

Algoma University - Research Support Fund 2025-2026

A strategic investment of the 2025-2026 Research Support Funds enabled Algoma University to hire a Research Outreach Officer (ROO), significantly strengthening institutional research capacity and support for faculty, staff, and students. The position was created to enhance research development by providing dedicated expertise in identifying funding opportunities, supporting grant applications, and additional resources.

The Research Outreach Officer serves as a central point of contact for researchers throughout the research lifecycle. By working closely with faculty members, the ROO helps identify funding programs, coordinates proposal development, facilitates interdisciplinary partnerships, and connects researchers with community, industry, and Indigenous partners. This support has improved the quality and competitiveness of grant applications while reducing administrative barriers for researchers.

The position has also strengthened research communication across the university by promoting funding opportunities, organizing workshops and information sessions, and increasing awareness of available research services. These activities have contributed to a more connected and collaborative research environment, encouraging greater participation in research and knowledge mobilization.

By investing Research Support Funds in this dedicated role, Algoma University is working towards building sustainable institutional capacity to support research excellence. The Research Outreach Officer has enhanced the university's ability to secure external funding, expand strategic partnerships, and advance impactful research that addresses regional priorities and benefits communities across Northern Ontario and beyond. This investment continues to strengthen Algoma University's research culture and position as a growing research institution.