

**Dalhousie University
Research Support Fund
2018 – 2019 Objectives / June 2019 Report**

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Eligible expenditure category	Output (investment or expense of RSF grant funds)	Performance Objective	Performance Indicator	Target Outcome	June 2019 Progress Report
Research facilities	Four designated Core facilities receive appropriate operational support	Review and support Core research facilities and multi-user space	Core facilities offer equipment and technical support to broader research community	Core facilities model effective and efficient resource usage	Operational support was provided to the four designated Core facilities. A review of Core facilities operations is anticipated in 2019-20.
Management and administration of an institution's research enterprise	Create Information Management team to pilot test and implement Researcher Portal	Improve research application processing and approval	Submission of application documents on-line	Electronic submission improves processing time and enhances researcher application experience	ROMEO Researcher Portal was successfully implemented November 1, 2018. Information Management team continues to support the university research community system users through training and outreach.
Management and administration of an institution's research enterprise	Increase support to Grants unit to better assist Tri-agency researchers and applications	Improve services to researchers and provide specific Tri-agency expertise	Service expectations of researchers are met	Increased number of applications to Tri-agency and/or increased success rates	New Research Grants Facilitator started December 4, 2018, increasing facilitation and support capacity for researchers. Increases in application and success rates are anticipated.
Intellectual Property (IP)	Create position in Industry Liaison & Innovation office to serve large-scale oceans initiatives including the Ocean Frontier Institute, DeepSense, and the Ocean Supercluster	Support for research innovation and tech transfer in the oceans sector	Active engagement and collaboration with industry partners in the oceans sector	Increased industry partnerships and/or contracts with oceans sector	New position started Fall 2018 and is actively engaged in large-scale Oceans projects and working directly with industry partners.
Intellectual Property (IP)	Establish position of Executive Director, Innovation & Entrepreneurship, in Vice-President Research Office	Support for extra-curricular innovation and entrepreneurship programs and Dal's innovation Sandboxes	Increased student/researcher participation in entrepreneurship and Sandbox activities	Plan/path established to guide and accelerate innovation ideas to commercialization	The Executive Director joined the Vice-President Research and Innovation office July 1, 2018. As site lead for the Creative Destruction Lab Atlantic, the ED leads the transition of promising ventures into functioning companies and presents new I&E initiatives to the Dalhousie research community.