



The University of Manchester



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made on the date of last signature between:

Universidad de Chile whose administrative address is Av. Libertador Bernardo O'Higgins 1058, Santiago, Región Metropolitana, Chile (hereinafter referred to as "UChile")

And

The University of Manchester whose administrative address is Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9PL (hereinafter referred to as "UoM")

Hereinafter also collectively and individually referred to as "Parties" and "Party", respectively

Whereas the Parties have a mutual interest in establishing closer working relationships in respect of research, education, the application of knowledge and scholarship across a range of areas of mutual interest. The Parties therefore have agreed to cooperate on the following terms and conditions:

1. The aim of the cooperation under this MoU is where appropriate to align the various cooperation initiatives between the Parties with the objective to benefit from synergy between them and to be a fruitful platform for new initiatives.
2. Subject to any appropriate confidentiality arrangements, the Parties will enter into discussions with each other to improve the awareness of their respective areas of expertise and needs, and assist in building networks to facilitate mutual cooperation.
3. The Parties, recognising the potential for cooperation in delivering seminars and lectures, will keep each other informed regarding possibilities to deliver joint seminars, research activities, publications and lectures.
4. The Parties, recognising that they may be interested in undertaking joint teaching, research, or technology projects, will discuss and jointly explore the potential for such workshops and projects. If any such workshop or research project is identified by the Parties, a separate agreement will be put into place and the Parties will enter into good faith negotiations to agree fair and reasonable terms.

5. The Parties see a benefit to review the potential for academic exchange. This may include undergraduate, postgraduate, postdoctoral students, teachers, researchers, academic materials and other information, and academic staff from the working on research and development projects in each other's laboratories. It may also include the staff working at each other's locations, e.g. as a visiting professor. Any such staff or student exchange arrangements will be subject to a separate agreement.
6. The Parties, recognising that they may be interested in undertaking joint teaching, the Parties will discuss and jointly explore the potential for teaching collaboration. If teaching collaboration is jointly identified by the Parties, a separate agreement will be put into place and the Parties will enter into good faith negotiations to agree fair and reasonable term
7. The Parties will discuss combining efforts to develop a programme of post graduate student exchanges, which may include, joint co-supervision of PhD theses and short-term academic programmes (internship and other modalities) agreed by both Parties. Subject to availability of resources and funds, the Parties envisage that they will each waive the student fees, the general principles of the student exchange are more fully detailed in Schedule 1.
8. The Parties will discuss combining efforts to access third party research and technology programme funding and other networks where appropriate.
9. The arrangements for all joint projects as outlined in this MoU will be by mutual agreement. The purpose of this MoU is to promote academic exchange only and no funding will be required from either Party except as mutually agreed. The Parties agree that all financial arrangements will have to be negotiated for each specific case and will depend on the availability of funds.
10. For the avoidance of doubt any rights of ownership to or title in any intellectual property shall not transfer under this MoU.
11. The Parties agree that each Party shall be free to carry out activities similar to the ones mentioned herein with any third party.
12. The Parties agree that if they intend to disclose to each other any information of a proprietary nature, the Parties will put a confidentiality agreement in place in advance of any such disclosure.
13. This MoU shall be effective on the date of last signature and shall remain in force for a term of five years (5). Thereafter, subject to a review by each Party confirming the MoU is achieving the objectives set out above, it shall be confirmed in writing and renewed for a

further term of five (5) years. However, this MoU may be terminated by either party, or by mutual agreement, subject to three (3) months' written notice.

14. For all relevant matters concerning the arrangements outlined in this MoU each Party will appoint a coordinator as follows:
 - UoM appoints as coordinator: Professor Stephen Flint, Associate Vice President International
 - UChile appoints as coordinator: Professor Alicia Salomone, Director of International Relations

A Party may change a coordinator by written notice to the other Party

15. No Party shall be legally bound by this MoU or any part of it.
16. Concerning the interpretation and enforcement of this MoU the Parties shall resolve any disagreements through negotiations to reach a mutual understanding.
17. The Parties will not be responsible for damages and will incur no liability that could arise in way as a consequence of a fortuitous event or force majeure, particularly due to the stoppage of academic or administrative work, in the understanding that, once these events have been overcome, activities will be resumed in the manner and terms that determined by both Parties. A force majeure event includes a national emergency, war, prohibitive government regulations, labor disputes, floods, terrorism, riots, or any other cause beyond the reasonable control of the Parties.
18. The Parties acknowledge that UChile has internal regulations on sexual harassment, violence and gender discrimination in the academic environment of the University of Chile, expressed, particularly, in its University Policy to Prevent Sexual Harassment at the University of Chile (2017), and its models, in its Student Regulations (D.U. N°007586, of 1993), its Student Disciplinary Jurisdiction Regulations (D.U. N°0026685, of 2019) and its Protocol of Action in the event of Complaints of Sexual Harassment, Gender Violence, Workplace Harassment and Arbitrary Discrimination (D.U. N°0026723, de 2024), instruments that are permanently available on the following institutional website:
<https://direcciondegenero.uchile.cl/repositorio/>.

19. Neither Party shall use the name or logo of the other Party in any press release or product advertising or for any other commercial purpose without the prior written consent of the other Party.

On behalf of The University of Manchester

On behalf of The University of Chile

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Name: Prof. Rosa Devés Alessandri

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Schedule 1

The Public Health team in the Epidemiology and Public Health Group at the University of Manchester and The University of Chile will offer a PGR student exchange program (for MSc and PhD) in the area of **Climate Change and Public Health** on topics including but not limited to Non-communicable disease, Infectious disease, Mental health, Impact of air or water quality on public health, Impact of nutrition and food quality, and Healthcare System resilience.

The program will facilitate PGR student exchanges between paired research labs at each institution for a 3-12 month project. The exchange is like-for-like such that each university will waive fees for the incoming student. The travelling student will be responsible for the costs of the placement and the host lab will be responsible for the research costs of the incoming student.

We anticipate 2 pairs of students in the first year and that it will grow to up to 6 pairs within 5 years.

During that time, the UoM-UChile Dual Award PhD Program in Climate Change and Public Health will be established.