



The University of North Carolina at Greensboro
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Information Item

AAC – 2 Update on Research and Engagement

The Office of Research and Engagement provides support and strategic direction to faculty, staff and students for research and creative endeavors resulting in scholarship, innovation, community, and economic engagement leading to knowledge, student, and regional transformation.

External Funding and Trends

Through the first half of the FY24, we are down slightly from our record breaking year in FY23. **Awards are down by \$1,524,015 or 3.6%**. Submissions are also down in terms of number of submissions and amount requested. That said, we are over \$7 million and over 20% higher than in FY22 which still puts us on pace for an outstanding year. Expenditures, which are another metric of the strength of external funding, are trending 13% above last year, reflecting the banner year of awards in FY23.

	7-1-23 to 12-31-23		7-1-22 to 12-31-22	
SUBMISSIONS	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
	<i>190</i>	<i>\$ 82,433,071</i>	<i>231</i>	<i>\$ 92,081,052</i>
AWARDS	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
	<i>160</i>	<i>\$ 40,713,046</i>	<i>161</i>	<i>\$ 42,237,061</i>

Selected Highlights

UNCG has been recognized for our commitment to and excellence in both community and economic engagement with two national designations. In November 2023, we were *recognized by the Association for Public and Land Grant Universities (APLU) as an Innovation & Economic Prosperity (IEP) University.* The national designation acknowledges public research universities working with public and private sector partners to support economic development through a variety of activities, such as innovation, entrepreneurship, technology transfer, workforce development, and community development. We are one of 80 institutions of higher education with this designation.

In January 2024, we were notified that we once again received the *Carnegie Community Engagement Classification* from the American Council on Education (ACE) and the Carnegie Foundation, recognizing excellence in and institutional commitment to community engagement and is currently held by 368 campuses. We have held this classification since 2008 and are one of 60 high research activity doctoral granting universities to hold this classification.

In addition to these designations that represent excellence in engagement, UNCG has a number of current faculty/researchers on Stanford University's recently released [2023 Stanford Elsevier List](#) representing the **top 2 % of the most-cited researchers worldwide** covering publications between 1996 and 2022 as well as a list for just 2022. While this listing doesn't include all scholarly outlets or disciplines, it does include close to 35,000 peer-reviewed journals in life sciences, social sciences, physical sciences and health sciences.

John Kiss	Biology	Career & Single Year
Nadja Cech	Chemistry/Biochemistry	Career & Single Year
Nicholas Oberlies	Chemistry/Biochemistry	Career & Single Year
Huzefa Raja	Chemistry/Biochemistry	Single Year
Alan Kamhi	Communication Sciences/Disorders	Career
Jing Deng	Computer Science	Career & Single Year
Prashant Palvia	Computer Science	Career & Single Year
Shan Suthaharan	Computer Science	Career & Single Year
DiAnne Borders	Counseling & Educational Development	Career & Single Year
Al Link	Economics	Career & Single Year
Mark Rifkin	English	Career & Single Year
Cheryl Buehler	Human Development/Family Studies	Career & Single Year
Mark Fine	Human Development/Family Studies	Career & Single Year
Esther Leerkes	Human Development/Family Studies	Single Year
Ang Chen	Kinesiology	Career & Single Year
Ben Dyson	Kinesiology	Career & Single Year
Allan Goldfarb	Kinesiology	Career & Single Year
Jennifer Etnier	Kinesiology	Career & Single Year
Sandra Shultz	Kinesiology	Career & Single Year

Nir Kshetri Vas Taras	Management Management	Career & Single Year Single Year
Jiyoung Hwang	Marketing	Single Year
Maryanne Perrin Zhanxiang Zhou	Nutrition Nutrition	Single Year Career & Single Year
Susan Letvak	Nursing	Single Year
Michael Kane Paul Silvia Blair Wisco	Psychology Psychology Psychology	Career & Single Year Career & Single Year Single Year
Derek Krueger	Religious Studies	Single Year



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