Research Security Accountability and Public Acknowledgement
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Project Title	Output	Performance objectives	Performance indicators	Target outcomes
Research Security Contracts	$109,285 to fund a Research Security Unit staff to conduct security reviews, acquire open-source intelligence tool and implement research security considerations in research agreements and intellectual property licenses.	The objectives of this project are a) Sustain the conduct of security reviews in support of federal funding applications and international research partnerships; b) Acquire open-source intelligence (OSINT) tool that will speed up the conduct of security reviews; c) Implement research security considerations in research agreements and intellectual property licenses.	• # of Risk Assessment Forms reviewed • # of Due Diligence Forms completed • Value and # of research agreements and intellectual property licenses processed. • OSINT tool subscription in place	Safeguard UVic research and intellectual property through the vetting of research partners and implementation of security conscious intellectual property strategy. Reduce the risk to the university with respect to the IP theft and reputational damage. Help ensure "Benefit to Canada" for research funding invested into our institution.
Raising Awareness for Research Security (previous titled Informing and Supporting UVIC Research and Creative Works for Data Confidentiality, Integrity, and Availability, and	$109,285 to fund a Research Security Unit staff to develop and deliver research security training to researchers, host workshops, and creating tools for open-source due diligence.	The objectives of this project are a) Continue raising awareness of the national issue on research security within the UVic research community; b) Equip faculty and researchers with knowledge and tools to enhance their research	• Training modules integrated into Brightspace platform • Training material developed and delivered	Foster a security conscious culture and research environment at the university while promoting academic freedom, transparent collaboration and open science. Make the conduct of open-source due diligence a

Developing Best Practices)		security posture when exploring research partnerships; and c) Enhance the core competency of research security staff.	• Due diligence tool developed and proliferated • # of workshops, webinars and presentations delivered • # of faculty, researchers and research services staff trained	second nature among faculty and researchers.
Infrastructure for Safeguiding Research program (previously titled Systems Data Security)	$150,737 on training tools, increased Research Computing Services team capacity, developing research cybersecurity training program	The objective of this program is to implement a platform for secure data to reduce risk to new and on-going research activities and develop a training and awareness program for cybersecurity in research. This will be a multi-year goal which will comprise gathering current practices, identifying gaps, developing resources to inform and train and support UVIC researchers in research security.	• # researchers and their team members (i.e. all users) who have adopted the platform • # GBs of sensitive data stored on the platform • # researchers trained • # research centres supported	Multi-year outcomes resulting from our research involving sensitive information are important to Canada's economic prosperity, our citizens' health, the environment, and our communities. Therefore, it is critical that the University safeguard our research and our research data.