl.ac.uk/grand-challenges/six-ucl-grand-challenges)
* All applications must include two applicants from UCL, and any number of additional collaborators. [Read the full eligibility criteria.](https://www.ucl.ac.uk/grand-challenges/funding/small-grants/eligibility-criteria)

### Also of interest:

Relevance to pan-GC themes for 2022-23 (details to be announced in late June):

* Climate Crisis
* Food Security
* Place & Displacement
* UN SDGs: Pathways to Achievement

Relevance to the candidate themes for [UCL’s five-year Strategy 2022-27](https://www.ucl.ac.uk/strategic-plan-2022-27):

* Climate Crisis
* Inequalities
* Data-Empowered Societies
* Mental Wellbeing

You can see current Grand Challenges [areas of interest and Special Initiative themes here](https://www.ucl.ac.uk/grand-challenges/areas-interest).

# Instructions

Before you begin, please check the [**eligibility criteria**](https://www.ucl.ac.uk/grand-challenges/funding/small-grants/eligibility-criteria), and the [**financial requirements**](https://www.ucl.ac.uk/grand-challenges/funding-opportunities-for-UCL-researchers/small-grants/eligibility/financial-reqs/) and that you are aware of the [**exclusions**](https://www.ucl.ac.uk/grand-challenges/funding/small-grants/exclusions) from our scheme.

When you have completed this application form:

1. Rename this file using this format: "First Applicant Family Name and Second Applicant Family Name"
2. Convert the file to pdf

Upload it using the [Online Submission Form (Part 2)](https://form.jotform.com/221143469357357)

Please **do not email this form** as we cannot accept emailed applications.

The deadline for applications is **11.59pm, Sunday 12 June**.

## First and Second Applicant

Please replace the names below with the family names of the first and second applicants

First and Second

## Proposal title

-- Title --

## Grand Challenge

Which Grand Challenge does your proposal relate to?

The UCL Grand Challenges is focusing on ways in which UCL cross-disciplinary research can engage with the objectives set out in the [United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs)](https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals/).

Please indicate which, if any, of the UN SDGs (goals or targets) this application relates to.

The [UCL Strategic Plan 2022-27 Consultation](https://www.ucl.ac.uk/strategic-plan-2022-27) includes a plans to [evolve the Grand Challenges programme](https://www.ucl.ac.uk/strategic-plan-2022-27/sites/strategic_plan_2022_27/files/evolving_the_ucl_grand_challenges.pdf), and introduces four new potential themes.

Please indicate which, if any, of the candidate themes your work relates to:

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| --- | --- |
| Climate Crisis [ ]  | Inequality [ ]  |
| Data-empowered societies [ ]  | Mental Wellbeing [ ]  |

**NB** The GC small grants scheme is non-prescriptive, so please don't feel constrained by these prospective strategic topics.

# About you and your UCL collaborator

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| First Applicant:**Name:**      **Position:**      **Department:**      **Faculty:**       | Second Applicant:**Name:**      **Position:**      **Department:**      **Faculty:**       |

Briefly describe the First Applicant’s research interests:

Briefly describe the Second Applicant’s research interests:

Is this a new collaboration? If not, what is new about this particular collaboration?

## Additional Collaborators

Names and details of any additional collaborators

If relevant, detail any additional UCL collaborators and/or collaborations with external partners.Partners may be based in the UK or overseas. Partner organisations may be either academic or non-academic, and should be engaged in the co-creation of the proposal with the applicants.

If relevant, outline any material contributions to be made by your external collaborators - e.g. financial or logistical.

# About your proposed activities

What are the objectives of your proposed activities? (Guide: 100 words)

Please outline a schedule for your proposed activities. (Guide: 200–500 words)

What makes this a cross-disciplinary proposal? (Guide 200 words)

Your proposal should indicate clearly defined contributions from both applicants.

Does your proposal cross a boundary between academic research and the concerns of a non-academic, civil society organisation? If so, please briefly say what makes it an important cross-boundary activity. (Guide 200 words)

What are the expected outcomes of your proposal? (Guide: 100 words)

What is the societal relevance of this proposal? (Guide: 100 words)

Does your proposal require ethical approval?

Yes [ ]  No [ ]

If yes, how will you address this issue?

# Budget

Amount: £

Please give an estimated budget for the requested amount:

* All costs associated with your activities must be claimed and paid for by **31 July 2023**
* UKRI staff replacement, bench fees and teaching “buy out” are not admissible costs in applications for GC small grants.