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Simon Phillips is Head of Philanthropy (Asia) at the University of Manchester and is one of only two development officers from a UK university permanently based in Hong Kong. In this role, Simon is responsible for Manchester's major gift fundraising throughout Hong Kong, China, and Southeast Asia, where the University has significant numbers of alumni. He works with the close support of a philanthropic board in Hong Kong.

Prior to his appointment with Manchester in 2018, Simon was Head of Development at the German Swiss International School in Hong Kong, where he led on fundraising for a multimillion-pound campus redevelopment campaign. His experience in this position ranged across major gift fundraising, parent and alumni committee management, gala event delivery, and relationship building within a diverse and multicultural international school community.

With over fifteen years' experience in fundraising, Simon began his career in the UK charitable sector before moving to the development office of University College London (UCL). He has lived in Hong Kong since 2013.

