

# 2024 SMU RESEARCH RECOGNITION RECEPTION

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*(Associate VP Research /  
Dean of Grad Studies & Research)*

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... let me give my annual reminder ....  
**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 7<sup>th</sup> Annual recognition of ALL faculty members who have received External Funds in Support of Research from **SEPTEMBER 2023 – SEPTEMBER 2024**

*(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*)

**Caila Henderson** (*Aquatic Facility Mgr / Animal Care Comm Coordinator*)

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*..and the support received from Financial Planning & Analysis  
(FP & A) to manage the financial aspects of this continuing large  
amount of \$ flowing in from external sources:*



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- FP&A Research Accounting team:

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

**Paula Walker** (*Senior Research Accountant, Financial Reporting and Accounting*)

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*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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<b>RGO</b>	115	\$4,771,383
<b>OICE</b>	112	\$6,047,946
<b>Total</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>\$11,419,329</b>

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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: <a href="http://www.smu.ca/fgsr/fgsr/grants-agreements-faq-for-faculty.html">www.smu.ca/fgsr/fgsr/grants-agreements-faq-for-faculty.html</a>	9	

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Comparison to Last year – by Faculty (Arts, Sobey School of Business, Science)  
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Faculty	# Faculty Members			Total Funding		
	2022-23	2023-24	1 yr % Change	2022-23	2023-24	1 yr % Change
ARTS	14	21	50.0%	\$4,389,525	\$2,944,861	-32.9%
BUSINESS	33	33	0.0%	\$1,455,173	\$1,664,678	14.4%
SCIENCE	52	62	19.2%	\$6,081,006	\$6,209,790	2.1%
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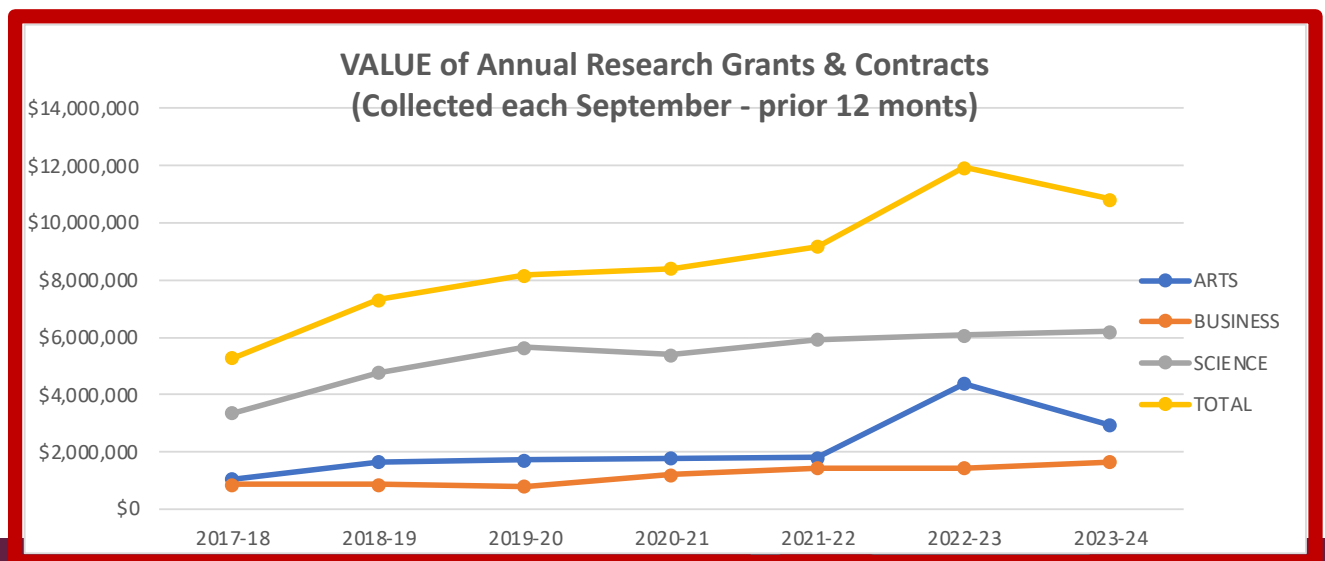
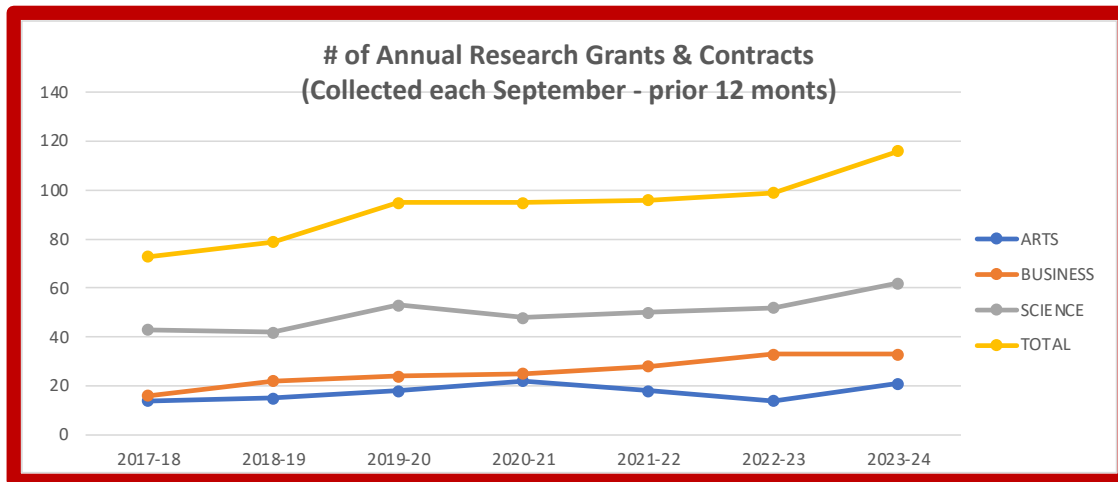
Comparison to Last year – by “Kind”  
(CRC, Tri-Agency via RGO, contract/partner via OICE)

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Charting 7 year progression – by Faculty (Arts, Sobey School of Business, Science)  
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## Research Ethics Board Members

Name	Faculty	Department	Type of Member
Rhoda Adeyemi	Arts	International Master of Teaching English	Graduate Student
Mark Barr	Arts	English	Faculty
Michele Byers	Arts	Women & Gender Studies	Faculty
Jim Cameron	Science	Psychology	Faculty
Leanna Closson	Science	Psychology	Faculty
Leesa Hamilton	NSCAD	Textiles and Fashion	Faculty
John Boddie	N/A	N/A	Community
Myles Davidson	Science	Psychology	Graduate Student
Maryam Dilmaghani	Sobey School of Business	Economics	Faculty
Mathew Reichertz	NSCAD	Drawing Lab	Faculty
Nicolas Roulin	Science	Psychology	Faculty
Marcus Sibley	Arts	Criminology	Faculty
Mark Fleming	Science	Psychology	Faculty
Mary Sheppard	Science	Chemistry	Faculty
Min-Jung Kwak	Arts	Geography & Environmental Studies	Faculty
Tatjana Takseva	Arts	English	Faculty
Arla Day	Science	Psychology	Faculty
Hao Lu	Sobey School of Business	Management	Faculty
Luke MacDonald	Science	Engineering	Faculty
Darrell Varga	NSCAD	Art and History Contemporary Culture	Faculty
Ron Russell	Science	Biology	Faculty
Theodore Lownie	Science	Applied Science	Graduate Student
Orshy Torok	Graduate Studies & Research	Research Ethics	Staff
Megan Walsh	Sobey School of Business	Management	Faculty

## Animal Care Committee

Name	Department/Affiliation	Position	Term
Susan Bjornson	Biology	Committee Chair	Jan 2023 – Dec 2025
Jim Gillis	Bedford Highway Veterinary Hospital	Consulting Veterinarian	On-going
Caila Henderson	Faculty of Science	Animal Care Coordinator/Aquatic Facility Manager (ex-officio)	On-going
Anne Dalziel	Biology	SMU Faculty Member experienced in animal-based research	Jan 2023 – Jan 2025 (at term limit)
Michelle Patriquin	Biology	SMU Faculty Member whose research activities do not involve or depend on the use of animals.	Nov 2022 – Nov 2025 (renewable)
Kevin Shaughnessy	Biology	MSVU Faculty Member	Sept 2022 – Sept 2025 (renewable)
MacAulay Harvey	Chemistry	SMU Graduate Student	Sept 2024 – Sept 2025 (renewable)
Heather McKinnon Ramshaw	Resident of Halifax County	Community Member	Oct 2023 – Oct 2026 (renewable)