
Joint Seed Funding CU – UoStA 2025

Applications open

The fourth call of the Charles-St Andrews Joint Seed Funding Scheme is now open.

Deadline for applications is **12 May 2025 (5pm CET, 4pm BST)**.

Purpose

Charles University and the University of St Andrews have established a joint seed funding scheme with the goal of facilitating cooperation in the framework of our strategic partnership. This represents the fourth call for proposals for joint initiatives between CU and UoStA following a pilot in 2022. The funding shall enable academic staff from all disciplines to identify complementary strengths, explore areas of synergy, and develop outstanding future projects in research and academic innovation. The joint seed funding aims to support the first steps of cooperation and is not meant as complete project funding.

Possible formats for cooperation may include:

- Intensive research workshops
- Pedagogical workshops (e.g. exploring digital or other course collaboration)
- Short-term research stays
- Graduate summer/winter programmes
- Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) projects

Funding

Each application will receive up to ?5,000 (approx. €6,000) in total or ?2,500 (approx. €3,000) from each institution.

Project timelines should not exceed 12 months from the project start date. It is expected that projects will start no later than 1 September 2025.

Eligibility

The supported activities should have a clearly defined focus and serve as a catalyst for the development of new joint projects. The activities can take place in Prague or in St Andrews. The motivation for holding the activity should be clearly explained, including how the involved CU and UoStA faculties and schools can benefit long term from this cooperation.

Principal Investigators should be full-time or part-time academic staff with a contract of employment until at least the end of the project. Projects may also include the participation of self-funded external investigators or partner institutions where relevant.

Applications from academic staff in all Schools are welcome and will be assessed on the basis of:

- partnership and strategic relevance
- academic quality and innovation
- anticipated outcomes and scalability of the project
- impact and legacy

Full information is provided in the [CU-StA joint seed funding guidelines \(PDF\)](#)

Application

One joint application must be submitted by **Monday, 12 May 2025 (5pm CET, 4pm BST)** using the [online submission link](#).

The following documents must be submitted as part of the application:

1. [2025 CU-UStA application form](#) (Word)
2. Curriculum vitae of CU PI

3. Curriculum vitae of UStA PI
4. Endorsement letter of CU head of faculty
5. Endorsement letter of UStA head of school