

2024-25 RESEARCH SUPPORT FUND PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

Eligible Expenditure Category	Output	Performance Objectives	Indicator	Target Outcome
Research facilities	Projected: 2.1 % of RSF grant invested to support the maintenance of research facilities.	Support remote research facilities.	Maintain access to the facility.	Maintain or increase the number of researchers accessing the facility in 2024/25 as compared to 2023/24
		Provide research operating equipment support by funding a portion of the liquid nitrogen materials and supplies cost.	Number of researchers who benefit from the purchase of liquid nitrogen used to support research equipment	Maintain or increase the volume of liquid nitrogen used to support research activities.
Research Resources	Projected: 12.2% of RSF grant invested to support electronic databases in support of research activities.	Provide access to research resources for faculty and staff such as databases and electronic journals.	Provide access to Canadian Research Knowledge Network (CRKN).	Maintain access to the CRKN.
Management and administration of the institution's research enterprise	Projected: 41.0% of RSF grant invested in administrative supports for uLethbridge's research community.	Provide research administrative support for pre- and post-award activities.	Transition of paper-based research administration processes to electronic platforms.	Implement a research management system. Maintain or increase the number of grant applications submitted in 2024/25 as compared to 2023/24.
Regulatory requirements and accreditation	Projected: 40.3% of RSF grant invested to maintain compliance with regulatory standards.	Continued vigilance and oversight of regulatory requirements.	Provide animal husbandry support in the aquatic and rodent research facilities.	Maintain or increase the number of research ethics protocols, annual reviews, and amendments processed in 2024/25 compared to 2023/24.
				Maintain CCAC accreditation and Certificate of Good Animal Practice
				Maintain or increase the number of researchers and students completing the animal research ethics training courses and/or students trained in hand-on animal handling.

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Intellectual Property	Projected: 4.4% of RSF grant invested to increase research partnerships and commercialization activities.	Continued support by Office of Research and Innovation Services for administration of agreements and partnerships with industry and support for the creation of spin-off companies.	Improved services and opportunities offered to researchers to build partnerships with external stakeholders	Increase or maintain research collaborations and partnerships with industry. Development of templates and other supports to facilitate commercialization activities.