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In what should reflect China's growing influence in Uganda, Makerere University has announced plans to start teaching Chinese language as a subject graded academically.

The University's Public Relations officer, Rita Namisango says Makerere has entered a partnership with Xiangtan University in China to provide the necessary support to teach Chinese.

She says Xiangtan university of the people's republic of China signed an agreement of cooperation to enhance education and research in fields of interest between Uganda and China.

Among the activities to be jointly done are exchange of staff to promote knowledge, exchange of information and academic publications, as well as conducting joint research.

Namisango reveals that the Chinese government will fund all the activities between the two institutions. She says the first group of students will leave Uganda for master degrees in chemical and petroleum engineering at the China University.

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