

## Strategic Priorities Fund – Final Allocations for 2021/22

In support of key priorities outlined in Western’s new strategic plan—[Towards Western @ 150](#)—the University made available \$20 million in one-time funding for initiatives and activities aimed at advancing the plan’s strategic commitments.

Faculty and staff from academic and administrative units across campus were invited to submit proposals in three funding rounds in November 2021, January 2022, and April 2022.

Proposals were reviewed by Western’s senior leadership team on the basis of five criteria:

- 1) Alignment with strategic plan; 2) Benefits at the institutional level and corresponding measures of success; 3) Benefits at the Faculty/unit level and corresponding measures of success; 4) Plan and budget soundness; 5) Project feasibility.

All three rounds attracted a total of 109 proposals—a diverse range of high-quality initiatives from Faculties, Schools, and Administrative Units across campus. The following 39 projects have been awarded total funding of \$18.9M.

Congratulations to all project leads and their colleagues.

Project Name	Project Lead(s)	Round
Advancing Sustainable Transportation on Campus with EV Charging Stations	Heather Hyde	3
Anatomy WALS (Western Active Learning Spaces) Beyond Walls	Danielle Brewer-Deluce	2
Bkejwanong Greenhouse Project	Desmond Moser, Clint Jacobs	2
Canadian Severe Storms Lab	Katsu Goda, Greg Kopp	1
Carbon Solutions at Western University	Andrew Hrymak	1
Career Launch & Professional Development Programs for New Graduates	Katie Osborne, Terry Rice	1
Celebrating Indigenous Knowledge through the Arts—Engagement and Recruitment Strategy	Michael Kim, Spy Denomme-Welch, Christy Bressette	3
Community Leadership, Engagement, and Entrepreneurship Lab (CLEE)	Michael Kim	1
Community Legal Services Expansion	Kimberly Gagan	1
Community-Based Social Science Research Consultancy	Marc Joannis	2
Connecting for Climate Change Action	Katrina Moser	2
Cultivating Alumni Partnerships for Work Integrated Learning	Sarah Dawson	1
Documenting and Teaching the Art of Stained Glass through Digital Technology	Cody Barteet, Courtney Waugh	3
End-to-End Space Instrumentation Facility for Developing & Operating CubeSats	Jayshri Sabarinathan	3
Experimental Climate Change Research Centre (Biotron)	David Coltman	1
Fugitive Pasts: The Black Londoners Digital Archive	Miranda Green-Barteet, Alyssa MacLean	3
Frugal Biomedical Innovations	James Lacefield	1
Indigenous Learning Space Programming	Paula Cornelius Hedgepeth	2
Indigenous STEM Access Program	Craig Miller	3
Indigenous STEM Scholars Program	Craig Miller	2
Interdisciplinary Oral Health Outreach & Community Services in Southwestern Ontario	Abbas Jessani	3
International Student Welcome Program	Megan Sager	1
Leading AI Education—A Strategy for Attracting Talent to Western	Mike Katchabaw	3
Medical Science Community Outreach Program	Jennifer Devlin, Jefferson Frisbee, Sarah McLean, Jedd Sardido	1
Multidisciplinary Graduate Program in Climate Risk	Greg Kopp, Kamran Siddiqui	1
Personalized Assessment Leads to Success (PALS) Learning Collaboration	Colin King	3

Research Engagement Collaborative Alliance with Partners (RECAP)	Kevin Shoemaker	3
Smart Cities and Communities Laboratory for Interdisciplinary Learning	Ayan Sadhu	3
Summer Schools for LIS Professionals in Sub-Saharan Africa	Isola Ajiferuke	3
Student Fellowship Program with London Symphonia	Michael Kim	3
Teaching and Sharing Strategies for Sustainability in the Museums Sector	Kirsty Robinson, Sarah E.K. Smith	2
Thinking Globally, Acting Locally: Students Driving Sustainable Development	Linda Miller, Jacquelyn Burkell	2
Toronto District School Board Partnership	Erin Huner	1
Wartime Canada – A Digital Resource	Jonathan Vance	1
Western Centre for Digital Justice & Democracy	Alissa Centivany, Alison Hearn, Joanna Redden, Luke Stark	3
WE Empower	Souzan Armstrong	1
Western Immersive Reality Education & Development Lab	Paul Mensink	1
Western International Piano Camp	Michael Kim	1
Western Research Scholars Academy	Carolyn Paterson, Mariam Hayward	3