

AHRC Capability for Collections at UCL

**Collections-focussed optical and x-ray
spectroscopic imaging and analysis**

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Description



Impact

- New EPSRC CASE PhD student
- Collaborations within UCL
 - UCL Culture, UCL Libraries, UCL Centre for Digital Humanities, UCL Institute of Archaeology, UCL Medical Physics
- Collaborations external to UCL
 - HRP, V&A, Tate, British Museum
- New grant applications
 - Multimodal imaging, moisture in buildings
- MSc teaching
 - Heritage Imaging and MSc projects

Challenges

- Tight deadline for delivery
- Installation and training during covid
- Need to find funding for technicians to manage system
- Funding for staff to use the system
- 100% FEC is good, but no overheads means no return to centre –our financial model gives disincentives for equipment-only purchases
- Developing sustainable funding models for sharing equipment with other users