

WE SAID WE WOULD DO IT.

AND WE DID IT.

BUT WE'RE NOT DONE.

# think big be bold

College of Arts and Science 2025

## ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT FALL 2019

With more than 40 per cent of the total student population at USask, we comprise 21 departments and offer more than 60 programs. With 300+ faculty members, we provide approximately half of the undergraduate courses offered at USask, spanning the humanities, social sciences, sciences and fine arts.

### Arts and Science Magazine



**10,000**

copies for alumni, donors and friends

### Academic



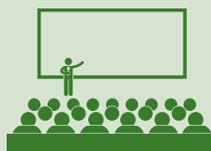
- › New Math 101 course for new degree requirements
- › Creating 4 new BMSC degree programs
- › 97 students in Study Abroad (triple from last year)
- › Science outreach programming reached more than **7,500** people in Saskatoon and **12 First Nations** communities in the north

### Donors



- › Together, donors gave **\$2.1M** in **2018-19**, helping our students achieve their potential and advancing research as we tackle some of the most pressing challenges of our time.

### Numbers at a glance



**10,504**

enrolled students

- 1,276 international students
- 1,515 self-declared Indigenous students



**1,284**

degrees granted in 2018



**53,000+**  
living alumni



**\$26,500,466**

research funding  
awarded in 2018-19

### Enrolment



- › In the 2018/19 academic year we saw a slight increase in our undergraduate student number to **9,446** (up 0.6%); however, a 5.6% growth was seen in the graduate student number to **1,058** graduate students, over the last academic year
- › Both our Indigenous and international student numbers have increased from last Academic Year, by 6.7% (UG-2018/19) for Indigenous students and 7.8% (UG) for international
- › Over 7000 face-to-face student advising sessions and over 20,000 advising contacts via email or letter

## Faculty Relations

- › 7 new department heads; 15 renewal of probation; 6 tenure; 7 promotion to associate; 5 promotion to full; 309 salary review cases; 6 depts submitted revised standards; 42 applications for sabbaticals; 14 tenure track/ tenured appointments made; 6 searches (including 2 Indigenous) underway or pending; and, 6 retirements

## Indigenous

- › ISAP programming welcomed 118 students in 2018-2019, representing approximately 22% of first-year Indigenous students
- › 13 students in the college received Indigenous Student Achievement Awards
- › The college provides funding for 4 Indigenous graduate students (2 PhD, 1 MA, 1 MSc) through its College of Arts & Science Aboriginal Graduate Scholarship program

## Research, Scholarly and Artistic Work (RSAW)

- › 24 researchers received funding from the NSERC Discovery Grants program, 2 researchers received NSERC RTI funding, 3 scholars received SSHRC Insight Grants, 4 received Insight Development Grants, and a major SSHRC Partnership Grant was awarded. 2 of our researchers were successful in the inaugural New Frontiers in Research Fund (NFRF) competition for new researchers and 2 concepts will be developed for the anticipated NFRF Transformation Stream.
- › 3 Tier 2 CRCs (all female) were awarded
- › The University of Saskatchewan Art Galleries and Art Collection was awarded more than \$480,000 by the Canada Council for the Arts to develop a digital service that will help arts organizations in the province better engage with their audiences. Led by the galleries director, a team of 5 digital experts from art and art history, archaeology and anthropology, computer science and the University Library will support this 3-year project

## Epitome examples of college's four commitments

### 1 Students First

- › **Psychology:** With \$19K funding from the USask Open Textbook Adaptation Fund to create an open textbook for PSY 120/121, more than 2,300 students will use the open textbook, with an estimated savings of \$389,000 per year for students

### 2 Equity and Diversity in Faculty and Staff

- › **Archaeology and Anthropology:** Reconciliation statement
- › **Computer Science:** Hired 4 female professors in the last 18 months

### 3 Excellence in RSAW

- › **Mathematical Physics:** Approval of Centre for Quantum Topology and Its Applications (quanTA)

### 4 New Curricula

- › **Drama/ English/ Indigenous Studies:** Launch of the new Certificate in the Study of Indigenous Storytelling
- › **Geography and Planning:** New BSc in Hydrology
- › **Political Studies:** 3 certificates - Politics and Law; Indigenous Governance and Politics; Global Studies

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