

2023 SMU RESEARCH RECOGNITION RECEPTION

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and the FGSR Research
Office team



**Saint Mary's
University**

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- Thank you for all coming this afternoon to join us in recognizing research success of so many Saint Mary's colleagues!
- SMU faculty are active in many areas of scholarship – not all of which require external funding to support ...
- Today is just one of several ways we have (and will) join together to share and celebrate SMU research and researchers:
 - **Annual SMU Research Expo** (March)
 - **3 Minute Thesis competition** (grad students – winter)
 - **Events within Faculties** (Arts, Science, Sobey School)



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- That said...
Obtaining external funding to support research:
 - **is not easy!**
 - **is a recognition by outside peers/experts that the research is of high quality – winning funding in a competitive environment**
 - **provides the means to hire and support/fund student researchers (undergrad, grad) and postdocs, technical staff**
 - **constitutes a key measure used in many overall university rankings**
 - **is worthy of recognition!**



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- Today marks the 6th Annual recognition of ALL faculty members who have received External Funds in Support of Research from **SEPTEMBER 2022 – SEPTEMBER 2023**

(including co-PI's that have had money transferred to SMU)

- Funding from these sources:
 - Canada Research Chair program
 - SSHRC, NSERC, CIHR research grant programs
 - SSHRC, NSERC Partnership Programs
 - a wide variety of other provincial and federal agencies, and direct research contracts with companies/organizations



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- Before getting to those recognitions, I wanted to be sure to both

Recognize and Thank

the *FGSR Research Office team* for all their help putting this together (and supporting the research efforts of those faculty being recognized today),
and

Introduce (or re-introduce) them to you (even if they aren't here!) ..



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- *FGSR Research Office team*

Shane Costantino (*Assistant to the Dean*)

Vanisa Omicevic (*Research Office Assistant*)

Marlene Ramos (*Research Grants Officer - RGO*)

Kevin Buchan (*Director, Office of Innovation & Comm. Engagement*)

Danielle Goodfellow (*Industry Liaison Officer, OICE*)

Ray MacNeil (*CLARI Network Manager – community-engaged research*)

Orshy Torok (*Research Ethics Officer*)

Emily Allen (*Aquatic Facility Manager / Animal Care Committee Coordinator*)

..and the support received from Financial Planning & Analysis (FP & A) to manage the financial aspects of this growing (as you'll see!) amount of \$ flowing in from external sources:



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- FP&A Research Accounting team:

Nikki Cygnot (*Manager, Financial Reporting and Accounting*)

Marcia Kissner (*Supervisor, Financial Reporting and Accounting*)

Paul Walker (*Accountant Analyst, Financial Reporting and Accounting*)

Annelie Vandenberg (*Acting Supervisor, Payment Services – P2P*)

NOTE: we may have missed one/some grants or contracts of professors who actually received \$ during this year ... If this happens: (1) Sorry!! (2) Please email me after and I'll update this presentation for our FGSR webposting.



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RGO	81	\$4,073,900
OICE	123	\$7,801,804
Total	210	\$12,575,704

Plus Other Funding (giving around **\$14.1 Million**, all together)

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<p>“RSF” is way Tri-Agencies provide support for the “indirect costs of research” (or “overhead”) back to universities, based on the grants give that cover “direct costs of research” ... See our public accountability site: www.smu.ca/fgsr/fgsr-research-support-fund.html</p> <p>Other research grants/contracts outside Tri-Agencies provide this support for indirect costs via an “overhead payment” to SMU when providing these grants/contracts ... See our FAQ page: www.smu.ca/fgsr/fgsr/grants-agreements-faq-for-faculty.html</p>		

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(CRCs not included in this table)

Faculty	# Faculty Members			Total Funding		
	2021-22	2022-23	1 yr % Change	2021-22	2022-23	1 yr % Change
ARTS	18	14	-22.2%	\$1,799,033	\$4,389,525	144.0%
BUSINESS	28	33	17.9%	\$1,437,373	\$1,405,173	-2.2%
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Comparison to Last year – by “Kind”
(CRC, Tri-Agency via RGO, contract/partner via OICE)

Facilitated By:	# Grants/Contracts			Total Funding		
	2021-22	2022-23	1 yr % Change	2021-22	2022-23	1 yr % Change
CRC	8	6	-25.0%	\$890,000	\$700,000	-21.3%
RGO	82	81	-1.2%	\$3,462,270	\$4,073,900	17.7%
OICE	140	123	-12.1%	\$5,710,997	\$7,801,804	36.6%
Total	230	210	-8.7%	\$10,063,267	\$12,575,704	25.0%



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Comparison to 5 Years ago – by Faculty (Arts, Sobey School of Business, Science)
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Faculty	# Faculty Members			Total Funding		
	2017-18	2022-23	5 yr % Change	2017-18	2022-23	5 yr % Change
ARTS	14	14	0.0%	\$1,051,519	\$4,389,525	317.4%
BUSINESS	16	33	106.3%	\$865,652	\$1,405,173	62.3%
SCIENCE	43	52	20.9%	\$3,374,734	\$6,081,006	80.2%
Total	73	99	35.6%	\$5,291,905	\$11,875,704	124.4%

