

Strategic Research Infrastructure Initiative (SRIi)

One of the goals in the 2030 Plan is to intensify our research efforts to enable discoveries that enrich and improve lives. Over the course of the 2022-23 academic year, we will launch a pan-University Initiative to develop a prioritized list of strategic investments in research infrastructure that UVA would like to make over the next decade to help reach this goal. This list will include investments that we plan to make using institutional funds, as well as aspirations that would be dependent on securing outside funding (e.g., state funds, philanthropy, or other extramural funds).

We are using the term "research infrastructure" broadly to encompass everything from the staff necessary to bring in money for research to the buildings and equipment necessary to do research and the translational resources to ensure our research has maximum impact.

nfrastructure to get money for research OSP Centers/Big Grants office Corporate and Foundation Relations Philanthropy Federal Relations State and Local Relations	 Infrastructure to do research Space Faculty/P.I.s Post-docs/grad students Research staff Equipment and cores Research computing Data Resources and Analytics Library Regulatory support (EHS, IRB, etc.) 	 Infrastructure to ensure research has impact Communications Licensing and Entrepreneurship Translational/clinical support Translational/policy support Support for other types of dissemination Support for honors/awards/national academy memberships, etc.
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TIMELINE Sept – Dec April - May Research Enterprise Assessment Steering Committee compiles and Benchmarking and prioritizes recommendations for PERT (by consultants) August Jan - Mar May - June Appoint Steering Working Groups PERT finalizes. Committee: develop Implementation Hire consultants recommendations Begins

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Steering Committee

Leadership has assembled a Steering Committee who will oversee this initiative. It includes a member from each school (usually an associate dean or a faculty member), as well as representatives from other key units such as the Library, Operations, and the provost office. Catherine Bradshaw (Senior Associate Dean for Research and Faculty Development at SEHD, and Faculty Fellow in the VPR office) is chairing the committee and Ian Baucom and Ram Ramasubramanian are the executive sponsors.

Consultants

UVA has hired Manatt (outside consultants) to conduct a University-wide assessment of the research enterprise and to provide benchmarking against peer and aspirational peer universities. They will gather and analyze internal data, conduct stakeholder interviews, and develop a range of scenarios for each potential area of investment.

Working Groups

The Steering Committee will assemble internal working groups of subject matter experts for most of the potential areas of investment. These working groups will vet the consultants' data and scenarios and make prioritized recommendations. Each group will include faculty and staff. The working groups will also be asked to identify policy changes and cultural changes that would improve research efforts in the area. There will also be a working group estimating the costs for the potential investments.

Recommendation to PERT

The Steering Committee will compile and prioritize the recommendations from the Working Groups and make a recommendation to PERT (the President's Executive Roundtable: President Ryan, Ian Baucom, JJ Davis, and Craig Kent).

Decision and Implementation

PERT will finalize the list of potential investments and determine which we should implement using institutional funds and which will be aspirational. Investments will begin in summer 2023.



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