

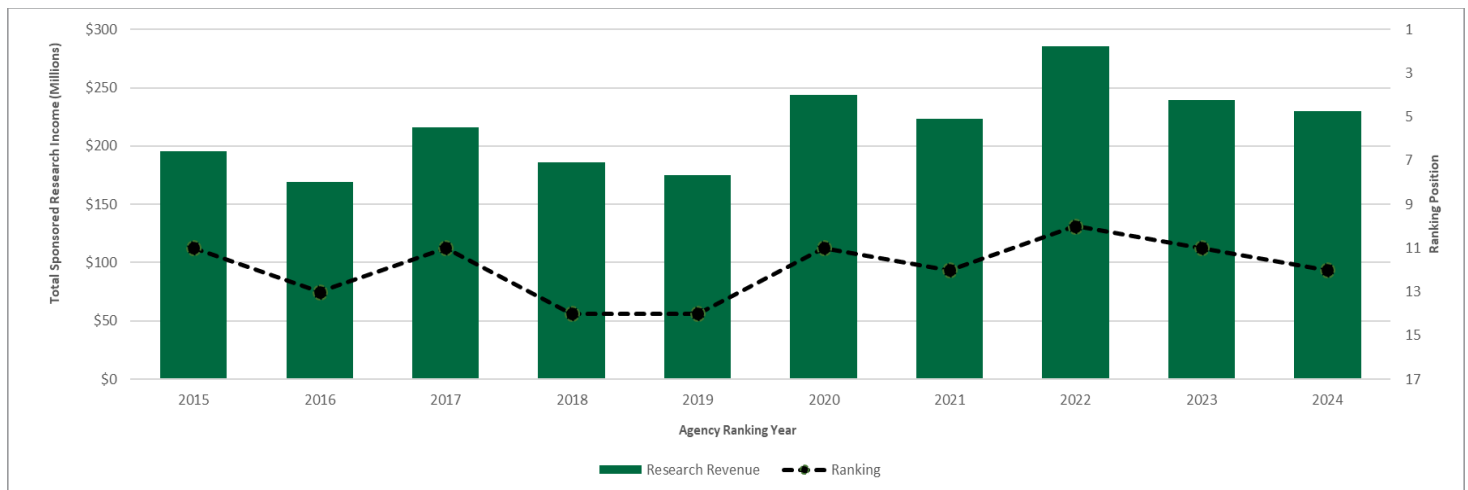
Summary

Research Infosource, a company that specializes in providing research and development intelligence, released their annual Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities publication on December 5, 2024. **The University of Saskatchewan (USask) ranked 12th overall (~\$230 million), dropping one position over prior year.** The University of Toronto continued as the top ranked university, followed by University of British Columbia, Universite de Montreal, McGill University and University of Alberta. University of Toronto’s annual research revenue increased by about \$100 million to \$1.43 billion, about double that of UBC which was in second place. The other four schools in the Top 5 had revenues approximately between \$620-\$715 million.

The Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities ranking is based upon 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 2024 ranking was based on financial data for the 2022-23 fiscal year obtained from Statistics Canada. Information on the 2024 results is available here: <https://researchinfosource.com/cil/2024/top-50-research-universities/list>.

University of Saskatchewan – Details on Performance

According to the Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities rankings, USask had a total sponsored research income of \$229,900,000. This was a decrease over prior year of about 4.1%, one of the largest drops amongst the 16 schools in the medical tier group. Over the most recent ten years, USask had remained ranked between 10 and 14 overall in terms of total research revenue.



In addition to Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities ranking, Research Infosource also publishes secondary ranking tables pertaining to a variety of measures such as Research Intensity (\$) per Faculty and Research Intensity (\$) per Graduate Student, and ultimately a ranking for Research Universities of the Year. Further to this, from year to year, they also often provide different spotlights on other research output measures including single year or 5-year changes in particular funding categories.

In terms of **Research Intensity (\$) per Faculty**, USask's ratio was \$227,400 which was 11th in the medical tier group of schools and a drop of one position over prior year. The ratio for **Research Intensity (\$) per Graduate Student** remained strong at \$64,500 resulting in a medical tier placement of 6th overall, also a drop of one position within the group of 16 universities.

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%). Although the full detailed list of medical tier university placements were not published at the time of the release, USask did not finish in the Research Infosome's Winners Circle (Top 3). Further information on the Research Universities of the Year ranking is available here: <https://researchinfosome.com/cil/2024/top-50-research-universities/ruy-tiers>.

This year, Research Infosome again presented a spotlight on changes in sponsored research income funding in three specific funding categories: Corporate Research Income, Not-for-Profit Research Income, and International Government Research Income. In terms of publication output, this year Research Infosome provided a new spotlight on how institutional scholarly output changed over 5 years in the area of 'University Artificial Intelligence'. The research income analysis examined financial data changes year-over-year, as well as changes from 2018/19 through 2022/23 fiscal periods, while the publication analysis compared scholarly output data from calendar year 2018 through 2022.

In terms of **Corporate Research Income** within the medical tier group of 16 universities, USask placed last in the group with 2022/23 fiscal year income of \$12.2M and second last with a growth rate of (-30.5%) year-over-year. With regards to **Not-for-Profit Research Income**, the aggregate income for the 2022/23 fiscal year was \$35.3M placing USask 13th within the tier. However, this helped place USask at 4th within the same group with a 45.7% positive change year-over-year. USask was positioned at the bottom of the **International Government Research Income** table of medical tier schools with an annual income of \$0.3M, and similarly in last place with respect to the % change year-over-year (-89.4%). Details on these three ranking tables are located here: <https://researchinfosome.com/cil/2024/top-50-research-universities/spotlight-tiers>.

The publication analysis which is based on Web of Science publication data, and specifically in the areas of artificial intelligence, is a different spotlight for Research Infosome. Research Infosome only published the Top 5 placements for each of the three tier groups of universities. USask was not positioned in any Top 5 list for either of 'Total AI Publications', 'AI Publications as % of Total University Publications', or 'AI Publication Growth'. Details on these ranking tables are located here: <https://researchinfosome.com/cil/2024/top-50-research-universities/spotlight-ai>.

Further Information

For more information about this ranking or other university rankings, please contact [Assessment and Analytics](#) in the Office of the Provost and VP Academic.