

RGCF Q+A – 2025

1. How can I establish contacts with colleagues at Radboud?

If you prepare a short proposal of a couple of sentences about your research area and your ideas for a project and send this to externalrelations-partnershipfunding@glasgow.ac.uk and glasgow@ru.nl then the administrators of the Funds can pass this request along to the relevant department.

Alternatively, many of the collaborations between Radboud and Glasgow colleagues have happened via one person looking through the staff pages of the other institution and getting in touch with staff. You should feel free to reach out to staff directly.

2. Will the Steering Committee still accept application where a larger part of the budget will be spent in one institution as opposed to equally balanced between both? For example, if one institution would like to involve a research assistant in the project.

The Steering Committee will still accept applications which have a more unbalanced budget. However, the Steering Committee will look for a strong justification of why there is a greater expenditure at one institution. The application would also need to demonstrate how the project would lead to an enduring partnership and collaboration when more money is being requested by one institution rather than another, e.g., would the collaboration still endure if the research assistant left the institution?

3. Do the project leads at both institutions need to be staff with a contract?

Yes, both projects leads need to have an active contract of employment with one of the partner institutions (appointed at least 0.5 FTE). If on a fixed term contract, the end date must be beyond the funding period. However, other members of the project do not need to meet this requirement.

Please see section 1 of the Radboud-Glasgow Collaboration Fund 2024-2025 Application Guidelines for the full eligibility requirements.

4. How does the application process work?

Each application needs to have a project lead from both institutions. The project leads fill out one application form together and submit this to both externalrelations-partnershipfunding@glasgow.ac.uk and glasgow@ru.nl. The applications are then peer reviewed by staff at both institutions before being sent to the Steering Committee for its decision.

5. It is possible for project leads who were successful in a previous year to apply again? Either as part of a different collaboration, or in order to take an established

collaboration forward.

Yes, it is possible to re-apply to the fund after being successful in previous years. It is also possible for a Project Lead who is successful in one funding year to apply in a following year as part of a different collaboration.

6. What kinds of teaching projects have been funded and are the Steering Committee looking for?

Previously, learning & teaching projects have focussed on PGT students, but projects can also focus on UG level. Collaborative projects often have an online element and an international classroom element. The Steering Committee is particularly keen to see projects with a focus on teaching innovation, and projects that will provide an international experience to students.

7. Can the money be used to fund mobility for students?

Please see the full list of eligible costs at section 4 of the Radboud-Glasgow Collaboration Fund 2024-2025 Application Guidelines.

The Fund is not designed to offer continuous funding student mobility. Therefore, any application looking at student mobility would need to clearly show the sustainability of the project beyond the initial funding period and clearly demonstrate how the mobilities would be funded in future years. If this can be demonstrated, funding could be used to initiate or prototype a student mobility. However, bear in mind that we are looking for projects that have added value beyond simply initiating a mobility.

8. Is there a preference for research projects or learning & teaching projects?

There is no preference for either, the allocation of funding is always done in response to the quality of the projects.