

# TOXICOLOGY CENTRE

## STATUS REPORT

[<http://www.usask.ca/toxicology/>]

**Mission:** To deliver excellence in toxicology teaching and research.

### **Goals and objectives of the centre:**

- I) To increase graduate and undergraduate student enrollment.
- II) To improve the student experience in teaching and research.
- III) To become an international leader in toxicology research.

**Types of activities undertaken to achieve mandate:** Strengthen linkages with other academic units on campus (e.g., increase or remove enrollment cap in undergraduate toxicology courses to fit the needs of other academic programs).

- I) Expand graduate course offerings and establish new programs (e.g., Human and Ecological Risk Assessment (HERA), Non-thesis Masters in Toxicology).
- II) Establish new partnerships and student exchange programs with leading international research institutions in toxicology (e.g., Umea University, Sweden; RWTH Aachen, Germany; City University of Hong Kong)

### **Governance:**

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In addition, there are approximately 40 faculty and scientists who contribute to the interdisciplinary Toxicology Programs by irregularly supervising graduate students and/or teaching toxicology-related courses / course modules.