2016 Research Infosource Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities Ranking

Summary

Research Infosource, a company that specializes in providing research and development intelligence, released the annual Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities on October 27, 2016. The University of Saskatchewan (U of S) ranked 13, dropped from 11 last year. University of Toronto was the top ranked university, followed by University of British Columbia, University of Montreal, and McGill University.

What is the ranking based on?

The Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities ranking is based on total sponsored research income, that is, all funds to support research received in the form of a grant, contribution, or contract from all sources external to the institution. The 2016 ranking was based on financial data for the 2014-2015 fiscal year from Statistics Canada.

University of Saskatchewan Details

According to the Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities rankings, the U of S had a total sponsored research income of $168,947,000. The chart below illustrated our ranking between 2001 and 2016. U of S consistently ranked between 11 and 15, with 2007 being the only exception.

Research University of the Year Ranking

In addition to the Top 50 Research Universities ranking, Research Infosource also published a Research University of the Year (RUY) ranking, which was based on the aggregate score from five equally weighted research performance indicators: total sponsored research income (20%), research intensity (20%, research income per faculty member), total publications (20%), publication intensity (20%, publications per faculty member), and publication impact (20%, citation measurement that is based on the Average Relative Impact Factor developed by Observatoire des sciences et des technologies’ (OST)).

The U of S ranked 15 nationally with a total score of 38.0. Among the individual indicators, U of S performed the best in total sponsored research income (13), followed by research intensity (14), total publications (15), and publication intensity (18). The U of S improved significantly in publication impact, moving to 18 from 29 last year.