



Research in VCU's SCHOOL OF EDUCATION



VCU School of Education

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION Quick Facts

115

teaching &
research faculty

4

academic
departments

US News & World
Report

16th

Best Public Graduate
School of Education
and

3rd

Best online graduate
programs in education

\$26 million

external research
funding in FY 2018

56%

success rate

RESEARCH and Community-Engaged CENTERS AND INSTITUTES

- Center for School-Community Collaboration
- Center for Teacher Leadership
- Child Development Center
- Metropolitan Educational Research Consortium (MERC)*
- Partnership for People with Disabilities*
- Rehabilitation Research and Training Center*
- The Literacy Institute at VCU

10-year Trajectory of Sponsored Awards

SOE Total Sponsored Awards

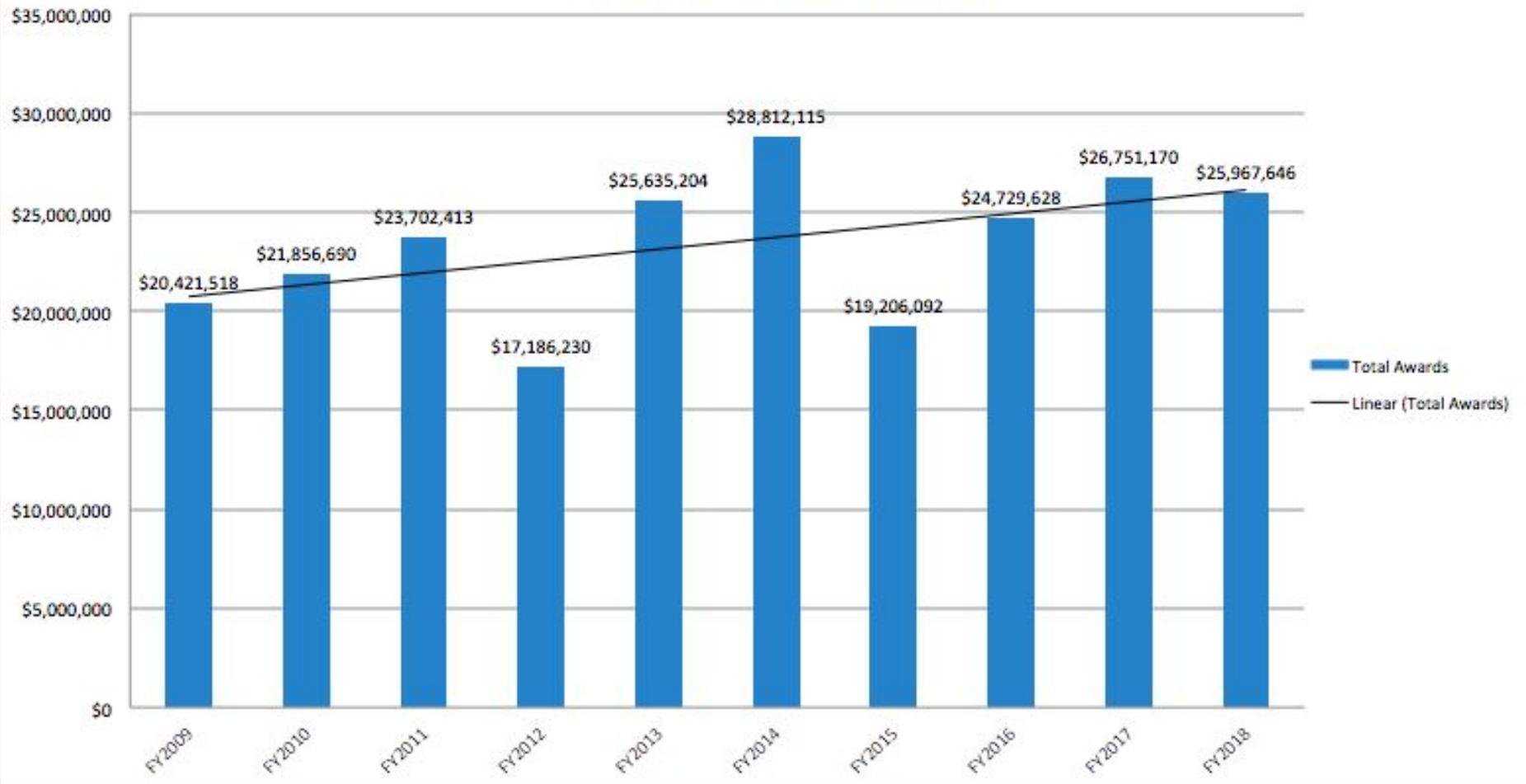
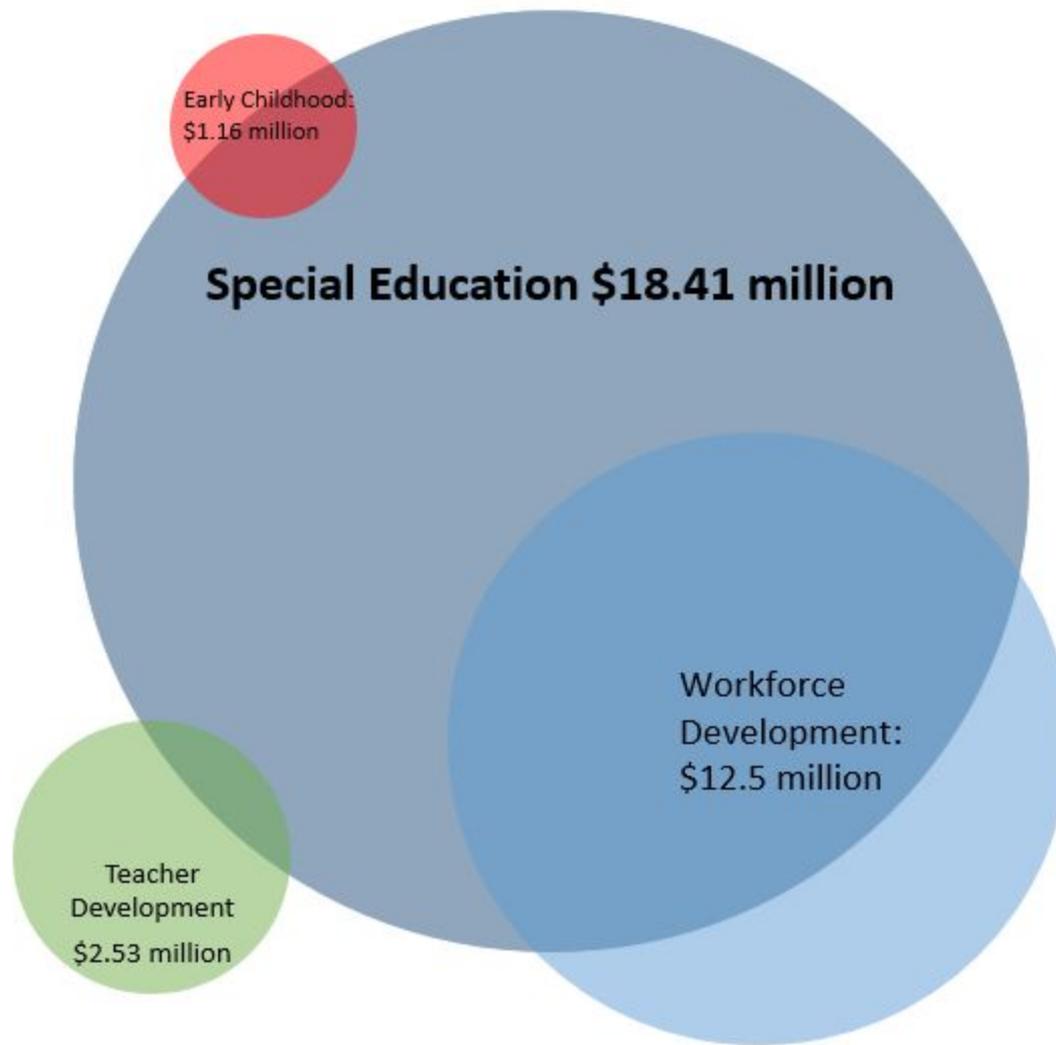


Figure 1. SOE ten year trend line and sponsored awards

FY2018 SOE Awards by Subject Area

Total
FY18
funding:
\$26M



SOE's Strengths

- Diverse funding portfolio
 - NSF, IES, DHHS, DOJ, Virginia departments (e.g., Ed, DARS, HHS)
- Commitment to community engagement
 - Long term partnerships with school divisions and community organizations
- Incredible new faculty
- Leader in training grants

Leader in Training Grants

Over \$71M in training grants since 2013



Funding Sources:

NSF, Institute of Education Sciences & DoE, Virginia DOE, DHHS

Types of grants:

Investigator development, teacher training, special educator training

Success rates:

78% overall
-55% federal
-85% non federal

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SOE's Challenges

Diverse portfolio → less obvious research focus

Community-engaged research emphasis

→ lower average FACR rate

→ nature of research is different than other units with large external funding portfolios

Space, resources, and salaries out of step with reputation

Need to increase interdisciplinary collaboration

Research Goals

In FY18:

**36 research grant submissions
(out of 104)**

**56% hit rate
all submissions**

By FY 21:

**60 research grant submissions/
year**

**Hold other submissions
steady**

\$40M external funding

**Continuing:
Broaden funding
portfolio**

