

Summary

Research Infosource, a company that specializes in providing research and development intelligence, released their annual Canada's Top 50 Research Universities on January 25, 2022. The University of Saskatchewan (USask) ranked 12th overall, dropping one position over last year. The University of Toronto continued to remain the top ranked university, followed by University of British Columbia, McGill University, Universite de Montreal, and University of Calgary. While University of Toronto's annual research revenue topped \$1.2 billion, revenues for the other four schools in the Top 5 were in most cases less than half that amount, approximately between \$450-\$650 million.

The Canada's Top 50 Research Universities ranking is based on total sponsored research income which refers to all funds to support research received in the form of a grant, contribution, or contract from all sources external to the institution. The 2021 ranking was based on financial data for the 2019-2020 fiscal year obtained from Statistics Canada. Information on the 2021 results is available here: https://researchinfosource.com/top-50-research-universities/2021/list.

University of Saskatchewan Details

According to the Canada's Top 50 Research Universities rankings, USask had a total sponsored research income of \$223,328,000. The revenue for this year dropped slightly from prior year which was a historical high for USask. The actual drop was 8.3%, which was the second lowest change amongst the 16 schools in the medical tier group, only ahead of University of Alberta. Over the most recent ten years, USask has consistently ranked between 11 and 14 overall in terms of total research revenue.



In addition to the overall "Top 50 Research Universities" ranking, Research Infosource also publishes secondary ranking tables pertaining to Research Universities of the Year, Corporate Research Income, and Not-for-Profit Research Income.

The Research Universities of the Year ranking takes into account a number of factors including total sponsored research income (20%), research intensity per faculty (20%), research intensity per graduate student (10%), total number of publications (20%), publication intensity (20%), and publication impact (10%). USask was once again ranked 11th nationally in this table (out of 48) with a total score of 42.4 out of 100. In terms of the individual indicators, USask again performed the best in research intensity per graduate student, positioned 3rd in the country. Other rankings were 11th in research



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intensity per faculty, 12th in total sponsored research income, 14th in each of publication intensity and total number of publications, and 23rd in publication impact. Our ranking has consistently been lowest in this last indicator measuring impact. Further information on the *Research Universities of the Year* ranking is available here: https://researchinfosource.com/pdf/2021RUYAllUniversities.pdf.

The Corporate Research Income ranking tables pertain to research income from corporate sourced grants and contracts to assess the magnitude of activity in this area. Of the medical tier group of 16 universities, USask placed 14th in total corporate research income (\$18,094,000) and 14th on the percentage of total research income derived by corporate income (8.1%). However, with respect to corporate research income growth compared to last year, USask placed 9th in the tier group with a 3.4% increase. Details of the *Corporate Research Income* ranking tables are located here: https://researchinfosource.com/pdf/WCTop50List2021CorporateResIncome Medical.pdf.

Finally, the Not-for-Profit Research Income ranking tables pertain to research income from not-for-profit sourced grants and contracts to assess the degree of activity in this area. Of the medical tier group of 16 universities, USask placed 14th in total not-for-profit research income (\$24,248,000) and 13th on the percentage of total research income derived by notfor-profit income (10.9%). However, with respect to not-for-profit research income growth, USask placed 14th overall in the tier group with a 18.1% decrease. Details of the **Not-for-Profit Research Income** ranking tables are located here: https://researchinfosource.com/pdf/WCTop50List2021NotforProfitResIncome Medical.pdf.

Further Information

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