

Western Research

For Fiscal 2020-2021

Total RSF Funding for 2020-2021: \$11,783,113

Eligible expense category	Institutional performance objective	Indicator	Output	Outcomes reported at 2021 YE
Research Facilities Funding allocation: \$5,485,266	Maintain state-of-the-art research infrastructure. Create centralized resources for the research community.	Creation of research facilities. Reduction in deferred maintenance. More efficient operations.	Support and create core research facilities, which serve scholars, students and trainees.	Western has leveraged RSF funds during the fiscal year toward the initiation of construction of the Biomedical Research Facility, a 3-story 46,000 sq. ft. building that will be added research space for the Schulich school of Medicine and Dentistry.
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Research Resources Funding allocation: \$904,999	Provide researchers with comprehensive access to citation indices to increase collaboration and facilitate literature searches.	Ability to measure both STEM and Social Science Arts & Humanities (SSAH) research impacts.	Purchase bibliometric software and provide training and impact reports.	Western continues to invest in InCites as its bibliometric software with Western Research employing staff members to maximize benefits from the software, while assisting researchers with data-driven metrics to strategically measure their research outcomes and impacts.

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Management & Administration of an Institutions Research Enterprise: \$4,161,479	Provide high-quality, timely, efficient services that lessen time burden of research administration for university researchers.	Increased researcher productivity.	Salary support for research administration, accounting professionals, and for the IT services to facilitate the work.	Western continues to utilize the RSF support for Western Research's activities, which provide a professional, service-oriented culture to the University's researchers. In the past year, this has provided support for new roles including a new Executive Director and provided continued support to various teams supporting research including research development, facilitation, contracts & agreements, and communications. Western has also instantiated several new collaborative multidisciplinary Research Institutes.
	At the faculty level, provide scholars with assistance with proposal writing, finance, grants management and human resources management	Number of faculty-based research officers.	Salary support for faculty-based research officers.	The Faculties continue to employ 14 Research Officers to support scholars and researchers in the effective management of their research programs. Furthermore, RSF contributes to administrative staff who support research centres and groups on campus.

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<p>Regulatory Requirements and Accreditation: \$666,354</p>	<p>Regulatory compliance with animal care. Animal Ethics: Ensure there is sufficient administrative personnel to support the Animal Care Committee and its function.</p> <p>Ensure there is sufficient IT support in order to facilitate both animal care and ethics city wide mandate</p> <p>Human Ethics: Ensure there is sufficient administrative personnel support to facilitate Western's Research Ethics Boards (REB) manage the approval and monitoring process for research involving human participants.</p>	<p>Improved turnaround times and minimizes delays in research start-up for faculty, staff and students while continuing to adhere to Provincial, Federal, and International guidelines.</p> <p>Maintain accreditation with federal standards administered by the <i>Canadian Council on Animal Care (CCAC)</i> and the Ontario <i>Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA)</i>.</p> <p>Software will streamline business processes across the animal care and ethics program and eliminate stand-alone systems and paper-based processes and records.</p> <p>Improved turnaround times and minimize delays in research start up for faculty, staff and students while continuing to adhere to provincial, federal, and international guidelines.</p>	<p>Financial support for research ethics personnel.</p> <p>IT infrastructure salary support and training for research personnel</p> <p>Financial support for research ethics personnel.</p>	<p>Successful compliance and ongoing certification with internal, Federal and provincial animal care governance/regulatory bodies.</p> <p>Support for committee chairs and administrative personnel supporting the animal care committee.</p> <p>Continued support to Human Research Ethics personnel.</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;">Intellectual Property: \$565,014</p>	<p>Support commercialization and Entrepreneurship related activities including programming, events, spin-off and SME company support, technology licensing, patent filings and maintenance, marketing, agreements with third parties and direct-to market sales.</p>	<p>Maintenance and growth in number of active licenses/options/commercialization agreements to established or spinoff companies or through direct-to market sales.</p>	<p>Salary support for highly qualified business development managers and administrative support, events and programming, various matchmaking and partnership platforms, databases and direct to market sales activities.</p>	<p>Remains one of the top 10 business development offices in Canada. WORLDdiscoveries engaged hundreds of faculty, staff, students and community members through various networking events and programs.</p>