

## 2024-25 Performance Objectives

The Research Support Fund (RSF) assists Canadian postsecondary institutions such as the University of New Brunswick (UNB) with the indirect costs associated with managing the research funded by the Tri-agency. The Incremental Projects Grant (IPG) and Research Security (RS) grant are streams of RSF. IPG provides further support for the indirect costs of research with a focus on four priority areas that cut across the five categories of RSF eligible expenses. The four priority areas include: innovation and commercialization, facilities renewal, information resources, and equity, diversity and inclusion. RS is categorized as a fifth priority area of the IPG. The RS grant supports activities related to the indirect costs of research security and to the National Security Guidelines for Research Partnerships.

The majority of the funds from the RSF grant continue to support on-going indirect costs such as library acquisitions, IT services, and research support. The IPG funding is continuing to be applied to develop support and resources for researchers working with Indigenous peoples and communities. Similarly, the RS funding is continuing to be applied to develop support and resources for safeguarding research.

The following performance objectives are proposed for 2024-25, with the goal of continued investment into supporting UNB's research community.

2024-25	RSF Investment	Performance Objective	Performance Indicator	Target Outcome	Reported Outcome
<b>Research facilities</b>	Continued investment in infrastructure	Maintain and where applicable enhance current research infrastructure	Number of grant applications	Increase previous years' figure	To be reported September 2025
<b>Research resources</b>	Continued investment in library acquisitions and IT services	Improve support for researchers and research activity, and simplify research support activities	Number of grant applications	Increase from previous years' figure	To be reported September 2025
<b>Management and administration</b>	Continued investment in research support services	Increase capacity and efficiency to better support researchers and research activity	Number of grant applications Number of awards	Increase from previous years' figure	To be reported September 2025
<b>Regulatory requirements and accreditation</b>	Continued investment in regulatory / accreditation resources	Invest in new tools to better manage regulatory and accreditation requirements	Maintain compliance with regulatory requirements / accreditations	New tools	To be reported September 2025
<b>Intellectual property</b>	Continued investment in technology transfer process	Increase in research and innovation partnerships, and knowledge and technology transfer through the Fulcrum initiative	Number of knowledge and technology transfers and industry engagement (Springboard metrics)	Increase from previous years' figure	To be reported September 2025

2024-25	IPG Investment	Performance Objective	Performance Indicator	Target Outcome	Reported Outcome
<b>Project: Indigenizing Research</b>	Continued investment in developing support and resources for researchers working with Indigenous peoples and communities	Increase awareness and training of Indigenous knowledge, epistemologies, methodologies and practices	Number of outreach and engagement activities Number of users accessing resources	Increase in awareness	To be reported September 2025

2024-25	RS Investment	Performance Objective	Performance Indicator	Target Outcome	Reported Outcome
<b>Project: Research risk due diligence</b>	Continued investment in developing support and resources for safeguarding research	Increase awareness and training	Research security plan, guidelines, and/or frameworks Number of outreach and engagement activities	Increase in awareness and decrease in research risk	To be reported September 2025