Roles and Responsibilities

The Vice-President (Research) works closely with the President and other Vice-Presidents to provide leadership and long-term financial planning and analysis. The VP (Research) contributes in the identification of risks, opportunities and benefits that will inform strategies and allocate resources to attain UNB’s mission.

The Vice-President (Research):

- Provides leadership and vision in shaping UNB’s strategic research directions and agenda.
- Builds on the success of the office and continues to promote, strengthen and enhance a research culture within UNB, expanding the cohort of faculty actively engaged in research and fostering enthusiasm, excitement and motivation for research.
- Sets standards and expectations for research success at UNB, measures outcomes and provides conditions for continuous improvement.
- Develops a higher profile for the full spectrum of research and scholarly activities in all academic units of the University while building on existing areas of research strength and scholarly activity.
- Provides services to new and established faculty, including research funding application assistance, research ethics, post-award financial administration, facilitation of contact with industry and government, and other research support services.
- Matches UNB strengths and strategic directions with partnership and funding opportunities in external environment. Proactively pursues new partnerships and funding sources such as granting councils, foundations, contracts and collaborative relationships, for the full range of our academic programs and research activities.
- Renew, develops and strengthens relationships among the office of Vice-President (Research), the Vice-Presidents (Academic) and (Saint John), the School of Graduate Studies, Graduate Academic Units, faculty and students involved in graduate studies and research, and external bodies.
- Extends the scope and stature of the office through building linkages with the alumni/ae councils and their members, the offices of Development and Marketing and Communications, and through mentoring and support programs for faculty and researchers.

- Addresses issues of ethics in research and intellectual property rights.
- Maintains strong communications and information flows between the Office of Vice-President and academic units.
- Develops and strengthens relations with government and elected officials to help shape public policy and programs affecting research.