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Combined Prairie Universities Research Income Growth Lags Calgary, Regina, Manitoba Advance Strongly

Toronto ON, 7 November 2019. Seven Prairie universities on *Canada's Top 50 Research Universities List*, released today by Research Infosource Inc., had combined growth in research income of 2.8% in Fiscal 2018, compared with a national increase of 3.6%. Their combined research income expanded to \$1.35 billion in Fiscal 2018, compared with \$1.31 billion in Fiscal 2017. University of Regina (up 22.7%), University of Manitoba (up 13.3%) and University of Calgary (up 10.9) posted research income gains well in excess of the national total.

“Fiscal 2018 was a subdued year for Prairie universities”, said Ron Freedman, CEO of Research Infosource. “Although research income growth was strong at 3 universities, it declined at 4 others. Year to year individual variations such as this are par for the course and what counts more is the long term trend.”

University of Manitoba moved to 12th place in the national ranking from 13th position last year. University of Regina advanced two spots to #36 on the list. University of Calgary (\$68,700 per position) and University of Alberta (\$64,900) were in second and third positions respectively in the Medical university category for graduate student research intensity - research income per graduate student. University of Winnipeg (\$37,800) was in second place for graduate student research intensity in the Undergraduate grouping.

Nationally, the combined research income of *Canada's Top 50 Research Universities* increased by 3.6% to \$7.6 billion in Fiscal 2018. Average research intensity - research income per faculty position - was \$189,300, an increase of 2.4%. Graduate student intensity - research income per graduate student was \$38,300 in Fiscal 2018. Overall, Fiscal 2018 research income growth was driven by a 4.3% increase in total Government funding and in particular by 5.0% growth in Federal government support. Corporate research funding, however, only grew by 1.8%.

Research Infosource has designated 3 institutions as *Research Universities of the Year 2019* in their respective categories: University of Toronto (Medical), University of Waterloo (Comprehensive) and Lakehead University (Undergraduate). These institutions demonstrated superior performance on key measures of research success.

This year, Research Infosource spotlighted university publication performance – as measured by number of publications in the major fields of Natural Sciences and Engineering, Health Sciences and Social Sciences and Humanities between 2013-2017 at full-service universities. Top-placed winners in their respective categories were:

Natural sciences and engineering publications: University of Toronto - Medical category (12,760 publications), University of Waterloo - Comprehensive category (9,118) and University of Regina - Undergraduate (1,464).

Natural sciences and engineering publications as percent of total publications: University of Saskatchewan - Medical (56.2%), University of New Brunswick - Comprehensive (72.9%) and Université du Québec en Abitibi-Témiscamingue - Undergraduate (88.8%).

Health sciences publications: University of Toronto - Medical (40,460), University of Waterloo - Comprehensive (2,824) and Brock University - Undergraduate (544).

Health sciences publications as percent of total publications: University of Toronto - Medical (68.1%), Simon Fraser University - Comprehensive (30.7%) and Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières - Undergraduate (38.2%).

Social sciences and humanities publications: University of Toronto - Medical (6,228), York University - Comprehensive (2,245) and Wilfrid Laurier University - Undergraduate (871).

Social sciences and humanities publications as percent of total publications: Queen's University - Medical (14.2%), York University - Comprehensive (34.3%) and Wilfrid Laurier University - Undergraduate (48.6%).

For complete information: <https://researchinfosource.com/top-50-research-universities/2019>

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