

First Nations University of Canada

Financial Statements
For the year ended March 31, 2024



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Governors of First Nations University of Canada Inc.

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of First Nations University of Canada Inc. (the "University"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2024, and the statement of operations and changes in fund balances and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the University as at March 31, 2024, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the University in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other Matter

The financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2023 were audited by another auditor, who expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements on November 1, 2024.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises:

- The information, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon, included in the Annual Report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

We obtained the Annual Report prior to the date of this auditor's report. If, based on the work we have performed on this other information, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact in this auditor's report. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the University's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the University or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the University's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the University's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the University's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the University to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Chartered Professional Accountants

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
February 27, 2025



First Nations University of Canada Inc.

Statement of Financial Position

As at March 31, 2024

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash	21,132,226	21,480,363
Accounts receivable (note 3)	1,774,525	2,722,165
Prepaid expenses	495,765	447,454
	<u>23,402,516</u>	<u>24,649,982</u>
Non-current assets		
Tangible capital assets (note 4)	22,142,004	21,952,989
Intangible assets (note 4)	146,974	158,770
Collections (note 5)	1	1
Investments (note 6)	2,905,873	2,599,289
	<u>48,597,368</u>	<u>49,361,031</u>
Liabilities and fund balances		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 7)	2,775,877	2,618,184
Deferred income (note 8)	916,157	964,982
Deferred revenue (note 8)	4,554,518	2,967,324
Scheduled repayments of demand instalment loan (note 10)	706,674	661,025
	<u>8,953,226</u>	<u>7,211,515</u>
Demand instalment loan (note 10)	6,426,295	7,183,821
	<u>15,379,521</u>	<u>14,395,336</u>
Non-current liabilities		
Deferred contributions (note 11)	11,436,163	11,772,912
	<u>26,815,684</u>	<u>26,168,248</u>
Fund balances		
Internally restricted (note 12)	14,368,249	17,176,802
Invested in tangible capital assets and intangible assets	3,719,847	2,494,002
Unrestricted	1,680,684	1,847,882
Externally restricted (note 12)	1,447,354	1,108,547
Endowment	565,550	565,550
	<u>21,781,684</u>	<u>23,192,783</u>
	<u>48,597,368</u>	<u>49,361,031</u>
Commitments (note 14)		

Approved on behalf of the Board of Governors


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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Operations and Changes in Fund Balances
For the year ended December 31, 2024

	General \$	Trust \$	Research \$	Endowment \$	Total 2024 \$	Total 2023 \$
Revenue						
Administration fees	2,971	-	-	-	2,971	12,000
Amortization of deferred contributions (note 11)	543,213	-	-	-	543,213	542,597
Café sales	81,302	-	-	-	81,302	-
Community-based program academic fees	525,620	-	-	-	525,620	660,209
COVID-19 (note 8)	543,339	-	-	-	543,339	1,517,047
Daycare	1,266,427	-	-	-	1,266,427	1,083,198
Donations	-	70,652	-	-	70,652	363,177
Facility lease	109,763	-	-	-	109,763	106,336
Federal government grant	7,000,000	-	-	-	7,000,000	7,000,000
Indigenous Centre for Continuing Education	949,901	-	-	-	949,901	1,081,060
Interest	1,102,256	-	-	-	1,102,256	499,548
Investments	-	72,358	-	-	72,358	(1,729)
Other	82,714	-	-	-	82,714	92,140
Parking lot	60,743	-	-	-	60,743	14,989
Provincial government grant	3,674,300	-	-	-	3,674,300	3,920,900
Research projects	-	-	795,649	-	795,649	408,867
Special projects (note 8)	1,286,914	-	-	-	1,286,914	698,039
Sponsorship	-	-	-	-	-	30,000
Student academic fees	10,130,994	-	-	-	10,130,994	9,455,991
	<u>27,360,457</u>	<u>143,010</u>	<u>795,649</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,299,116</u>	<u>27,484,369</u>
Expenses						
Academic instruction	10,038,820	-	-	-	10,038,820	9,594,180
Administration	4,856,323	-	-	-	4,856,323	4,149,438
Amortization of tangible and intangible assets	1,307,828	-	-	-	1,307,828	1,228,637
Bad debt expense (recovery)	1,084,726	-	-	-	1,084,726	(13,875)
Community-based academic programs	894,345	-	-	-	894,345	1,000,471
Computing and communications	712,057	-	-	-	712,057	764,828
Daycare	1,291,077	-	-	-	1,291,077	1,050,795
Indigenous Centre for Continuing Education	1,103,230	-	-	-	1,103,230	933,213
Interest on demand instalment loan	402,349	-	-	-	402,349	514,176
Leases, maintenance and repairs	2,860,255	-	-	-	2,860,255	2,682,553
Library	502,165	-	-	-	502,165	449,082
Parking lot	98,617	-	-	-	98,617	134,107
Research projects	-	-	444,999	-	444,999	304,083
Scholarships, bursaries and grants	-	192,747	-	-	192,747	111,625
Special projects	1,286,914	-	-	-	1,286,914	698,039
Student services	2,633,763	-	-	-	2,633,763	2,530,874
	<u>29,072,469</u>	<u>192,747</u>	<u>444,999</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,710,215</u>	<u>26,132,226</u>
Surplus (deficit) of revenue over expenses	<u>(1,712,012)</u>	<u>(49,737)</u>	<u>350,650</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,411,099)</u>	<u>1,352,143</u>
Fund balances, beginning of year	4,341,884	17,997,729	287,620	565,550	23,192,783	21,840,640
Interfund transfers (note 13)	2,770,659	(2,770,659)	-	-	-	-
Fund balances, end of year	<u>5,400,531</u>	<u>15,177,333</u>	<u>638,270</u>	<u>565,550</u>	<u>21,781,684</u>	<u>23,192,783</u>

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Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended March 31, 2024

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash flows from (used in) operating activities		
Surplus (deficit) of revenue over expenses	(1,411,099)	1,352,143
Item not involving cash		
Amortization of tangible capital and intangible assets	1,307,828	1,228,637
Bad debt expense (recovery)	1,084,726	(13,875)
Amortization of deferred contributions	(543,213)	(542,597)
Interest earned on investments and reinvested	(306,584)	7,327
Change in non-cash operating working capital		
Accounts receivable	(137,086)	956,172
Prepaid expenses	(48,311)	(37,201)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	157,693	991,457
Deferred income	(48,825)	176,854
Deferred revenue	1,587,194	(113,262)
	<u>1,642,323</u>	<u>4,005,655</u>
Cash flows from (used in) investing activities		
Purchase of tangible capital assets	<u>(1,485,047)</u>	<u>(1,573,794)</u>
Cash flows from (used in) financing activities		
Receipt of deferred contributions	206,464	387,684
Repayment of demand instalment loan	<u>(711,877)</u>	<u>(621,365)</u>
	<u>(505,413)</u>	<u>(233,681)</u>
Change in cash during the year	(348,137)	2,198,180
Cash - Beginning of year	<u>21,480,363</u>	<u>19,282,183</u>
Cash - End of year	<u><u>21,132,226</u></u>	<u><u>21,480,363</u></u>

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1 Purpose of First Nations University of Canada Inc.

The First Nations University of Canada Inc. (the University) is a First Nations controlled, post-secondary educational institution providing educational opportunities to both First Nations and non-First Nations students. It is incorporated under the Non-Profit Corporations Act of Saskatchewan, and its Regina campus is located on the atim kê-mihkosit reserve, which is federally designated urban reserve land. The University's mission is to enhance the quality of life, and to preserve, protect, and interpret the history, language, culture, and artistic heritage of First Nations. The University is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act (Canada) and accordingly is exempt from income taxes.

2 Summary of significant accounting policies

The financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2024 have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations outlined in Part III of the CPA Canada Handbook. The following summary of significant accounting policies contains a description of the accounting methods and practices that are used by the University.

a) Basis of presentation

The University follows the restricted fund method of accounting for contributions. Under fund accounting, resources are classified for accounting and reporting purposes into funds in accordance with specified activities or objectives. The statement of operations and changes in fund balances shows the total revenue and expenses of the University after elimination of interfund transactions with ancillary and internal cost recoveries. The University has classified accounts with similar characteristics into major funds as follows:

General Fund

The General Fund accounts for the University's program delivery, service and administrative activities. This fund reports unrestricted contributions and revenue, as well as restricted contributions for the purchase of tangible capital assets and funds restricted for special projects.

Endowment Fund

The Endowment Fund reports permanently restricted contributions and revenue that are subject to externally imposed restrictions stating that contributed resources are to be maintained permanently.

Restricted Fund

The Restricted Fund reports only restricted resources that are to be used for specific purposes. The restricted Fund is further classified into the Research and Trust Funds. The Research Fund records revenue and expenses specifically for research projects as identified by the granting agencies, research institutions and other public and private organizations. The Trust Fund consists of both internally and externally restricted resources that may be used in their entirety within the restrictions established by the provider of the funds or the Board of Governors.

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b) Tangible capital assets and intangible assets

Purchased tangible capital assets are recorded at cost. Contributed tangible capital assets are recorded at fair value at the date of contribution. Repairs and maintenance costs are charged as an expense. Betterments, which extend the estimated life of a tangible capital asset, are capitalized. When a tangible capital asset or intangible asset no longer contributes to the University's ability to provide services, the carrying amount is written down to its residual value. Tangible capital assets and intangible assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Building	40 years
Daycare playground	20 years
Library	10 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	8 years
Leasehold improvements	5 years
Signage	5 years
Computer equipment	4 years
Intangible asset (software)	Life of agreement
Intangible asset (licensing agreement)	50 years

Patents, research and development licenses and internally developed websites have not been recorded by the University as intangible assets. Amounts of future economic benefit that the University may receive from these items are not to be measured or determined with any certainty nor is the cost of creating or obtaining the items able to be reliably determined.

c) Collections

The University has acquired collections of artifacts and works of art that are rare and unique and are of an historic, cultural or artistic interest to the University. Collection items are protected and preserved and held for public display, education and research purposes. Collections are recorded at nominal value since cost cannot be reasonably determined. Artwork is treated as a collection and, accordingly, is not being amortized.

d) Revenue recognition

The University follows the restricted fund method whereby externally restricted revenue is recognized in the fund corresponding to the purpose for which it was received. Restricted revenue for which no corresponding restricted fund is presented is recognized in the General Fund in accordance with the deferral method. Unrestricted revenue is recognized in the General Fund in the year it is received or receivable if the amount can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Since there is no corresponding fund, contributions restricted for the purchase of tangible assets are deferred and amortized into revenue at a rate corresponding with the amortization rate for the related tangible assets. In addition, funds used or restricted for special projects are deferred until there is a related expense, at which time the funds are recognized into revenue. Student academic fees are recognized as revenue in the year the related classes are held. Investment income is recognized as revenue when the revenue is earned.

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e) Financial instruments

The University initially measures its financial assets and liabilities at fair value. The University subsequently measures its financial assets and liabilities at cost or amortized cost, except for investments in equity instruments that are quoted in an active market, which are measured at fair value. Changes in the fair value of these financial instruments are recognized in the year as unrealized gains or losses in the statement of operations and changes in fund balances.

Transaction costs related to financial instruments that will be subsequently measured at fair value are recognized in the statement of operations and changes in fund balances in the year incurred. Transaction costs related to financial instruments subsequently measured at amortized cost are included in the original cost of the asset or liability and recognized in the statement of operations and changes in fund balances over the life of the instrument using the straight-line method.

For financial assets measured at cost or amortized cost, the University determines whether there are indications of possible impairment. When there is an indication of impairment, and the University determines that a significant adverse change has occurred during the year in the expected timing or amount of future cash flows, a write-down is recognized in the statement of operations and changes in fund balances. A previously recognized impairment loss may be reversed to the extent of the improvement. The carrying amount of the financial asset may not be greater than the amount that would have been reported at the date of the reversal had the impairment not been recognized previously. The amount of the reversal is recognized in the statement of operations and changes in fund balances in the year that the reversal occurs.

Related party financial instruments quoted in an active market or those with observable inputs significant to the determination of fair value or derivative contracts are recorded at fair value at initial recognition. All other related party financial instruments are recorded at cost at initial recognition. As of March 31, 2024 and during the year then ended, the University did not have any related party financial instruments.

f) Hedge accounting

The University enters into interest rate swap agreements to manage the risk of fluctuating interest rates on its variable rate debt. When, both at the inception of a hedging relationship and through its term, the University has reasonable assurance that the critical terms of the hedging item and the hedged item are the same, the University may choose to apply hedge accounting.

The University holds interest rate swaps to protect against changes in interest rates on floating-rate debt, which it designates as a hedge of an interest-bearing liability and to which it applies hedge accounting. When hedge accounting is applied, interest rate swaps are not recognized in the statement of financial position.

Interest rate swaps in qualifying hedging relationships are not recognized until their maturity. Net amounts receivable or payable on the interest rate swaps are recognized as an adjustment to the interest expense on the hedged item in the year during which they accrue.

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Hedge accounting may not be electively discontinued. If an interest rate swap is discontinued, any gain or loss is recognized as an adjustment to the debt and amortized to the statement of operations and changes in fund balances as interest payments are accrued.

g) Defined contribution plan

The University contributes to a defined contribution pension plan for its employees. Contributions are in accordance with the respective collective bargaining agreements for in-scope employees. Out-of-scope employee contributions follow the Administrative, Professional and Technical employee collective bargaining agreement. In the current fiscal year the total employer contributions made to the plans was \$815,200 (2023 - \$780,377)

h) Use of estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include the underlying estimations of useful lives of tangible capital assets and intangible assets, the carrying amounts of accounts receivable and the underlying provision for bad debts, and the assessment of contingencies and accrued liabilities. Actual results could differ from the estimates made by management.

3 Accounts receivable

	2024 \$	2023 \$
General receivables, net of allowance for doubtful accounts	1,273,557	1,841,481
Tuition receivables	449,688	708,587
Due from the University of Regina	-	154,040
GST receivable and travel advances	51,280	18,057
	<u>1,774,525</u>	<u>2,722,165</u>

During the year, \$1,084,726 of bad debt expense was recorded in administration expenses (2023 - \$13,875 recovery). General receivables include an allowance for doubtful accounts of \$748,801 (2023 - nil).

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4 Tangible capital assets and intangible assets

	Cost \$	Accumulated amortization \$	2024 \$	2023 \$
Tangible capital assets				
Land	106,625	-	106,625	106,625
Land development costs	1,127,573	-	1,127,573	447,268
Building	38,253,708	19,360,236	18,893,472	19,674,126
Daycare playground	711,941	-	711,941	287,819
Leasehold improvements	1,176,198	595,086	581,112	626,824
Library	3,421,767	3,069,595	352,172	384,481
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5,952,153	5,634,679	317,474	359,458
Signage	52,359	23,774	28,585	39,056
Computer equipment	2,777,841	2,754,791	23,050	27,332
	<u>53,580,165</u>	<u>31,438,161</u>	<u>22,142,004</u>	<u>21,952,989</u>
Intangible assets				
Software	102,965	25,741	77,224	87,520
Licensing agreement	75,000	5,250	69,750	71,250
	<u>177,965</u>	<u>30,991</u>	<u>146,974</u>	<u>158,770</u>

5 Collections

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Artwork and artifacts	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

During the year the University did not purchase or dispose of any artwork in its collections.

6 Investments

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Pooled funds		
Endowment	2,220,052	1,985,827
Scholarships	685,821	613,462
	<u>2,905,873</u>	<u>2,599,289</u>

Pooled fund investments are held in a balanced pooled fund on behalf of the University by the University of Regina. The fund has no fixed distribution rate and fund returns are based on success of the fund manager.

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7 Accounts payable and accrued liabilities

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Employee wages and benefits payable	1,386,019	1,178,627
Trade accounts payable	1,334,149	1,404,153
Other payables and accrued liabilities	55,709	35,404
	<u>2,775,877</u>	<u>2,618,184</u>

8 Deferred income and deferred revenue

Deferred income represents tuition payments and community-based program academic fee payments relating to the next fiscal year, Indigenous Centre for Continuing Education contract payments received relating to the next fiscal year, and lease deposits received. The deferred income balance is comprised as follows:

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Tuition fees	541,716	435,866
Indigenous Centre for Continuing Education	305,716	490,465
Community-based program academic fees	57,469	27,720
Lease deposits	11,256	10,931
	<u>916,157</u>	<u>964,982</u>

Deferred revenue represents restricted operating funding received in the current year for special projects that will be carried over to cover operating expenses for these special projects in the subsequent year.

Deferred revenue also contains unexpended funding received from Indigenous Services Canada for COVID-19 relief that is intended to cover various support and relief in the subsequent year. Changes in the deferred revenue are as follows:

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Special projects and COVID-19 relief		
Balance, beginning of year	2,967,324	3,080,586
Plus: amounts received in the year	3,417,447	2,101,824
Less: amounts recognized as revenue in the year	<u>(1,830,253)</u>	<u>(2,215,086)</u>
Balance, end of year	<u>4,554,518</u>	<u>2,967,324</u>

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9 Line of credit

The University has an authorized line of credit to a maximum of \$500,000 bearing interest at prime (note 10) and secured by a general security agreement. As of March 31, 2024, no amounts were drawn against this line of credit (2023 - \$nil).

10 Demand instalment loan

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Mortgage payable at an interest rate of CIBC prime plus 0.5%, repayable in monthly instalments of \$99,668 and due June 2032. Secured by a first mortgage on the building located at the University of Regina and a general security agreement. Callable on demand. Less: scheduled repayments in next 12 months	7,132,969 <u>(706,674)</u>	7,844,846 <u>(661,025)</u>
	<u>6,426,295</u>	<u>7,183,821</u>

The CIBC prime interest rate as of March 31, 2024 is 7.20% (2023 - 6.70%). Required principal repayments in each of the next five years and thereafter, calculated using the minimum required payments, are as follows:

	\$
2025	706,674
2026	748,047
2027	791,793
2028	838,128
2029	887,479
Thereafter	3,160,848

An interest rate swap is designated as a hedge of the interest rate risk in the University's floating rate debt issue. The swap matures on the maturity date of the debt and requires the organization to pay 5.725% fixed rate. The floating rate side of the swap exactly matches the interest payments on the debt. The swap is not recognized on the University's financial statements and interest in the debt issue is recognized at the fixed amount specified in the swap. Since all payments are due on the last day of each month, no amounts are accrued at year end.

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11 Deferred contributions

Deferred contributions relate to tangible capital assets and contributions received for specified other purposes for which no fund is maintained and for which expenses will be incurred in a future year. Amortization of deferred contributions is recorded as revenue in the statement of operations and changes in fund balances as the related tangible capital assets are amortized or as the related expenses are incurred:

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Balance, beginning of year	11,772,912	11,927,825
Contributions received and deferred in the year	206,464	387,684
Deferred contributions amortized in the year	(543,213)	(542,597)
	<u>11,436,163</u>	<u>11,772,912</u>

12 Restricted fund balances

Externally restricted funds	2024 \$	2023 \$
Scholarships	809,084	820,927
Research	638,270	287,620
	<u>1,447,354</u>	<u>1,108,547</u>

Internally restricted funds

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Prince Albert campus development	7,850,000	7,850,000
Capital purchases	1,650,587	2,425,587
Growth	1,567,615	2,968,619
Non-expendable capital maintenance	1,146,740	1,087,249
Scholarships	909,380	843,777
Student support and traditional knowledge	654,396	1,091,570
Research	351,800	510,000
Indigenous Centre for Continuing Education	237,731	400,000
	<u>14,368,249</u>	<u>17,176,802</u>

Internally restricted fund for scholarships includes trust funds and investment income that are expendable for scholarships at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee. Non-expendable capital maintenance funds consist of interest earned on an endowment balance of \$400,000, from which the Board of Governors has restricted 4% compounding interest per annum, totalling \$1,146,740 at March 31, 2024 (2023 - \$1,087,249).

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13 Interfund transfers

Each year, the University transfers amounts between its funds for various purposes, including reassigning fund balances to support certain activities. Transfers from (to) the General Fund to (from) the Restricted Trust Fund during the year were as follows:

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Growth	(1,401,004)	468,619
Capital purchases	(775,000)	(271,172)
Student support and traditional knowledge Indigenous Centre for Continuing Education	(413,676)	518,140
Research	(162,269)	-
Non-expendable capital maintenance	(143,200)	(190,000)
Scholarships	59,490	57,202
	65,000	60,298
	<u>(2,770,659)</u>	<u>643,087</u>

14 Commitments

The University has entered into lease agreements for certain of its office equipment and buildings. The expected future minimum payments for the next five years and thereafter for these commitments are:

	\$
2025	971,503
2026	717,000
2027	510,180
2028	505,814
2029	505,814
Thereafter	<u>1,865,317</u>
	<u>5,075,628</u>

15 Board and executive compensation

During the year, the University paid honorariums and expenses in the amount of \$66,749 (2023 - \$20,310) to board members. Executive compensation is included in salaries and benefits in Administration expenses.

16 Risk management and financial instruments

Transactions in financial instruments may result in an enterprise assuming or transferring to another party one or more of the financial risks described below. The required disclosures provide information that assists users of financial statements in assessing the extent of risk related to financial instruments.

Credit risk

The University's principal financial assets are cash, accounts receivable and investments. The carrying amounts of the financial assets in the statement of financial position represent the University's maximum credit exposure at the statement of financial position date.

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The amounts disclosed in the statement of financial position are net of an allowance for doubtful accounts, estimated based on previous experience and an assessment of the current economic environment. Apart from the cash position of the University being with one primary financial institution and the amount due from the University of Regina, the University does not have significant exposure to any individual counterparty.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the University is unable to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The University manages this risk by managing its cash resources and having a line of credit available to it (note 9).

The University is required to submit its financial statements to the bank and certain funders within 120 days of year-end. The University is in violation of this covenant.

Market risk

The University is exposed to interest rate risk from its demand instalment loan (note 10).

The University has entered into an interest rate swap agreement to address the interest rate risk inherent in the demand instalment loan, which accrues interest at prime plus 1.25%. Under the terms of the agreement, the University receives from the counterparty a monthly payment equal to the variable amount of interest on the demand instalment loan and pays the counterparty a fixed rate of 5.725%.

The notional value of the interest rate swap on March 31, 2024 is \$7,132,969 (2023 - \$7,844,846) with a term maturity of June 30, 2032. The impact of the rates on the demand instalment loan and on the interest rate swap is reflected in the statement of operations and changes in fund balances as interest on demand instalment loan of \$402,349 (2023 - \$514,176).

The University's investments are in a pooled fund (note 6) and, accordingly, are subject to equity price risk.

The University is not subject to foreign exchange risk.

17 Comparative figures

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation.

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Schedule 1 - Expenses

Unaudited

For the year ended March 31, 2024

	Functional Area									2024 \$	2023 \$
	Academic instruction \$	Community-based academic programs \$	Daycare \$	Student services \$	Leases, maintenance & repairs \$	Library \$	Computing and communications \$	Administration \$	Indigenous Centre for Continuing Education \$		
Salaries and benefits	8,610,157	831,909	1,214,450	2,083,794	747,235	446,938	350,369	2,082,303	613,927	16,981,082	16,805,048
Space rental and occupancy	-	-	-	-	1,848,669	-	62,841	218	-	1,911,728	1,775,637
Student activities	260,026	14,344	-	134,214	-	-	-	54,020	-	462,604	384,058
Supplies and services	1,061,779	20,964	76,627	369,488	255,271	49,734	292,153	2,513,086	484,061	5,123,163	3,633,488
Travel	106,858	27,130	-	46,267	9,080	5,493	6,694	206,696	5,242	413,460	557,203
	10,038,820	894,347	1,291,077	2,633,763	2,860,255	502,165	712,057	4,856,323	1,103,230	24,892,037	23,155,434
Amortization of capital assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,307,828	-	1,307,828	1,228,637
Bad debt expense (recovery)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,084,726	-	1,084,726	(13,875)
Interest on demand instalment loan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	402,349	-	402,349	514,176
Parking lot	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	98,617	-	98,617	134,107
Research projects (Schedule 4)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	444,999	-	444,999	304,083
Scholarships, bursaries and grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	192,747	-	192,747	111,625
Special projects (Schedule 5)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,286,914	-	1,286,914	698,039
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,818,180	-	4,818,180	2,976,792
	10,038,820	894,347	1,291,077	2,633,763	2,860,255	502,165	712,057	9,674,503	1,103,230	29,710,217	26,132,226

Executive compensation is included in salaries and benefits in Administration expenses.

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Schedule 2 - Research Project Revenue

Unaudited

For the year ended March 31, 2024

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
University of Regina	485,003	260,509
University of Saskatchewan	141,500	137,000
Canadian Institutes of Health Research	128,138	-
University of Waterloo	33,333	-
University of British Columbia	7,675	-
Regina Treaty/Status Indian Services	-	7,512
University of Alberta	-	7,091
University of Quebec	-	279
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	795,649	412,391
Less: refund to University of Saskatchewan	-	(3,524)
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	795,649	408,867

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Schedule 3 - Special Project Revenue

Unaudited

For the year ended March 31, 2024

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Federal government		
Indigenous Services Canada		
Funding received (schedule 9)	237,233	1,132,120
Transferred from deferred revenue (schedule 9)	1,449,421	456,346
Transferred to deferred revenue (schedule 9)	(1,134,755)	(1,449,419)
	<u>551,899</u>	<u>139,047</u>
Minister of Canadian Heritage	131,994	232,707
Librarian and Archivist of Canada	10,113	-
	<u>694,006</u>	<u>371,754</u>
Provincial government		
Sask Power	5,372	21,656
Ministry of Education	3,768	4,237
	<u>9,140</u>	<u>25,893</u>
Other sources		
First Nations University Annual Pow Wow	236,612	205,770
Suncor Energy Foundation	162,961	1,193
Inspirit Foundation	91,189	12,861
Natural Science and Engineering Research Council	13,135	2,158
Mosaic	12,660	5,000
Let's Talk Science	12,433	3,754
Starblanket Cree Nation	9,529	5,161
Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited (BHP)	6,400	-
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC)	5,000	-
Co-operators	5,000	-
K+S Potash	5,000	3,500
Various	4,979	8,192
Northern Lights Community Development Corporation	4,777	4,744
Canadian Journalism Foundation	4,095	4,600
Saskatchewan Indian Equity Foundation	2,887	678
University of Regina	2,800	13,187
Fill Hill Qu'Appelle Development	2,500	2,500
Casino Regina	1,193	-
Medicine of the Arts Project	404	6,064
First Nations University Regina Student Association	214	2,222
Nutrien	-	5,486
Organization of Saskatchewan Arts Councils	-	4,731
Enbridge	-	3,500
Information Services Corporation	-	3,500
CARFAC Saskatchewan	-	1,591
	<u>583,768</u>	<u>300,392</u>
	<u>1,286,914</u>	<u>698,039</u>

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Schedule 4 - Research Project Expenses

Unaudited

For the year ended March 31, 2024

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Virtual Pediatric Care in Northern Indigenous Communities	209,009	118,885
Saskatchewan Centre for Patient-Oriented Research	156,126	80,603
Indigenous Elder's Stories of Traditional Birthing and Child-Rearing	54,676	67,060
Carbon Capture by Boreal Afforestation	19,318	-
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council STEM	1,800	-
Moving Across Spaces	1,422	1,221
Natural Resource Partnership New Venture Creation First Nations Context	1,350	-
Application of Traditional Indigenous Knowledge to Modern Technology	634	3,897
Other	443	-
FSIN	139	5,133
Southern Saskatchewan Medicinal Plant	82	249
Reconnecting People, Land and Language	-	11,311
Earth Teaching and Insights from Elders on Culture Camps	-	6,412
Indigenizing University Mathematics Conference	-	3,975
Influence of Temperature on Birth and Death Time	-	3,906
Partnership on University Plagiarism Prevention	-	1,231
Explanatory English Cree Dictionary of Mathematics Terms	-	200
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	444,999	304,083

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Schedule 5 - Special Project Expenses

Unaudited

For the year ended March 31, 2024

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Wasakama Make A Circle	347,943	11,173
First Nations University Annual Pow Wow	236,612	205,770
Ka-nêhiyaw-kiyokânaw Initiative	162,961	1,193
Indigenous Teaching Fellowships in Indigenous Media Narratives	91,189	12,861
Indigenous Leadership and Governance Program Training	81,120	-
Birth Support Worker	74,047	108,195
Sharing Indigenous Language on Radio and Online	67,682	-
Sharing Saskatchewan Endangered Languages on Radio and Online	64,313	232,707
Aboriginal Youth Entrepreneurship Camp	55,120	29,166
Other	27,753	-
Science Camp for Indigenous Youth	13,135	1,183
Let's Talk Science	12,433	3,754
These Stories Have Walked a Long Way II	10,113	-
Star Blanket Cree Nation Community Plan	9,529	5,161
Student Mentorship Project	9,359	19,282
Seed Funding for Research in Indigenous Studies	4,461	2,938
Journalism Schools Canada	4,095	4,600
Elders Cultural Traditional Based Activities	2,873	2,996
Graduate Legacy Funds	2,800	-
Post-Secondary Student Support Program	2,592	-
Regina Daycare COVID-19 Grant	2,256	4,237
Elder Self-Care Medicine Teaching Program	1,904	1,749
Workforce Enhancement Grant	1,512	-
SaskPower Grant	601	16,656
Medicine of the Arts	404	10,795
National Science Laboratory Video	288	6,228
Library	214	2,222
National Science Camp	(395)	395
Indigenous Leadership Program	-	13,187
Indigenous Youth Comic Book Art Camp	-	1,591
	<u>1,286,914</u>	<u>698,039</u>

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Schedule 6 - Indigenous Services Canada - Funding Revenue
Unaudited
For the year ended March 31, 2024

Fund	336	520	336	520	324	324	337	337	9313	307	
Functional area	PSPP Design & Delivery	COVID-19 Safe RE PSE	PSPP Design and Delivery	Skill Link Program	Healthy Child Development & Health Human Resources	Healthy Child Development & Health Human Resources	Youth Employment Strategy	Youth Employment Strategy	Waste Management Infrastructure	Indigenous Governance and Capacity	Total
Budget activity	B3423	B3428	B3423	B3417	B2910	B2910	P2109	B3417	ZA32A	B5516	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Funding received	7,000,000	-	-	-	-	200,000	37,233	-	-	-	7,237,233
Opening fund balance	-	543,339	27,730	35,859	338,916	923,827	34,887	4,564	2,518	81,120	1,992,760
Expenses	14,782,814	543,339	2,592	9,359	74,047	347,943	36,838	-	-	81,120	15,878,052
Ending fund balance	-	-	25,138	26,500	264,869	775,884	35,282	4,564	2,518	-	1,134,755
Revenue recognized	7,000,000	543,339	2,592	9,359	74,047	347,943	36,838	-	-	81,120	8,095,238
	(Schedule 7)	(Schedule 8)	(Schedule 9)	(Schedule 9)	(Schedule 9)	(Schedule 9)	(Schedule 9)	(Schedule 9)	(Schedule 9)	(Schedule 9)	
Transfer to deferred contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deferred revenue	-	-	25,138	26,500	264,869	775,884	35,282	4,564	2,518	-	1,134,755

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Schedule 7 - Indigenous Services Canada - Post Secondary Partnership Program

Unaudited

For the year ended March 31, 2024

	2024 Budget \$	2024 Actual \$	2023 Actual \$
Funding received			
Indigenous Services Canada	<u>7,000,000</u>	<u>7,000,000</u>	<u>7,000,000</u>
Expenses			
Aboriginals and elders - mentoring, tutoring, cultural programs, services	415,000	1,467,449	946,828
Administration	427,000	866,165	1,216,061
Digitization/conversion of instructional materials for online use	200,000	99,700	6,181
Elders and guest speakers	35,000	29,736	47,444
Equipment rental	5,000	72,150	44,909
Other	-	706,361	716,898
Printing and publishing	5,000	68,346	204,235
Professional services and consulting fees	38,000	1,612,442	188,706
Purchase of learning and instructional materials	125,000	361,209	307,279
Salaries and benefits	<u>5,750,000</u>	<u>9,499,256</u>	<u>8,260,036</u>
	<u>7,000,000</u>	<u>14,782,814</u>	<u>11,938,577</u>
Deficit	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,782,814)</u>	<u>(4,938,577)</u>

The deficit from Indigenous Services Canada revenue is funded through other general fund revenue.

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 Schedule 8 - Indigenous Services Canada - COVID-19 Funding
 Unaudited
 For the year ended March 31, 2024

	2024 Actuals \$	2023 Actuals \$
Funding received		
Indigenous Services Canada	-	-
Expenses		
Adapting courses for online learning	-	264,345
Automating services to process student applications and registrations	-	20,954
Culturally responsive counselling for students	194,292	373,903
Development of COVID-19 resources to support staff and instructors	349,047	848,480
Implementing public health guidelines related to the pandemic	-	9,365
	<u>543,339</u>	<u>1,517,047</u>
Deficit before transfers	<u>(543,339)</u>	<u>(1,517,047)</u>
Opening deferred revenue balance	543,339	2,061,824
Transfers to deferred contributions	-	(1,438)
Revenue recognized in amortization of deferred contributions	-	1,095
Ending deferred revenue balance	<u>-</u>	<u>543,339</u>

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Schedule 9 - Indigenous Services Canada - Special Project Funding

Unaudited

For the year ended March 31, 2024

Fund	2024								Total
	336	520	324	324	337	337	9313	307	
Functional Area	PSSP Design and Delivery	Skill Link Program	Healthy Child Development & Health Human Resources	Healthy Child Development & Health Human Resources	Youth Employment Strategy	Youth Employment Strategy	Waste Management Infrastructure	Indigenous Governance and Capacity	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Budget Activity	B3423	B3417	B2910 & B3110	B2910	P2109	B3417	ZA32A	B5516	
	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024
Funding received									
Indigenous Services Canada	-	-	-	200,000	37,233	-	-	-	237,233
Total funding received (schedule 6)	-	-	-	200,000	37,233	-	-	-	237,233
Expenses									
Consulting	-	-	14,563	52,654	1,013	-	-	81,120	149,350
Curriculum development	-	-	-	619	-	-	-	-	619
Equipment	-	-	-	29,516	-	-	-	-	29,516
Instructional supplies	-	-	-	-	1,032	-	-	-	1,032
Meetings and workshops	-	-	2,106	13,624	-	-	-	-	15,730
Salaries and benefits	-	9,278	45,675	234,738	10,804	-	-	-	300,495
Supplies	-	81	1,421	3,556	23,197	-	-	-	28,255
Travel	2,592	-	10,282	13,236	792	-	-	-	26,902
Total expenses (schedule 6)	2,592	9,359	74,047	347,943	36,838	-	-	81,120	551,899
Surplus (deficit) before transfers	(2,592)	(9,359)	(74,047)	(147,943)	395	-	-	(81,120)	(314,666)
Opening deferred revenue balance	27,730	35,859	338,916	923,827	34,887	4,564	2,518	81,120	1,449,421
Ending deferred revenue balance	25,138	26,500	264,869	775,884	35,282	4,564	2,518	-	1,134,755
Revenue recognized (Schedule 3)	2,592	9,359	74,047	347,943	36,838	-	-	81,120	551,899