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Minister of Advanced Education

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March 22, 2023

Dr. Marlene Smadu, Chair  
Board of Governors  
University of Regina  
Room 509, Administration-Humanities Building  
3737 Wascana Parkway  
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Dear Dr. Marlene Smadu:

Saskatchewan's 2023-24 Budget supports a stronger provincial economy through priority investments in programs, services, and infrastructure. The education and health sectors are key areas of focus as the province carefully manages its finances to achieve growth that works for everyone.

This year marks the third year of the Government of Saskatchewan's multi-year funding commitment in post-secondary education. The four-year commitment to the sector supports continued efforts to improve long-term financial sustainability at your institution. We look forward to learning more about the progress and impact of your multi-year funding initiatives over the next year and applaud your commitment to achieving the priorities of *Saskatchewan's Growth Plan for the Next Decade of Growth 2020-2030*.

This year, we are pleased to provide a total investment of \$120,618,600 for the University of Regina. The following appendices provide additional details about government's investment and its intended uses:

- Appendix 1 – Detailed Schedule of Funding; and,
- Appendix 2 – Funding Details.

The 2023-24 Budget includes investments that support the *Health Human Resources Action Plan* through significant expansion of health-related education programs. We look forward to working with you throughout the year to ensure these expansions are successful.

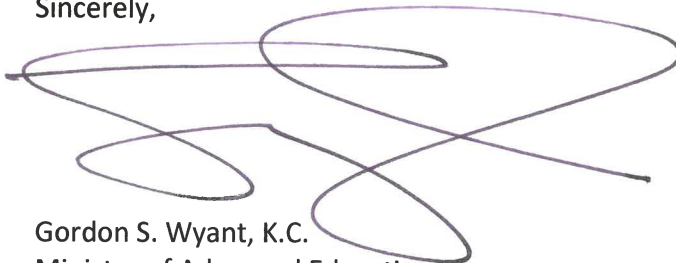
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Ministry officials will be in contact with representatives at your institution to discuss the following accountability requirements and due dates for 2023-24:

- **Agreement to Submit Required Multi-Year Funding Reporting** – due April 15, 2023 (as per Eligibility Criteria 1 in the *Saskatchewan Post-Secondary Multi-Year Operating Funding Memorandum of Understanding*);
- **Multi-Year Funding Accountability Reports** – due June 30, 2023, and January 31, 2024 (as per Eligibility Criteria 2 and 3 in the MOU);
- **Tuition Schedules** – due May 15, 2023 (as per Eligibility Criteria 2 in the MOU);
- **Revenue and Expenditure Reports** – due June 30, 2023; and,
- **Performance Framework Report** – due June 30, 2023.

We appreciate the contributions of your leadership team as we work together to strengthen the province's finances and ensure that investments made today result in sustainable programs, services, and infrastructure in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Gordon S. Wyant, K.C.  
Minister of Advanced Education

Attachments

cc: Dr. Jeff Keshen, President and Vice-Chancellor, University of Regina  
Dianne Ford, Vice-President, Administration, University of Regina  
Denise Macza, Deputy Minister of Advanced Education

**APPENDIX 1**  
**Detailed Schedule of Funding**  
**University of Regina**

**Funding Schedule April 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024**

|   | <b>2023-24<br/>Funding</b> | <b>2022-23<br/>Funding</b> |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b><u>Operating Funding</u></b>                                   |                            |                            |
| Base Operating Grant  | \$ 108,525,800             | \$ 108,525,800             |
| Multi-Year Funding Allocation                                     | —                          | 5,476,000                  |
| <b>Operating Grant as per MYF MOU*</b>                            | <b>\$ 108,525,800</b>      | <b>\$ 114,001,800</b>      |
| Nursing Seat Expansion  | 1,717,500                  | 837,500                    |
| <i>Health Human Resources Action Plan (see Appendix 2)</i>        | 469,400                    | —                          |
| <b>Total Operating Funding</b>                                    | <b>\$ 110,712,700</b>      | <b>\$ 114,839,300</b>      |
| <b><u>Other Funding</u></b>                                       |                            |                            |
| Supplementary Funding - Facilities                                | 1,005,000                  | 1,185,000                  |
| French Language Funding   | 1,001,000                  | 801,000                    |
| <b>Total Operating and Other Funding</b>                          | <b>\$ 112,718,700</b>      | <b>\$ 116,825,300</b>      |
| <b><u>Capital Funding</u></b>                                     |                            |                            |
| Preventative Maintenance and Renewal                              | 6,224,000                  | 5,324,000                  |
| <i>Health Human Resources Action Plan (see Appendix 2)</i>        | 500,000                    | —                          |
| Nursing Expansion Infrastructure                                  | 425,000                    | 430,000                    |
| <b>Total Capital Funding</b>                                      | <b>\$ 7,149,000</b>        | <b>\$ 5,754,000</b>        |
| <b><u>Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship</u></b> |                            |                            |
| Innovation Scholarships   | 383,900                    | 390,900                    |
| Opportunity Scholarships  | 325,000                    | 331,900                    |
| International Education Scholarships                              | 42,000                     | 43,000                     |
| <b>Total Scholarship Funding</b>                                  | <b>\$ 750,900</b>          | <b>\$ 765,800</b>          |
| <b>Total Funding</b>  | <b>\$ 120,618,600</b>      | <b>\$ 123,345,100</b>      |

\* MYF MOU = Saskatchewan Post-Secondary Multi-Year Operating Funding Memorandum of Understanding 2021-22 to 2024-25

**APPENDIX 2**  
**Funding Details**  
**University of Regina**

**Base Operating Funding**

**First Nations University of Canada Infrastructure**

The 2023-24 base operating grant includes **\$483,600** to compensate the University for infrastructure costs associated with First Nations University of Canada. Funding has been provided since 2006-07 for services such as snow removal, library usage and access to fitness facilities. This funding remains in place until First Nations University of Canada begins paying for these costs directly.

**Wascana Centre/Provincial Capital Commission**

The 2023-24 base operating grant includes **\$259,400** as flow through funding for Wascana Centre administered by the Provincial Capital Commission.

**Targeted Operating Funding**

**Nursing and Nurse Practitioner Programs**

The 2023-24 Budget includes **\$1,717,500** in targeted operating funding for the 2022 expansion including 62 seats in the Saskatchewan Collaborative Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program and 5 seats in the Collaborative Nurse Practitioner Program. This includes an increase of \$880,000 from 2022-23 to support incremental requirements in year two.

***Health Human Resources Action Plan***

On January 31, 2023, the Government of Saskatchewan announced a significant seat expansion in both domestic and inter-provincial health training programs to ensure a stable healthcare workforce across the province. The 2023-24 Budget provides **\$469,400** in new operating funding to support 8 additional Clinical Psychology MSc seats and 20 additional PhD seats at full implementation.

**French Language Regular Funding**

The La Cité and Le Bac programs at the University of Regina will receive **\$401,000** and **\$400,000** respectively for French Language in 2023-24 as part of their regular funding. La Cité will also receive an additional **\$200,000** to increase support for French second language instruction.

**French Language: Complementary Funding and Infrastructure Funding**

The ministry will pursue its efforts to negotiate additional Complementary Funding with Canadian Heritage in 2023-24 to increase inter-institutional capacity development and foster inter-institutional collaboration. A multi-year application for Complementary Funding and for an Infrastructure project have been submitted on behalf of La Cité to Canadian Heritage. Canadian Heritage has yet to confirm the outcome of this application.

## Capital Funding

The 2023-24 Budget includes **\$6,224,000** in Preventative Maintenance and Renewal funding for University of Regina. The base allocation plus any individual projects that have received approval and funding are shown below.

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Base Preventative Maintenance and Renewal Allocation  | \$ 5,324,000        |
| Partial funding to address fire code deficiencies including new fire doors and hardware, fire stopping materials, additional sprinkler systems and accessible stairwell fire door operators | 500,000             |
| Partial funding to address fire inspection deficiencies including adding fume hood duct access in the Lab Building and Research and Innovation Centre Building                              | 400,000             |
| <b>Total Preventative Maintenance and Renewal Funding</b>   | <b>\$ 6,224,000</b> |

The 2023-24 Budget also includes:

- **\$500,000** for renovations of student office and training clinic space for the Clinical Psychology MSc/PhD program expansion as part of the *Health Human Resources Action Plan*; and,
- **\$425,000** for simulation, artificial intelligence, distance delivery technology, offices and support spaces for employees and students for the 2022 nursing expansion in Regina. These plans are outlined in University of Regina proposals dated February 4, 2022 and January 24, 2023.

The Ministry of SaskBuilds and Procurement will work with post-secondary institutions on required reporting including provision of reporting templates.

Note: The 2022-23 Preventative Maintenance and Renewal allocation was increased by \$1,225,000 to \$6,549,000 as communicated in the Ministry of Advanced Education's April 21, 2022 letter.

### Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship Funding

The Ministry of Advanced Education will disburse Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship (SIOS) payments in **October 2023**. Annual allocations are subject to budget appropriation and institution ability to match funds in the previous year. Reporting and fundraising progress will be revisited with institutions prior to the 2024-25 Budget.

By **June 30, 2023**, post-secondary institutions are to submit a letter to the Ministry of Advanced Education regarding scholarship priority areas (i.e., student categories and programs) for the upcoming year. By **July 31, 2023**, institutions are required to report actual scholarship activity from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023.

Note: The 2022-23 SIOS allocation was reduced by \$14,900 to \$750,900 as communicated in the Ministry of Advanced Education's October 14, 2022 letter.