Edge Hill University



Edge Hill University Global Partnerships

Founded in Liverpool in 1885.
Connected globally.

Welcome

Founded in Liverpool in 1885, Edge Hill University has spent more than 140 years challenging barriers and opening doors through education. That pioneering purpose continues to shape who we are today: a modern, connected UK university committed to excellent teaching, impactful research and partnerships that transform lives and strengthen society.

International collaboration is central to our ambitions. We work with universities, colleges, healthcare organisations, employers, public services and research partners to create high-quality opportunities for students and staff, extend access to education and apply knowledge to real-world challenges.

We believe the strongest partnerships are built around shared purpose, complementary strengths and mutual benefit. They are relationship-led, academically rigorous and designed for the long term. Whether we begin with student mobility, progression, collaborative delivery, professional development or research, our aim is to develop a partnership that reflects the priorities and context of both institutions.

We welcome the opportunity to explore how our institutions can connect people, ideas and places to create lasting educational, social and economic impact.

Professor Kurt Allman
Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Business Development and External Engagement)



Who we are

- Founded in Liverpool in 1885
- More than 140 years of educational heritage
- c.15,000 students
- 62% of research outputs world-leading or internationally excellent (REF 2021)
- 96.2% of graduates in work or further study within 15 months (Graduate Outcomes data released 2025)

Edge Hill combines strong regional roots with an outward-looking mission. Our work connects Lancashire, Liverpool City Region and Greater Manchester with partners, students and researchers around the world.

Our current collaborative academic activity includes international delivery and progression relationships in India, Sri Lanka, China, Spain and Vietnam, alongside specialist partnerships with universities, healthcare providers, professional bodies and colleges in the UK.

Students can access mobility opportunities through partner institutions across Europe, North America and East Asia, whilst our researchers contribute to international collaborations addressing health, sustainability, technology, education, society and culture.

Our awards

4th in the UK overall
(Uni Compare UK Universities rankings 2027)

1st in the UK
for accommodation for three years running
(Uni Compare UK Universities rankings 2027)

University of the Year
for Student Experience
(Daily Mail University Guide 2026)

Outstanding
Initial Teaching Education
(Ofsted 2024)

£350 million invested in our campus
and student experience in the past 15 years













State of the art facilities

Working with businesses and organisations

We work with private, public and third sector organisations to address real-world challenges, develop workforce skills, and turn research into practical impact. Our partnerships span health, education, local government, business, industry and the voluntary sector, helping to strengthen services, inform policy, support innovation and create more resilient communities.

Our collaborative activities include professional training, consultancy, research, evaluation, and commercialisation opportunities. We have particular expertise in health and social care, education, business growth, sport, the creative industries and sustainability.

By bringing together expertise across disciplines, we help organisations build capability, improve performance and apply specialist knowledge in areas such as mental health, children and young people's services, business productivity and AI integration.

Through collaboration, we connect research, expertise and innovation with real-world needs, delivering benefits for individuals, organisations and society.



Our research has impact

Mental Health

Features research projects aiming to tackle the UK's mental health crisis in a range of areas including Arts4Us and Arts for the Blues work boosting wellbeing with arts activities & arts therapies, GreenMe's work on social prescribing and nature based interventions, and the Sport Faculty's work promoting wellbeing through physical activity. We have work in the Faculty of Education in particular that's working with Sport England, Mind, and Everton in the Community to develop mental health strategies to improve mental health through school sport programmes.

Children & Young People

Intersects with Mental Health. CASES project findings have informed EPAS and the Council of Europe on sport safeguarding regulation. We also have projects like ISupport that are improving children's health literacy through practitioner standards delivered to practitioners in NHS trusts and abroad.

Economic Growth

Productivity and Innovation Centre drives this theme most prominently. The SME Growth Observatory has supported over 300 SMEs through its diagnostic model, with impact on turnover and job counts, and has been engaging with regional policy makers on the LCRCA growth plan.

AI & Cyber-security

Number of subsidiary themes in our AI research include applications of AI research in health, agriculture, cybersecurity, and robotics and autonomous vehicles. AI researchers are collaborating with health trusts, industry, and policymakers to support policy and practice through innovative data-driven solutions.

Workforce Development

Education faculty is driving workforce development through research informed improvements to teacher cohort training. The faculty have helped develop new workforce standards collaborating with CIMSPA and Mind's safe and effective practice on physical activity and mental health provision.

Why partner with Edge Hill University?

As a partner we can offer:

Applied academic expertise
Our academics combine research, teaching and professional practice, connecting curricula to employers, public services and contemporary global challenges.

Quality and standards
Collaborative provision is supported by formal due diligence, academic approval, clear governance, monitoring and periodic review.

Research with real-world impact
Our research and knowledge exchange activity is shaped by collaboration and focused on delivering social, economic, professional and cultural benefit.

Relationship-led delivery
Partners work with named academic and professional contacts, supported by joint planning, transparent communication and regular review.

Flexible models
We can explore progression, advanced standing, collaborative delivery, mobility, short programmes, professional development and research collaboration.



Our academic expertise

As a partner, you can benefit from our academic strengths in a number of areas including:

Education, teaching and childhood

Teacher education, educational leadership, early years, inclusion and special educational needs, curriculum development and continuing professional learning.

Health, medicine and wellbeing

Nursing, allied health, medicine, clinical practice, public health, mental health, nutrition, palliative care and professional development for the healthcare workforce.

Biosciences and global health

Biology, biomedical science, biotechnology, ecology, conservation, infectious disease, medical entomology and translational health research.

Business, law and leadership

Business and management, marketing, accounting and finance, human resource management, international business, law, leadership and entrepreneurship.

Computing, AI and digital innovation

Computer science, artificial intelligence, robotics, data science, software engineering, cyber security, visual computing and digital transformation.

Arts, humanities and social sciences

Creative and performing arts, media, film, English, history, politics, sociology, psychology, criminology and applied social research.

Sport and physical activity

Sport and exercise science, coaching, physical education, performance, wellbeing, community sport and safeguarding.

Professional and work-based learning

Flexible, practice-oriented education developed with employers, professional bodies and public-service organisations.









How we can work together

There are a wide range of mutually beneficial ways you can work with us, creating opportunities to connect students, academics and ideas.

Articulation and advanced standing

Curriculum mapping establishes an agreed route for students who complete a specified programme at the partner institution to enter an appropriate stage of an Edge Hill award.

Progression agreements

Qualified students from a partner institution receive a defined route to apply for an Edge Hill programme, with entry requirements and application arrangements agreed in advance.

Collaborative and franchise delivery

An approved Edge Hill curriculum, or agreed elements of it, is delivered with or by a partner institution under formal academic, quality and contractual arrangements.

Supported learning and overseas delivery

Learning may be supported through a partner location, local teaching or blended delivery, subject to programme design, regulatory requirements and formal approval.

Student exchange and study abroad

Reciprocal or fee-paying mobility can provide semester, full-year, subject-specific or short-term academic experiences, with credit transfer agreed where appropriate.

Summer schools and short programmes

Bespoke or open-enrolment programmes can combine subject learning, professional development, English language, culture and international experience.

Staff mobility and capacity-building

Opportunities may include guest teaching, curriculum development, staff shadowing, leadership development, quality workshops and academic mentoring.

Research and knowledge exchange

Institutions can collaborate through joint research, doctoral activity, conferences, professional networks, consultancy, innovation and public engagement.



Our global connections

We have existing connections across the world, including collaborative academic provision with partners in India, Sri Lanka, China, Spain and Vietnam. Our study abroad and student exchange opportunities extend across Europe, North America, China, Japan and South Korea. Researchers from Edge Hill University work with institutions, public bodies and industry partners across Europe, Asia and other regions. In addition, our international activity is supported by strong links with the education, healthcare, cultural, public-service and business ecosystems of the North West of England.

Partnerships in practice

Van Lang University, Vietnam

Edge Hill's academic partnership with Van Lang University includes franchise delivery in Software Engineering and International Business, combining complementary academic provision with access to an Edge Hill curriculum. This connects local delivery, in subject areas of strong demand, with UK academic standards alongside opportunities for academic liaison and curriculum development.

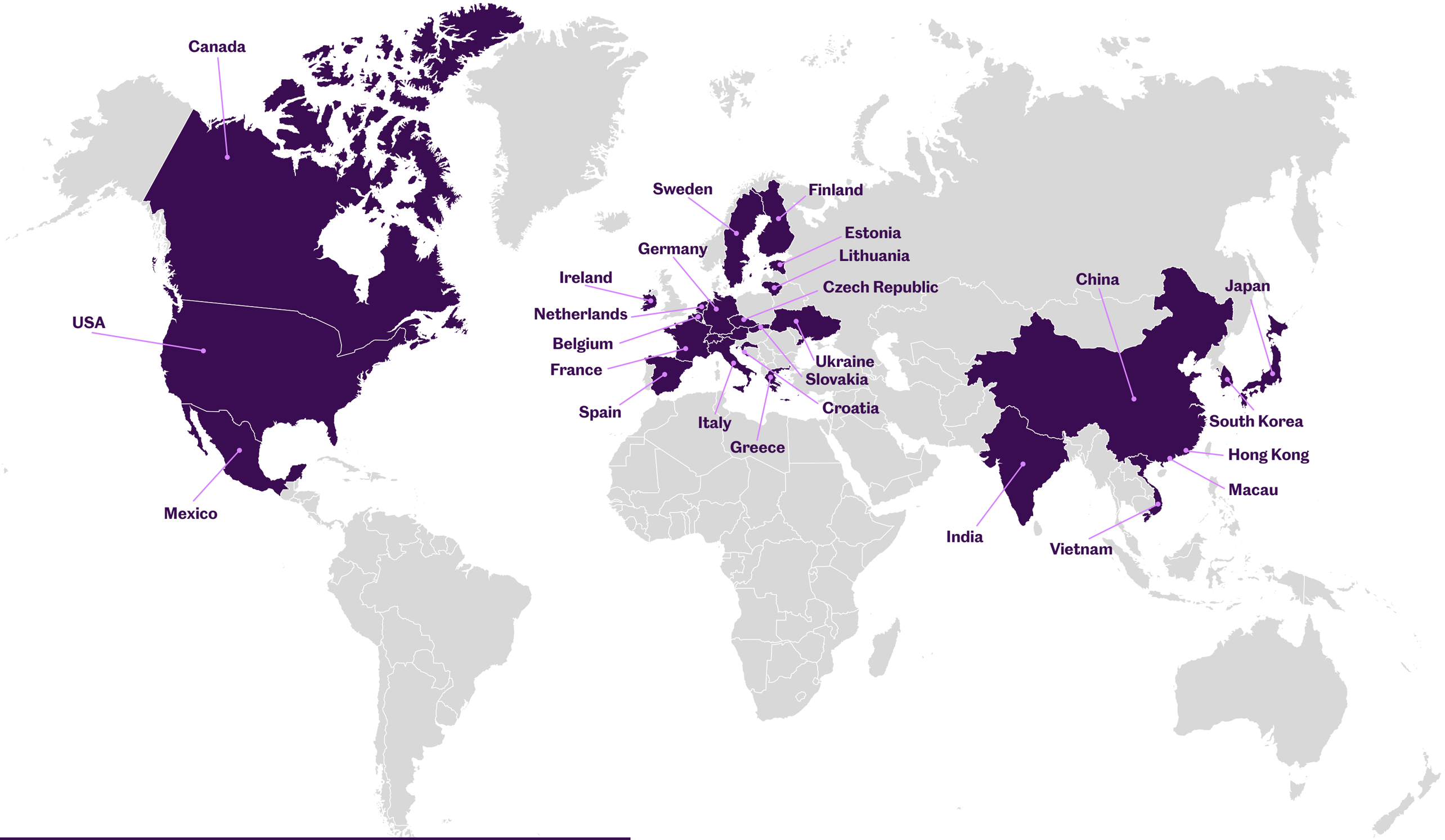
Academy of Maritime Education and Training, India

Working with Academy of Maritime Education and Training, we offer approved advanced-standing routes to enable eligible students to enter Level 6 of selected Edge Hill programmes in Data Science, Robotics and Artificial Intelligence, and Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence. This offers clear progression routes in high-growth digital disciplines and is a pathway from local study to an Edge Hill award, with the potential for further study at postgraduate level.

Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, Liverpool UK

Edge Hill and Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine have developed a distinctive collaboration in global infectious disease education. The relationship combines Edge Hill's student-centred approach and biosciences capability with specialist expertise and facilities in infectious disease research. Playing to the academic and research strengths of both partners, this collaboration focuses on urgent global health challenges and has the potential for wider research and international engagement.





Our global impact

How to become a partner

Your journey to becoming a partner with us starts with an initial conversation, where we will discuss your institutional priorities, areas of interest, intended students and desired outcomes. After this, we will consider strategic elements such as academic alignment, mutual benefit, demand, local context, scale and practical feasibility. Next, a four-stage plan will be developed that includes:

Academic and business development

This is where we will map curricula, agree the delivery model, assess resources and develop an operating and financial plan.

Due diligence and approval

At this point we will complete an institutional, academic, regulatory, legal, financial and risk consideration.

Agreement and implementation

This is the finalisation of contracts, governance, staff preparation, systems, communications and student information.

Delivery and development

The final stage is an ongoing monitoring of quality and outcomes, addressing emerging issues and identifying opportunities to deepen the relationship.

The best of three worlds

Uniquely placed right in the heart of the North West, in the middle of three exciting and thriving regions – Lancashire, Liverpool City Region and Greater Manchester.

Lancashire

Welcoming regional setting for study, community engagement and support.

Liverpool

A major cultural, business and visitor destination with international recognition.

Manchester

One of the UK's largest city regions, offering extensive professional and sector connections.









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