

Yunnan University seeks UK partners for collaborations

Yunnan University (云南大学) is looking for UK partners to develop partnership programmes at Bachelor, Master and PhD levels in disciplines of:

- Atmospheric sciences
- Hydrological and climate extreme studies
- International studies
- Climate and human impacts on natural resources
- Business administration
- Tourism management
- Accounting and finance management

Form of cooperation

In terms of cooperation form, Yunnan University is open for discussion with UK partners interested, and happy to take partners' suggestion, based on mutual respect and agreement. Below are possible forms to consider at initial stage:

- Bachelor and master's articulation programme
- Bachelor's joint programme in the form of 4+0, 3+1, 2+2, etc.
- Master's joint programme in the form of 2.5+0, 1.5+1, 2.5+0.5, etc.
- Exchange programme for students and faculties
- Joint research

Benefits for the UK partners

This provides an opportunity for the UK universities to:

- establish long-term partnership with Yunnan University, with potential for expansion into other fields such as teacher training, etc.
- attract more domestic and international students
- enhance recognition and reputation in China
- establish alumni association and social network in China
- get access to specialized research facilities and first-hand observation dataset.

Areas of responsibility for the two collaborating parties

The UK partner university will be expected to work with Yunnan University to:

- develop the curricula for the joint programmes together with Yunnan University
- provide qualified teaching staff for the joint programmes and exchange programmes
- award bachelor/master's degree to students
- provide opportunity for short- or long-term visit
- provide opportunity for potential joint research

Yunnan University will be responsible for:

- promoting and recruiting students for the programmes
- providing qualified teaching staff as well as the required teaching premises and facilities for the joint programmes
- award bachelor/master's degree to students
- provide opportunity for short- or long-term visit.
- Provide opportunity for potential joint research

About Chinese University

Yunnan University was founded in 1922, when it was Private Donglu University. In 1934, it was renamed as Provincial Yunnan University and in 1938 renamed as National Yunnan University. It is one of the earliest comprehensive universities in Southwest China. In 1937, when Xiong Qinglai, the well-known mathematician and educationist, served as the president, a large number of renowned scholars were employed to teach at the university, which laid foundation for its development and profound academic tradition, leading to the first glorious era in the history of Yunnan University. In 1940s, Yunnan University developed into one of the famous large universities in China with international influence and offered courses in arts, law, science, engineering, agriculture and medical science. In 1946, Yunnan University was listed by Concise Encyclopaedia Britannica as one of the 15 world's famous universities in China. In 2012, it became a participant of the Central-western Chinese Universities Capacity-building Project, and a participant in the Central-western Chinese Universities Comprehensive Capacity Promotion Project. In 2017, it became one of the first 42 first-class universities in China. In 2018, it became one of the 14 universities in central and western China that were jointly supported by the Ministry of Education and local provincial governments.

More information about Yunnan University can be found at <http://english.ynu.edu.cn/>.