

2019-20 Performance Objectives Outcomes Report

The Research Support Fund (RSF) program funds enable UNB to support and foster research across the university. In 2019-20, the RSF Program funds allowed UNB to continue to grow its research competitiveness by investing in its research capacity and research support. The Incremental Projects Grants (IPG) funding is a stream of the RSF program that provides further support for the indirect costs of research. The 2019-20 IPG funding was invested into one project, research policy development.

2019-20	Institutional Performance Objective	Performance Indicator	RSF Investment (Example)	Target Outcome	Reported Outcome
Research facilities:	Support to maintain and enhance UNB's research infrastructure	Number of faculty submitting research grant and award applications	Operational (utilities) costs associated with research infrastructure	Maintain 2018-19 levels	The number of faculty submitting applications remained relatively the same as the previous year with 243 researchers (245 researchers for 2018-19).*
Research resources:	Support for research services, tools and outreach activities in order to better support the research agenda	Number of grant and award applications processed	Library holdings critical to research	Maintain 2018-19 levels	The number of applications processed increased from the previous year; 659 applications compared to 592 applications in 2018-19. The number of awards also increased from the previous year; 458 awards compared to 408 awards in 2018-19.*
Management and administration:	Support for research administrative services in order to better support the research agenda.	Number of grant and award applications processed	Research services office, along with tools to better manage research projects / accounts (Ellucian ERP system and Entrinsik Informer reporting tool)	Maintain 2018-19 levels	The number of applications processed increased from the previous year; 659 applications compared to 592 applications in 2018-19. The number of awards also increased from the previous year; 458 awards compared to 408 awards in 2018-19.
Regulatory requirements and accreditation:	Support for regulatory / accreditation resources to maintain compliance	Compliance	Certification programs such as animal care, human ethics, bio safety and radiation safety	N/A	N/A
Intellectual property:	Support for knowledge and technology transfer process in order to increase the impact of research outcomes	Number of knowledge and technology transfers and industry engagement	Member status with Springboard Atlantic Inc. in an effort to support the management of intellectual property and commercialization opportunities	Maintain 2018-19 levels	The number of knowledge and technology transfers have increased to 141 (filings, licenses, etc.), compared to 120 in 2018-19. Industry engagements have significantly increased to 261 engagements compared to 195 in 2018-19.
IPG Project	Research policy and research policy analyst				

Note: The above are examples of investments; they do not cover all expenditures supported by the RSF program.

* Performance indicator to be re-evaluated to determine if it is the best indicator for the performance objective.