

Research and Innovation

VCU Research and Innovation by the numbers

Research excellence

- \$567million in combined awards for sponsored programs for research
- \$200.1 million federal awards
- *47th in R&D expenditures among public institutions
- *1 of top 20 most innovative public universities by U.S. News & World Report's 2024 Best Colleges
- *Top 100 for patents by National Academy of Inventors

Sponsored program awards FY18-FY25: 109% increase

- 2025: \$567 million
- 2024: \$506 million
- 2023: \$464 million
- 2022: \$405 million
- 2021: \$363 million
- 2020: \$335 million
- 2019: \$308 million
- 2018: \$271 million

Annual and sponsored awards reports

Clinical research*

- \$92.6 million
- 5,500+ total active participants enrolled in clinical research (identified individuals)
- 1,929 enrolled across all active clinical trials
- 364 faculty-led, VCU designed clinical studies
 - 129 faculty-led VCU designed clinical trials
- 32 VCU held active drug / device registrations
 - 4 VCU held new drug / device registrations
- 718 active clinical trials at VCU/VCUHS
- 1,073 clinical research studies

VCU commercialization efforts

- 106 invention disclosures
- 166 patents filed
- 27 patents issued
- 13 licenses to start-ups
- 8 new start-ups
- \$3.7 million licensing revenue