Global Futures Collection

1.01 — Global Futures Magazine

Origin: The University of Manchester

Description: A copy of Global Futures magazine, highlighting the Faculty's international engagements, research impact, and global partnerships.

1.02 - Plaque with clock

Origin: Jakarta, Indonesia

Description: This plaque commemorates the Faculty's partnership focused on expanding Indonesians' access to mental health services. The partnership supports research into culturally adapted treatments for anxiety and depression to expand access to mental health services and improve care delivery.

1.03 - Sage green teacups (2)

Origin: Chongqing, China

Description: To commemorate the beginning of the developing academic partnership, a pair of porcelain teacups were gifted. The cups symbolise the value of hospitality, communication, and future cooperation in Chinese culture.

1.04 - Carved flower art

Origin: Zhejiang, China

Description: Intricately carved flower designs that showcase Zhejiang's long-standing artistic heritage and skill. Given in appreciation of the Faculty's international collaboration and intellectual exchange, including the International Summer Schools.

2.01 – Kuwaiti Dhow Model

Origin: Kuwait

Description: A model of a traditional Kuwaiti dhow, reflecting Kuwait's rich history of deep-sea trade and pearling, long reliant on these sailing vessels. Gifted to commemorate the teaching partnership between the Faculty and Kuwait, through which 100 students each year travel to Manchester to train in Medicine, Dentistry and Pharmacy.

2.02 – Ashtray

Origin: Mansoura, Egypt

Description: In honour of the long-standing collaboration between Mansoura and the Faculty, the Dean of Pharmacy donated a decorative ornament. The collaboration has supported healthcare education and professional training in Egypt that is helping to address the deficits in healthcare workers in Africa and the Middle East.

2.03 – Glass clock

Origin: Medina, Saudi Arabia

Description: This gift commemorates a teaching partnership between Manchester and Saudi Arabia, which enabled academic staff in Taibah to develop their expertise in medical education. The collaboration contributed to establishing a new curriculum while maintaining the importance of regional social and cultural factors in medical practice.

2.04 – Patterned fan

Origin: Shandong, China

Description: Fan celebrating the 110th anniversary of Shandong First Medical University. Presented in recognition of the International Summer Schools attended by students from Shandong First Medical University.

2.05 – Wooden plaque

Origin: Nanjing, China

Description: A wooden commemorative plaque honouring Nanjing Medical University and the Faculty's more than 14 years of cooperation. Research partnerships in biological and health sciences, student exchange opportunities, and visiting scholars have all been part of the collaborative effort.

3.01 – Egyptian Porcelain plate

Origin: Alexandria, Egypt

Description: Through the Faculty's collaboration with Alexandria University in Egypt, a commemorative porcelain plate was gifted. The partnership has supported the creation of integrated approaches to healthcare education and workforce training, with an emphasis on medical and dental education.

3.02 – Glass paperweight

Origin: Tokyo, Japan

Description: During research and PhD student exchange discussions with partners at the University of Tokyo, a decorative glass paperweight was gifted. The artwork represents professional cooperation, knowledge exchange, and the development of global research and educational ties.

3.03 – Wood carved display

Origin: Zhongshan, China

Description: This gift showcases traditional Chinese craftsmanship and cultural history. The piece commemorates ongoing international collaboration within teaching and research.

3.04 – Vertical tapestry scroll

Origin: Nanjing, China

Description: Ornamental hanging scroll with themes and styles from traditional Chinese painting. Gifted in honour of Nanjing Medical University and the Faculty's research and teaching partnership.

4.01 – Framed plaque

Origin: Mansoura, Egypt

Description: Manchester and Mansoura University have been collaborators for more than 20 years, and this framed plaque commemorates that partnership. Over 3,000 medical students were trained due to a licensed degree program that adapted Manchester's curriculum to meet local educational needs. This contributed to establishing Mansoura as a leading centre for healthcare education in North Africa and the Middle East.

4.02 – Vanilla bird decoration (swallow)

Origin: Ternopil, Ukraine

Description: The swallow is a deeply revered symbol in Ukrainian culture, representing spring, rebirth and hope. This decoration commemorates a partnership with Ternopil National Medical University, which has supported the continuation of medical and healthcare education amid the ongoing conflict in Ukraine.

4.03 – Malaysian flag plaque

Origin: Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Description: Sculpted representation of the Malaysian flag. Gifted to celebrate the Faculty's partnership with the International Medical University that trains medical students

4.04 – Framed picture

Origin: Jilin, China

Description: This framed portrait honours the long-standing partnership with Jilin University that has supported international educational exchange and cooperation through student summer schools and progression agreements that allow Jilin University Life Sciences students to join the 2nd year SBS programmes.

4.05 – Rain flower stone acrylic

Origin: Nanjing, China

Description: A traditional Nanjing rain flower stone, renowned for its natural patterns and cultural importance, is featured in this decorative acrylic display. Gifted as a token of appreciation for continued research and teaching cooperation with the Faculty.

4.06 – Red teacup

Origin: Shanghai, China

Description: Chinese cultural elements of prosperity, festivities, and hospitality are reflected in this traditional red porcelain teacup. Presented to the Faculty by Fudan University for the role it plays in global academic exchange.