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**University Research Income Drops in Ontario by -5.0%
10 Ontario Universities Buck National Income Decline**

TORONTO, Oct. 15, 2015 – Fiscal 2014 combined research income at the 18 Ontario universities on *Canada's Top 50 Research Universities List* fell by a total of -5.0%, to \$2.66 billion from \$2.80 billion in Fiscal 2013 according to Research Infosource Inc., which released its annual ranking today. The combined decline in research income at Ontario universities surpassed the -1.6% decline in national university research income. Overall, research income rose at 10 Ontario institutions and declined at 8 others. Ontario universities occupied 4 of the 10 top places on the Top 50 list and captured 7 of 18 places on the \$100 Million Club of institutions with \$100 million or more of research income in Fiscal 2014.

“This was not a stellar year for Ontario universities’ research income performance”, said Ron Freedman, CEO of Research Infosource Inc. “Although 10 of the 18 universities posted gains in research income, the sharp declines at some of the larger institutions weighed down the provincial performance.”

Research income in Fiscal 2014 increased at Ryerson University (25.9%), Brock University (14.7%), York University (9.3%), Carleton University (7.2%), Royal Military College of Canada (7.1%), University of Waterloo (6.3%), Laurentian University (4.2%), University of Windsor (2.5%), Trent University (1.9%), and Lakehead University (1.1%). Research income decreased at Wilfrid Laurier University (-1.7%), McMaster University (-3.7%), University of Toronto (-6.2%), Western University (-6.5%), University of Ontario Institute of Technology (-7.0%), University of Guelph (-7.3%), University of Ottawa (-7.6%), and Queen’s University (-21.8%).

For the first time in 14 years national combined university research income failed to grow. Research income at Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities shrank by -1.6% in Fiscal 2014, compared to a modest gain of 1.1% in Fiscal 2013. Combined research income fell to \$6.67 billion from \$6.78 billion. Research intensity – income per faculty – fell by -1.4% to \$173,500 from \$175,900.

Research Infosource has designated 3 institutions as Research Universities of the Year 2015 in their respective categories: University of Toronto (Medical/Doctoral), University of Waterloo (Comprehensive) and Lakehead University (Undergraduate). These institutions stood out on a balanced scorecard of research input and output/impact measures.

This year, Research Infosource also shone the spotlight on research partnerships, as measured by corporate and non-profit research grants or contracts received during the period Fiscal 2010-2014. Top winners were: *Total corporate research income*: McMaster University, University of Guelph, and Université du Québec à Chicoutimi. *Total non-profit research income*: University of Toronto, University of Waterloo, and Lakehead University. *Corporate research income as percent of total university research income*: McMaster University, University of Regina, and Université du Québec à Chicoutimi. *Non-profit research income as percent of total university research income*: University of Toronto, Simon Fraser University, and Université de Moncton.

For complete information: http://www.researchinfosource.com/top50_univ.php

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