

**UNIVERSITY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**  
**RESEARCH SUPPORT FUND**  
**2019-20 PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES REPORT**

The Research Support Fund (RSF) has allowed and continues to allow UPEI to maintain its research infrastructure, support the research enterprise at UPEI, and invest in technology transfer. At UPEI the RSF is spent in all categories. The outcomes are driven by the research community's interest in applying for funding and their success. UPEI's RSF strives to support research at both the pre-award and post-award stages. At UPEI the RSF is spent in all categories with 10% of the overall grant allocated to the library.

<b>2019-20 Total allocation \$851,520</b>	<b>Performance Objective</b>	<b>Indicator</b>	<b>Targeted Outcomes Because outcomes are dependent on researcher interest and success, outcomes will be tracked and reported in June 2020</b>	<b>2019-2020 Outcomes</b>
Facilities  \$104,257 12.2%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintain UPEI research facilities and equipment in support of the research enterprise</li> </ul>	1. Funds are used to offset operating costs, renovations, or additions to research infrastructure	1. Research facilities operating costs are maintained	1. Funds were used to support research labs and facilities
Resources  \$85,152 10%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Manage and promote the secure institutional repository to support compliance with tri-agency Open Access Policy.</li> <li>Maintain as many core databases as possible considering rising costs</li> <li>Facilitate the management and preservation of research data</li> <li>Support for dissemination of research</li> </ul>	2. Number of training sessions for researchers and/or users of the storage service 3. Core databases maintained 4. Data sets preserved and tools for developing data management plans created 5. Projects supported, items added to IslandScholar	2. Offer training sessions or workshops relevant to data storage capabilities and encourage researchers to utilize data 3. Number of databases maintained 4. Assist faculty with the creation of data management plans. Deposit additional public datasets. 5. Support dissemination of research. Number of open access journals supported. Number of records added to IslandScholar.	2. Training events offered during Open Access Week and ongoing promotion of training via ACEnet. 23 new users created on data.upei.ca. 4 individualized instruction sessions. 3. Funding supported maintenance of existing database subscriptions. 4. Supporting data management infrastructure and software platforms including <a href="https://data.upei.ca">https://data.upei.ca</a> (4 datasets deposited) and research data storage (over 400Gb of data managed). New pilot data management system developed ( <a href="https://islandora-rdm.researchspaces.ca/">https://islandora-rdm.researchspaces.ca/</a> ) and being tested. 5. Supported 3 Conference VREs and over 20 Research VREs supported. Two Open Access journals supported ( <a href="https://islandstudies.ca">https://islandstudies.ca</a> , <a href="https://journaloflmmontgomerystudies.ca/">https://journaloflmmontgomerystudies.ca/</a> ). 1001 faculty publications and 68 theses added to <a href="https://islandscholar.ca">https://islandscholar.ca</a> . Implemented

				a platform to support the creation / adaption of open textbooks and other open educational resources
Management and Administration  \$310,122 36.4%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Maintain the human resources supporting UPEI research</li> <li>● Provide assistance with proposal preparation</li> <li>● Process contracts and agreements</li> <li>● Continue updates for Process Pathways database</li> <li>● Support staff to attend educational opportunities via CAREB and CARA</li> </ul>	6. Number of full-time equivalent positions supported by the RSF 7. Number of UPEI led tri-council applications submitted 8. Number of non-tri-council awards becoming active in the year 9. Number of non-tri-council applications initiated 10. Number of contracts and agreements processed 11. Database updates successfully implemented 12. Staff participate in useful training opportunities	6. Invest a portion of RSF in human resources in support and administration of research at UPEI 7. Try to maintain number of UPEI led tri-council applications 8. Try to maintain the number of non-tri-council awards becoming active in the year from 9. Try to maintain the number of non-tri-council applications initiated 10. Try to maintain the number of contracts and agreements processed 11. Romeo updated as required 12. Provide training days for research & compliance staff	6. 36.4% of the RSF is used to support personnel in this area 7. 45 tri-council applications 8. 29 active non tri-council awards 9. 50 non-tri-council applications initiated 10. 174 contracts and agreements processed 11. Database updates successfully implemented: the Romeo database upgrade was initiated in January 2019 and fully launched on June 1 2019 12. Attended CARA National Conference from May 26-29, 2019
Regulatory Requirements & Accreditation  \$202,245 23.8%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Invest a portion of RSF in supporting regulatory requirements for research</li> <li>● Maintain human resources involved in regulatory requirements of research at UPEI</li> <li>● Streamline processes and increase assistance with applications</li> </ul>	13. Number of full-time equivalent positions supported by the RSF 14. Number of applications for ethics, biosafety, and animal care 15. Processes for review and signature reviewed	13. Invest a portion of RSF in supporting regulatory requirements for research 14. Maintain the number of active applications 15. Processes require fewer reviews and approvals	13. 23.8% of the RSF is used to support personnel in this area. 14. 619 active applications. 15. Not met, but processes were assessed.
Intellectual Property & Knowledge Mobilization  \$149,744 17.6%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Provide support to Synapse, UPEI's tech transfer office through invest a portion of RSF in supporting IP and knowledge mobilization</li> <li>● Provide tech transfer services to faculty</li> <li>● Develop and process collaborations with industry</li> <li>● Assist in licensing technology or creation of spin-out companies</li> </ul>	16. Number of researchers working with Synapse 17. Number of collaborations with industry 18. Number of licenses or spin-out companies 19. External collaborations encouraged via proposal review and contact with Synapse	16. Engage with faculty members 17. Host workshops with faculty and industry 18. Evaluate technologies with commercial potential 19. Facilitate industry funded collaborations 20. Facilitate publicly funded collaborations with industry 21. Facilitate licenses or spin-out companies	16. Engaged with 63 researchers 17. Hosted 4 workshops with faculty & industry 18. Evaluated 17 technologies with commercial potential 19. Facilitated 26 collaboration with industry 20. Facilitated 27 publicly funded collaborations with industry 21. Two licenses completed. Multiple Licenses under preparation and several Spin-Out options and patent protection