

2020 SMU RESEARCH RECOGNITION RECEPTION



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Hosted by: Adam Sarty (*Associate VP Research / Dean of Grad Studies &*
and the FGSR Research Office team

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- Thank you for all coming this afternoon to join us in recognizing research success of so many Saint Mary's colleagues!
- SMU faculty are active in many areas of scholarship – not all of which require external funding to support ...
- Today is just one of several ways we have (and will) join together to share and celebrate SMU research and researchers:
 - Annual SMU Research Expo (March)
 - Sobey School Responsibility Conference / PRME Expo (planned for Nov 6)
 - Arts Research Showcase (1st one cancelled - COVID...watch for the 2nd!)
 - 3 Minute Thesis competition (for grad students – winter...normally)

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- That said... Obtaining external funding to support research:
 - is not easy!
 - is a recognition by outside peers/experts that the research is of high quality – winning funding in a competitive environment
 - provides the means to hire and support/fund student researchers (undergrad, grad) and postdocs, technical staff
 - constitutes a key measure used in many overall university rankings
 - is worthy of recognition!

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- Today marks 3rd Annual recognition of ALL faculty members who have secured External Funds in Support of Research from **SEPTEMBER 2019 – SEPTEMBER 2020**
(including co-PI's that have had money transferred to SMU)
- Funding from these sources:
 - Canada Research Chair program
 - SSHRC, NSERC, CIHR research grant programs
 - SSHRC, NSERC Partnership Programs
 - a wide variety of other provincial and federal agencies, and direct research contracts with companies/organizations

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- Before getting to those recognitions, I wanted to be sure to both
Recognize and Thank
the FGSR Research Office team for all their help putting this together
(and supporting the research efforts of those faculty being recognized
today), and
Virtually introduce (or re-introduce) them to you! ..

Shane Costantino (*Assistant to the Dean*)

Vanisa Omicevic (*Research Office Assistant*)

Margaret Schenk (*Research Grants Officer - RGO*)

Kevin Buchan (*Director, Office of Innovation & Comm. Engagement – OICE*)

Danielle Goodfellow (*Industry Liaison Officer, OICE*)

Ray MacNeil (*CLARI Network Manager – community-engaged research*)

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By the Numbers: **95 FACULTY MEMBERS** received funding **\$8.17 Million** in Sept 2019 to Sept 2020 from these sources:

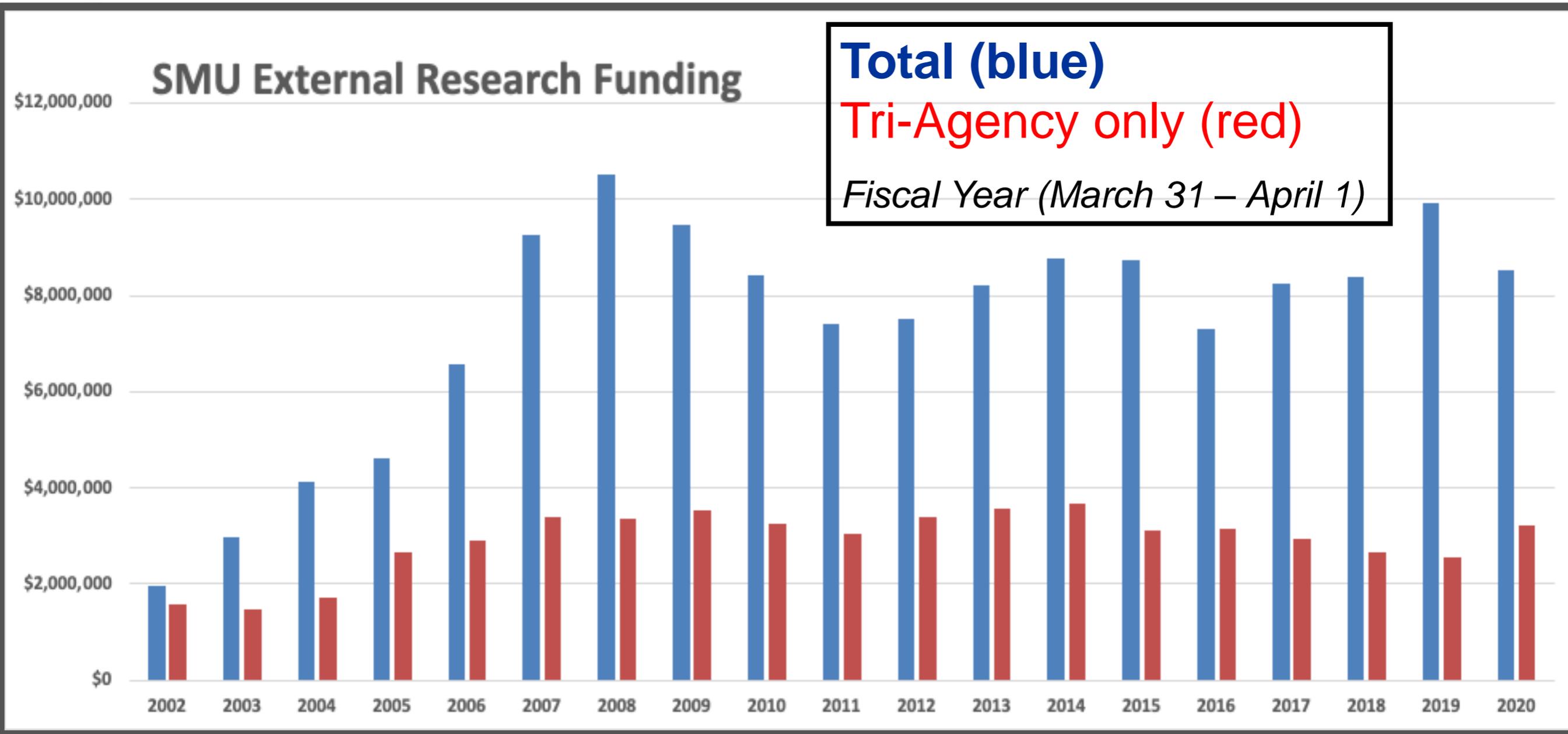
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Plus Other Funding (giving around **\$9.5 Million**, all together)

Infrastructure CFI/NSRIT → ~\$ 316,000

RESEARCH SUPPORT FUND → ~\$1,037,000

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BUSINESS	16	22	24	9.1	\$865,652	\$876,612	\$803,065	-9.2
SCIENCE	43	42	53	26.2	\$3,374,734	\$4,770,966	\$5,649,563	15.6
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- **Acknowledge / Recognize / Congratulate / Thank**
all faculty members who **secured access** to these coveted **external research-support dollars** (during the past 12 months)
- **Inform**
everyone – all of us: senior university administrators, and all fellow faculty colleagues – of the nature of the kind of research that is ongoing (at a high, *fundable*, level) across all of SMU
- **Network**
...well, not this year ☹️ so, sit back and enjoy your beverage, and prepare to be awed by the vast diversity of research!

2020 SMU RESEARCH RECOGNITION RECEPTION: THE “FORMAL” AGENDA

- One by one (faculty member by faculty member), I will read the faculty member’s **name** and **department**, and the **title** of their research grant/contract(s)
(so we all can get some idea of what kind of research is involved ... depending on the title ... and if we have a good record of the title!)
- When I finish reading the name/department/title(s), if that person is here, then please **TURN ON CAMERA AND MIC** (and say “hello”, wave!) and be acknowledged. *(if the person isn’t here, they don’t have to wave 😊)*
- I will start with Faculty of Arts, then Sobey School, then Science: working through by department, and faculty within department.