

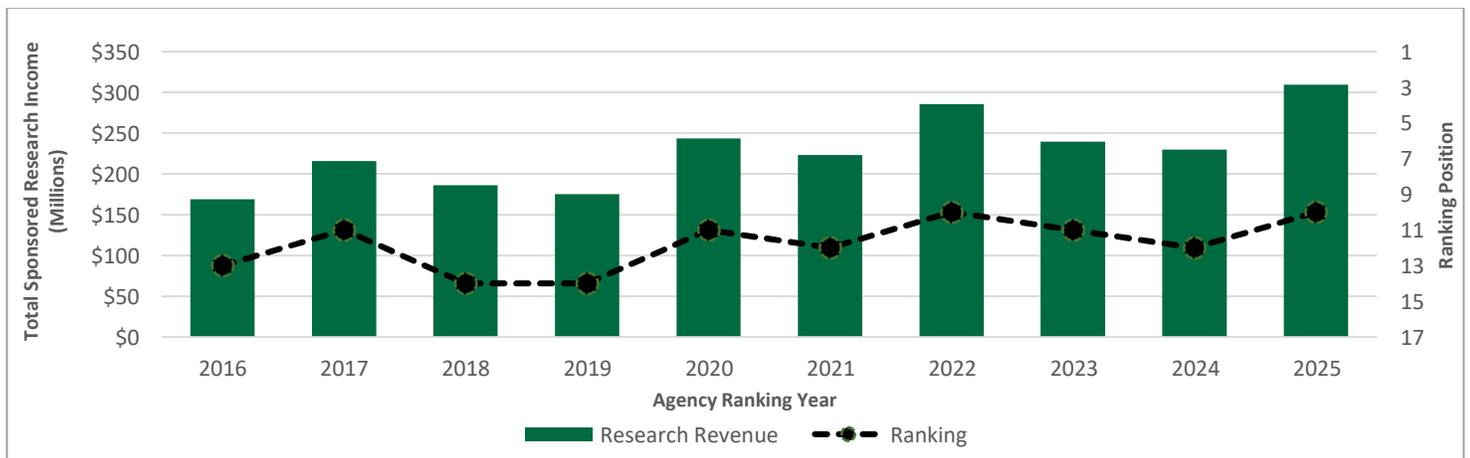
Summary

Research Infosource, a company that specializes in providing research and development intelligence, released their annual Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities publication on December 4, 2025. **The University of Saskatchewan (USask) ranked 10th overall (~\$309 million), increasing two positions over prior year.** The University of Toronto continued as the top ranked university, followed by Universite de Montreal, McGill University, University of British Columbia, and University of Calgary. University of Toronto’s annual research revenue increased by more than \$100 million to \$1.58 billion, about double that of Universite de Montreal which was in second place. The other four schools in the Top 5 had revenues approximately between \$570-\$775 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 2025 ranking was based on financial data for the 2023-24 fiscal year obtained from Statistics Canada. Information on the 2025 results is available here: <https://researchinfosource.com/cil/2025/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 \$309,403,000. This was an increase over prior year of about 34.6%, the largest increase amongst all schools in the medical tier. Over the most recent ten years, USask has 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 categories.

In terms of **Research Intensity (\$) per Faculty**, USask's ratio was \$319,600 which was 7th in the medical tier group of schools and an increase of 4 positions over prior year. The ratio for **Research Intensity (\$) per Graduate Student** increased to \$85,300 resulting in a medical tier placement of #1.

USask did not place in the Top 3 (medical tier) of Research Infosource's Winners Circle for the annual **Research Universities of the Year** ranking. Further information on the Research Universities of the Year ranking is available here: <https://researchinfosource.com/cil/2025/top-50-research-universities/ruy-wc>.

In terms of **Corporate Research Income** within the medical tier group of 16 universities, USask placed #16 in the group with 2023/24 fiscal year income of \$20M, however USask was #1 in growth rate (63.2%) year-over-year. With regards to **Not-for-Profit Research Income**, the aggregate income for the 2023/24 fiscal year was \$50M placing USask #13 within the tier. This increase helped place USask at #3 within the same group with a 41.8% positive change year-over-year. USask was positioned #15 in the **International Government Research Income** table of medical tier schools with an annual income of \$0.9M but placed strongly in first place in terms of % change year-over-year (188.1%). Details on these three ranking tables are located here: <https://researchinfosource.com/cil/2025/top-50-research-universities/spotlight-tiers>.

There were also six sets of publication related rankings included in this edition, all based upon 5-year windows of Web of Science data. The first of these was a spotlight on International AI Collaboration publications. USask was positioned #2 within the medical tier for **International AI Collaboration Publications as % of Total AI Publications** (68.5%). Details on these ranking tables are located here: <https://researchinfosource.com/cil/2025/top-50-research-universities/spotlight-ai>.

The second area of publication data highlighted was in the area of Cross-Sector AI Collaboration. USask was not positioned in any Top 5 list for either of **Total Cross-Sector AI Collaboration Publications** or **Total Cross-Sector AI Collaboration Publications as % of Total AI Publications**. Details on these ranking tables are located here: <https://researchinfosource.com/cil/2025/top-50-research-universities/spotlight-ai>.

The third area of publication data highlighted was a spotlight on Climate Change. USask ranked #2 within the medical tier topic for **Climate Change Publications as % of Total Climate Change Publications** (4.6%). Details on these ranking tables are located here: <https://researchinfosource.com/cil/2025/top-50-research-universities/spotlight-publications>.

The final areas of focus were the fields of Natural Sciences and Engineering, Health Sciences, and Social Sciences and Humanities. USask placed #7 in total **Natural Sciences and Engineering Publications** with 6,927 publications and ranked #2 for **Natural Sciences and Engineering Publications as % of Total Publications** (54.8%). In terms of total **Health Sciences Publications**, USask ranked #14 with 4,712 publications and ranked #15 for **Health Sciences Publications as % of Total Publications** (37.3%). Lastly, USask ranked #14 in total **Social Sciences and Humanities Publications** with 1,005 publications and ranked #16 for **Social Sciences and Humanities Publications as % of Total Publications** (7.9%). Details on these ranking tables are located here: <https://researchinfosource.com/cil/2025/top-50-research-universities/spotlight-performance-wc>.

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.