

UCL Men's Rugby – Head Coach

(2026/27 Season)

Following one of the most successful seasons in the club's history, UCL Men's Rugby is looking to appoint a Head Coach for the 2026/27 season.

This is an exciting opportunity to lead an ambitious programme, working with talented student-athletes in a high-performance environment.

We play an ambitious, high-tempo and attack-minded brand of rugby, encouraging players to use their skills and play with confidence. Alongside a competitive environment, we're looking for a coach who values strong culture and the wider university experience. UCL Men's Rugby is more than just results, it's a community.



Why UCL Men's Rugby?

This season we achieved:

- 6th consecutive Varsity victory over KCL in front of more than 3,000 spectators. This year we aim to achieve the same again as we push capacity to 4,000+
- Celestial 7s Capital Cup Champions, showing our status as London's leading university rugby club.
- Promotion for both the 1st XV and 2nd XV.
- South East BUCS Cup winners with the 2nd XV.
- Winners of UCL's Most Improved Club Award and secured our place in the UCL High Performance Programme.

The Role - The Head Coach will lead the Men's 1st XV programme, overseeing coaching and player development, while helping shape the wider direction of the club. Working alongside the committee and Assistant Coach, you'll create an environment that challenges players to perform at their best while maintaining the inclusive and enjoyable culture that defines UCL Men's Rugby.

Key Responsibilities

- Lead the coaching and performance of the Men's 1st XV.
- Plan and deliver engaging, high-quality training sessions.
- Coach the team on BUCS match days.
- Support player development on and off the pitch.

Training (Regent's Park):

- Sunday: 2:00pm–4:00pm
- Tuesday: 8:00am–9:00am (attendance optional)

BUCS fixtures are played on Wednesdays. The successful candidate will attend home fixtures, though attendance to away fixtures is desirable.

Remuneration

- £60/hour for coaching sessions and meetings.
- £100 per match day.

The role is offered on a self-employed basis.

Necessary

We're looking for someone who:

- Holds an England Rugby Coaching Award (or Level 2 equivalent).
- Has experience coaching senior rugby
- Shares our ambition to build one of the country's leading university rugby programmes.

Desirable

The ideal candidate will also have:

- Experience playing rugby at a high, semi-professional or professional level.
- Previous experience coaching or playing within a university rugby environment.
- An understanding of strength and conditioning, with the ability to work collaboratively with UCL's Strength & Conditioning team to support player development and performance.

Application

Please send a CV and short covering letter outlining your experience, interest in the role and the style of rugby you as a coach are most excited by.

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