Global PhDs

Information for partners





The University of St Andrews offers Global PhD programmes with select partners to provide co-tutelles for students in a range of disciplines.

Global PhDs provide framework Agreements to establish policy norms and facilitate effective institutional collaboration.

The Global PhD programme is prioritised for institutional PhD scholarship funding which may be available in any year.

Allows students to:

Benefit from the expertise of two co-supervisors with detailed focus in specific areas of research.

Learn from two different teaching and research approaches.

Profit from the research activities and resources of two internationally recognised institutions and gain insights from established research co-operation.

Develop key skills in two different academic environments.

Supports institutional partnerships by:

- Increasing academic interaction and promoting research collaboration.
- Providing opportunities for supervisors to engage with internal partner research activities.
- Aids overall interaction with colleagues around the world working in similar areas.

Student testimonials:

"I decided to undertake a co-tutelle to profit from the interactions with the academic environment of both the University of St Andrews and the University of Bonn. This agreement gave me the unique opportunity to be part of a larger research group that goes beyond the limitation of a single country."

Stefano, PhD in Philosophy

"I have undertaken a co-tutelle between La Sapienza and St Andrews. I chose a joint PhD programme because it is an opportunity to vary and broaden my research perspectives. The co-operation between the two universities is benefiting my work by giving it a more comprehensive angle."

Elena, PhD in Classics

"I know I am receiving the best possible education in both aspects of my project, whilst also building a network of colleagues across both universities."

Aubrie, PhD in Biology

"I decided to undertake a co-tutelle because it provided the opportunity to work under the supervision of two experts in my research area, as well as gaining access to two institutions working on similar projects. This meant expanding my learning opportunities, research network and generally enriching the experience."

Adrian, PhD in Psychology

"The School of History (at St Andrews) gives me a great historical education with new research perspectives. It fits perfectly with my future department in Bonn and complements the theoretical base of my work. Without the co-tutelle, I would never have encountered these broad perspectives of my subject. Another advantage as a doctoral student is the opportunity to gain teaching experience in two different countries and languages which will be very advantageous to my CV."

Marcel, PhD in History

Current partner institutions for Global PhDs are listed online at:

www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study-abroad/collaborations/pg/research/cotutelle-degrees

St Andrews welcomes interest in developing new Global PhD programmes where research synergies or other collaborative activities exist. Please contact the Global Office for more information at: globalphds@st-andrews.ac.uk



