

Research at the University of Washington

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FY 22 UW Research by the Numbers

Research is foundational for the future of the UW.

The numbers attest to the strength of the research enterprise.

\$1.67B in sponsored grants and contracts

\$1.27B federal funding

\$400M non-federal funding

5,605 awards



Large Scale Effort

- For years, UW has received more federal research funding than any other U.S. public university (2nd only to Johns Hopkins), consistently top 5 external funding
- Current research funding is characterized by both breadth and depth
 - 17 schools/colleges + Tacoma, Bothell
 - Diverse sponsors: 13+ Federal sponsors, foundations, industry, state & local government, non-profits,
 - Over 280 specialized research Centers & Institutes
- Collaborations: 30% of our FY22 expenditures is in incoming + outgoing subcontracts
- Large undergraduate research program and numerous grad/postdoc training awards



It's not about \$\$, it's about impact

Faculty honors

- o 7 Nobel Prize, 6 National Medal of Science, 17 MacArthur Fellows
- o 101 members of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences
- 195 members of the National Academies of Science, Engr. & Medicine

Recent Rankings

- 17 Academic Ranking of World Universities (2022)
- 7 US News & World Report Global Rankings (2022) [#2 US Public Univ]
- 5 Reuters Most Innovative Universities (2019)

Recent stories:

- o 1st US identification of community transmission of Covid 19
- 1st identification of target receptor & 1st viral sequencing, leading to new vaccine platform, and vaccine now in use in S. Korea
- 1st hydrogel platform allowing on-demand production of medicines
- 1st to show internet-connected cars could have critical functions hacked



What makes UW a research powerhouse?

Breadth of outstanding faculty

- Deep expertise in a huge range of research topics & methods
- Faculty excellence attracts outstanding grad students & post-docs

Extremely collaborative community

- Low admin barriers to interdisciplinary collaboration
- Shared facilities supported by centers & institutes

Supportive research ecosystem for faculty-driven initiatives

- Distributed research network with a lot of connective tissue
- Nimble in responding to opportunities, resilient when faced with challenges

This combination leads to research with impact that is both local and global, both immediate & long-term.

