



Financial Statements April 30, 2023

THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO
COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
And Independent Auditor's Report
thereon APRIL 30, 2023



# **Introduction to Western University Financial Statements** 2022-2023

Western's 2023 financial statements reflect a welcome return to a full year of uninterrupted campus activity. During 2023, the University maintained financial stability amid growth in the student population, faculty, staff, and research activity. The collective effort of Western's vibrant campus community were focused on the priorities outlined in "Towards Western at 150", the University's strategic plan, and strategic investments were made to support Western's continued long-term success.

In 2023, the overall increase in campus activity was reflected in higher revenues and expenses. Total revenues reached \$1,439.2 million (2022 - \$1,340.2), a change of 7.4%. Revenue growth was driven primarily from restricted revenues, including research, reaching \$238.4 million (2022 – \$229.4 million), student fees reaching \$523.9 million (2022 - \$494.4 million), and sales and service revenues increased sharply by 24% to \$189.3 million (2022 - \$152.6 million). The growth in sales and service revenues marks a near return to 2019 levels (\$191.7 million), which are more characteristic of typical University activity.

Total expenses increased to \$1,322.7 million (2022 - \$1,211.5 million), a change of 9.2% year over year. As expected, operating costs increased from \$176.9 million in 2022 to \$218.0 million in 2023, a change of approximately 23%. Scholarships, fellowships and bursaries were at their highest ever, at \$90.6 million, up from \$86.5 million in 2022. Compensation continues to be Western's single largest expenditure, at 61.6% of total expenses of \$814.7 million (2022 – 63.4% of \$767.5 million). Overall, Western's revenues over expenses were \$116.5 million (2022 - \$128.7 million), the most significant component continues to be investment returns.

Investment returns increased to \$123.0 million during the year (2022 - \$112.5 million). While revenues from investment returns continue to play a significant role in Western's financial results, these returns remain highly unpredictable and cannot be relied upon to support ongoing operations. The nature of these cumulative returns is better suited to support one-time strategic initiatives.

Western's endowments increased to \$1.14 billion (2022 - \$1.04 billion), a result of new contributions from our generous donors and strategic investments by the University to support academic and research initiatives. Over the last five years, growth in the endowment and investment returns have increased the allocation for spending to support University activities from \$28.1 million in 2019 to \$38.0 million in 2023, an increase of over 35%.

As at April 30, 2023, assets grew to \$4,464.6 million (2022 -\$4,295.1 million), liabilities and deferred contributions decreased to \$1,727.4 million (2022 - \$1,783.5 million), and net assets increased to \$2,737.2 million (2022 - \$2,511.6 million). The increase in assets was driven by investments. Liabilities and deferred contributions decreased primarily due to changes in the employee future benefits valuation. Together, the investment performance, endowment contributions, and actuarial remeasurement improved Western's net asset position.

Vice-President (Operations & Finance)

## **SUMMARY OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES**

# Total Revenues and Expenses For the year ended April 30, 2023 (millions of dollars)

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	\$	\$		\$	\$
Revenues					
Government grants for general operations	265.7	266.2	268.7	268.6	268.6
Restricted government grants and other grants and contracts	228.8	225.5	215.2	229.4	238.4
Student fees	461.0	453.1	455.9	494.4	523.9
Sales and services	191.7	172.0	108.8	152.6	189.3
Investment returns	92.8	39.5	229.9	112.5	123.0
Donations	35.4	41.3	40.9	35.6	43.1
Recoverable salaries and benefits	19.0	18.4	17.7	18.2	18.6
Other revenues	23.6	31.9	30.9	28.9	34.3
	1,318.0	1,247.9	1,368.0	1,340.2	1,439.2
Expenses					_
Salaries and benefits	719.0	740.7	730.3	767.5	814.7
Operating costs	179.6	179.9	152.1	176.9	218.0
Scholarships, fellowships and bursaries	80.4	81.9	90.4	86.5	90.6
Amortization of capital assets	78.5	72.5	72.3	72.0	78.2
Cost of sales and services	38.3	34.9	24.7	32.8	37.9
Repairs and maintenance	35.3	32.5	29.8	36.9	40.2
Utilities and taxes	23.4	25.3	22.6	24.7	29.0
Interest	15.3	14.9	14.4	14.2	14.1
	1,169.8	1,182.6	1,136.6	1,211.5	1,322.7

## % of Total Revenues and Expenses

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	%	%		%	%
Revenues					
Government grants for general operations	20.2	21.3	19.6	20.0	18.7
Restricted government grants and other grants and contracts	17.4	18.1	15.7	17.1	16.6
Student fees	35.0	36.3	33.3	36.9	36.4
Sales and services	14.5	13.8	8.0	11.4	13.2
Investment returns	7.0	3.2	16.8	8.4	8.5
Donations	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Recoverable salaries and benefits	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.4	1.3
Other revenues	1.8	2.5	2.3	2.1	2.3
	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Expenses					_
Salaries and benefits	61.5	62.6	64.3	63.4	61.6
Operating costs	15.3	15.3	13.3	14.6	16.5
Scholarships, fellowships and bursaries	6.9	6.9	8.0	7.1	6.8
Amortization of capital assets	6.7	6.1	6.4	5.9	5.9
Cost of sales and services	3.3	3.0	2.2	2.7	2.9
Repairs and maintenance	3.0	2.7	2.5	3.0	3.0
Utilities and taxes	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.2
Interest	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.1
	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

#### **SUMMARY OF ENDOWMENT ACTIVITY**

#### Contributions, Investment Returns and Allocation for Spending

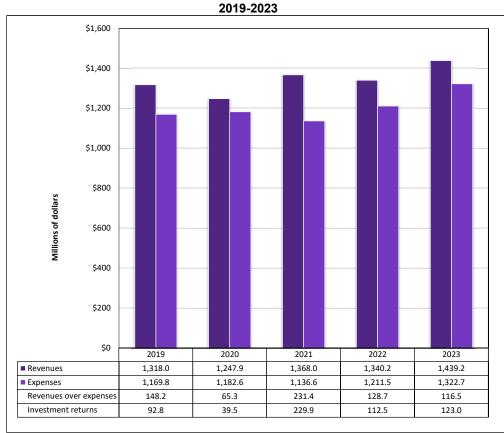
For the year ended April 30, 2023

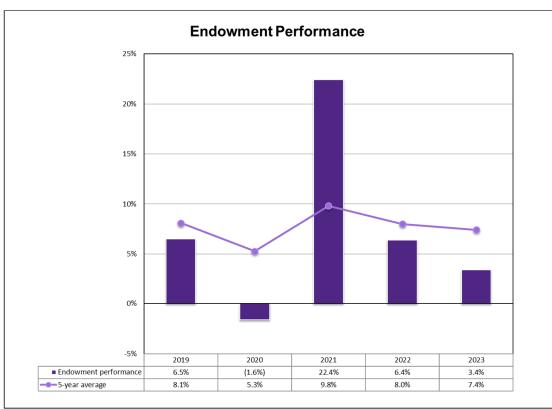
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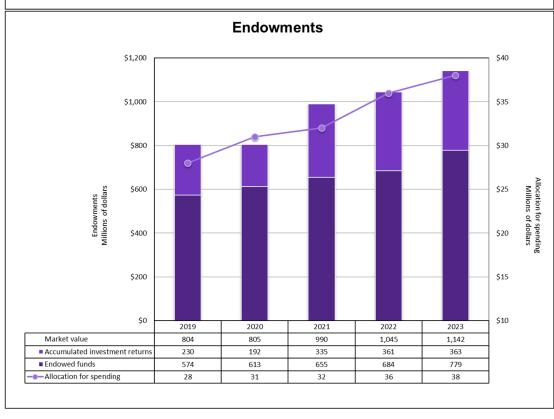
Fund balance, beginning of year New contributions Investment returns Allocation for spending Fund balance, end of year

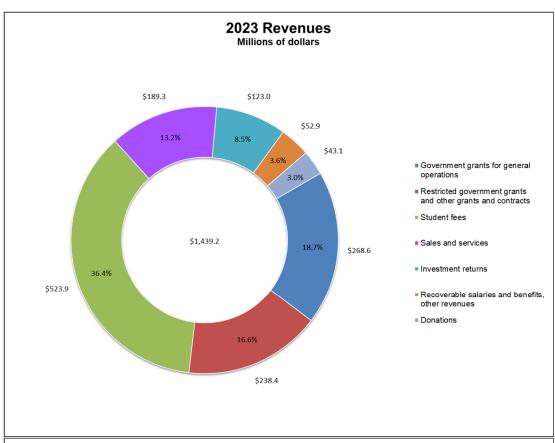
_	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	746.5	803.8	805.1	990.1	1,044.8
	36.3	39.6	41.9	28.1	95.2
	49.1	(7.7)	175.1	62.4	39.7
_	(28.1)	(30.6)	(32.0)	(35.8)	(38.0)
_	803.8	805.1	990.1	1,044.8	1,141.7

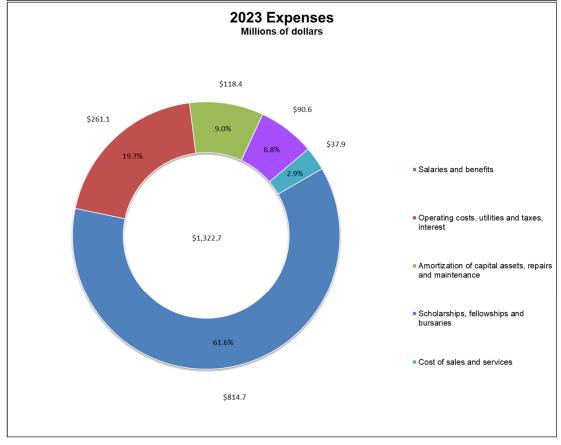
## Revenues and Expenses













### The UNIVERSITY of WESTERN ONTARIO

#### Responsibility for Financial Reporting

The accompanying combined financial statements of The University of Western Ontario are the responsibility of the University administration and have been approved by the Board of Governors.

The combined financial statements have been prepared by the University administration in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations and are in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. Financial statements necessarily include amounts based on informed judgments and estimates, with appropriate consideration to materiality. The administration has determined such amounts on a reasonable basis to ensure that the combined financial statements present fairly the financial position of the University.

The University maintains systems of internal accounting and administrative controls of high quality, consistent with reasonable cost. Such systems are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information is relevant, reliable and accurate and that the University's assets are appropriately accounted for and adequately safeguarded.

The Board of Governors is responsible for ensuring that management fulfils its responsibilities for financial reporting and is ultimately responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements. The Board carries out this responsibility principally through its Audit Committee.

The Audit Committee is appointed by the Board. This Committee consists of eight members, none of whom are involved in the daily operations of the University. This Committee meets periodically with the administration, the internal auditor and the external auditors, to discuss internal controls over the financial reporting process, auditing matters and financial reporting issues, to satisfy itself that each party is properly discharging its responsibilities, and to review the annual combined financial statements and the external auditor's report. The Committee reports its findings to the Board of Governors for consideration when approving the combined financial statements. The Committee also appoints annually the external auditors.

The combined financial statements, which comprise the combined statement of financial position as at April 30, 2023, the combined statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information have been audited by KPMG LLP, the external auditors, in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards on behalf of the Board of Governors. KPMG has full and free access to the Audit Committee.

Alan Shepard

President & Vice-Chancellor

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Governors of The University of Western Ontario

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the combined financial statements of The University of Western Ontario (the Entity), which comprise:

- the combined statement of financial position as at end of April 30, 2023
- the combined statement of operations for the year then ended
- the combined statement of changes net assets for the year then ended
- the combined statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- and notes to the combined financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies

(Hereinafter referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the combined financial position of the Entity as at end of April 30, 2023, and its combined results of operations and its combined 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 auditor's report.

We are independent of the Entity 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.



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#### Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Preparation

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements which describes the basis of preparation used in these financial statements and the purpose of the financial statements.

Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

#### Other Information

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

• the information, other than the financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, included in the "Supplementary Information on the Combined Financial Statements".

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not and will 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 and remain alert for indications that the other information appears to be materially misstated.

We obtained the information, other than the financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, included in the "Supplementary Information on the Combined Financial Statements" as at 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 the 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 the 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 Entity'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 Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

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



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#### 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 the 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 Entity'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 Entity'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 Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.



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- 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.
- 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.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the
  entities or business activities within the Combined Entity to express an opinion on the
  financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance
  of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

London, Canada

September 21, 2023

KPMG LLP

**Combined Statement of Financial Position** 

Statement 1

As at April 30, 2023, with comparative information for 2022 (thousands of dollars)

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Assets		
Current		
Cash	31,938	27,602
Accounts receivable [note 3]	117,453	93,665
Inventories	3,881	3,163
Prepaid expenses and deposits	14,858	14,880
Short-term investments [note 4(a)]	916,088	948,172
	1,084,218	1,087,482
Long-term other assets	6,231	6,539
Investments [note 4(a)]	2,076,267	1,921,176
Capital assets [note 5]	1,297,866	1,279,923
	4,464,582	4,295,120
Liabilities and deferred contributions		
Current		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities [note 6]	123,041	119,804
Current portion long-term debt [note 9]	8,373	8,086
Deferred fees and income	119,840	114,428
	251,254	242,318
Long-term accounts payable	3,014	2,714
Employee future benefits [note 7(a)]	420,675	478,637
Long-term debt [note 9]	310,966	319,314
Deferred contributions [note 10]	290,171	279,465
Deferred capital contributions [note 11]	451,347	461,071
	1,727,427	1,783,519
Net assets	2,737,155	2,511,601
	4,464,582	4,295,120

See accompanying notes to the combined financial statements.

Commitments and contingencies [note 4(a), note 17].

Approved on behalf of the Board of Governors:

K. Gibbons

Chair, Board of Governors

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S. Bennett

Chair, Audit Committee

Susan Genrath

**Combined Statement of Operations** 

Statement 2

For the year ended April 30, 2023, with comparative information for 2022 (thousands of dollars)

Revenues         268,597         268,582           Restricted government grants and other grants and contracts         238,384         229,384           Student fees         523,917         494,429           Sales and services         189,300         152,637           Investment returns [note 4(b)]         123,026         112,548           Donations         43,104         35,599           Recoverable salaries and benefits         18,616         18,163           Other revenues         34,260         28,844           1,439,204         1,340,186           Expenses         217,988         176,884           Scholarships, fellowships and bursaries         90,642         86,493           Amortization of capital assets         78,201         71,954           Cost of sales and services         37,844         32,816           Repairs and maintenance         40,202         36,914           Utilities and taxes         29,020         24,713           Interest         14,129         14,228           Excess of revenues over expenses         116,502         128,669		2023	2022
Government grants for general operations         268,597         268,582           Restricted government grants and other grants and contracts         238,384         229,384           Student fees         523,917         494,429           Sales and services         189,300         152,637           Investment returns [note 4(b)]         123,026         112,548           Donations         43,104         35,599           Recoverable salaries and benefits         18,616         18,163           Other revenues         34,260         28,844           1,439,204         1,340,186           Expenses         217,988         176,884           Scholarships fellowships and bursaries         90,642         86,493           Amortization of capital assets         78,201         71,954           Cost of sales and services         37,844         32,816           Repairs and maintenance         40,202         36,914           Utilities and taxes         29,020         24,713           Interest         14,129         14,228		\$	\$
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Investment returns [note 4(b)]	Student fees	523,917	494,429
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Utilities and taxes       29,020       24,713         Interest       14,129       14,228         1,322,702       1,211,517	Cost of sales and services	37,844	32,816
Interest 14,129 14,228 1,322,702 1,211,517	Repairs and maintenance	40,202	36,914
1,322,702 1,211,517	Utilities and taxes	29,020	24,713
	Interest	14,129	14,228
Excess of revenues over expenses         116,502         128,669		1,322,702	1,211,517
	Excess of revenues over expenses	116,502	128,669

See accompanying notes to the combined financial statements.

**Combined Statement of Changes in Net Assets** 

Statement 3

For the year ended April 30, 2023, with comparative information for 2022 (thousands of dollars)

			2022		
	Unrestricted [note 12]	Internally Restricted [note 13]	Endowments [note 14]	Total	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Net assets, beginning of year	(415,230)	1,881,987	1,044,844	2,511,601	2,227,281
Excess of revenues over expenses	116,502	-	-	116,502	128,669
Change in internally restricted net assets	(96,795)	96,898	-	103	843
Investment returns allocated to internal endowments	(10,515)	-	10,515	-	-
Allocation for spending of internally endowed returns	8,198	-	(8,198)	-	-
Investment returns allocated to external endowments [note 4(b)]	-	-	29,203	29,203	48,636
Allocation for spending of externally endowed accumulated investment returns [note 4(b)]	-	-	(29,879)	(29,879)	(28,332)
Endowment contributions	(66,879)	-	95,221	28,342	20,231
Employee future benefits remeasurements and other items	81,283	-	-	81,283	114,273
Net assets, end of year	(383,436)	1,978,885	1,141,706	2,737,155	2,511,601

See accompanying notes to the combined financial statements.

**Combined Statement of Cash Flows** 

Statement 4

For the year ended April 30, 2023, with comparative information for 2022 (thousands of dollars)

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Operating activities		
Excess of revenues over expenses	116,502	128,669
Non-cash items		
Amortization of capital assets	78,201	71,954
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	(30,455)	(29,811)
Net unrealized (gains)/losses from investments	(12,760)	104,387
Employee future benefits	23,321	27,587
Net change in non-cash working capital [note 16]	(15,227)	19,498
Cash provided by operating activities	159,582	322,284
Investing addition		
Investing activities	(440.04=)	(000 000)
Net purchase of investments	(110,247)	(309,220)
Purchase of capital assets	(96,041)	(99,087)
Cash used in investing activities	(206,288)	(408,307)
Financing activities		
Receipt of deferred capital contributions	20,731	22,115
Net change in deferred contributions	10,706	15,074
Investment returns allocated to external endowments [note 4(b)]	29,203	48,636
Allocation for spending of externally endowed accumulated investment		
returns [note 4(b)]	(29,879)	(28,332)
Endowment contributions	28,342	20,231
Repayment of long-term debt	(8,061)	(17,209)
Cash provided by financing activities	51,042	60,515
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Net increase in cash	4,336	(25,508)
Cash position, beginning of year	27,602	53,110
Cash position, end of year	31,938	27,602

See accompanying notes to the combined financial statements.

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#### 1. DESCRIPTION

The University of Western Ontario ("the University") operates under the authority of The University of Western Ontario Act, 1982. The University is incorporated without share capital. The University is dedicated to the advancement of learning through teaching and research and to the discovery and application of knowledge. The University is a registered charity and, under the provisions of section 149 of the Income Tax Act, is exempt from paying income taxes.

The combined financial statements of the University contain the accounts of the University and organizations that the University controls, including: Ivey Business School Foundation, Ivey Business School Asia Limited, The University of Western Ontario Research & Development Park, Windermere Manor Ltd., The Siebens - Drake Research Institute, UWO Investment Trust (#1), UWO Investment Trust (#2), and related foundations in which the University has an economic interest.

These combined financial statements do not include the accounts of three university colleges that are affiliated with, but not controlled by the University (Brescia University College, King's University College at The University of Western Ontario and Huron University College), or the net assets of the Pension Plan for Academic Staff and the Pension Plan for Administrative Staff of the University.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The combined financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian Accounting Standards for not-for-profit organizations in Part III of the CPA Canada Handbook - Accounting and are in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

A summary of significant accounting policies is as follows:

#### (a) Revenue recognition

The University follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions, which include donations and government grants.

Operating grants are recorded as revenue in the period to which they relate. Grants approved but not received at the end of the year are accrued. Where a portion of a grant relates to a future year, it is deferred and recognized in the subsequent year.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Externally restricted contributions, other than endowment contributions, are deferred and recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are recognized. Contributions restricted for the purchase of capital assets are deferred, and when expended, are amortized into revenue, at a rate corresponding with the amortization rate for the related capital assets.

Endowment contributions, having externally imposed restrictions, are recognized as direct increases in endowment net assets.

Gifts of capital assets are recorded at fair value at the date of receipt and the related contributions are amortized to operations on the same basis as the related capital asset. Contributions of collection items and non-amortizable capital assets are recorded at fair value at the date of the receipt and as a direct increase to net assets.

Pledges are recorded as revenue on a cash basis, due to uncertainty of collection, and accordingly, pledges outstanding and not received at the year-end are not recorded as an asset.

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Student fees are recognized as revenue when courses and seminars are held. Activity fees are included in student fees.

Sales and services revenue is recognized at the point of sale or when the service has been provided.

#### (b) Inventories

Inventories are recorded at the lower of cost and net realizable value, determined using the weighted average cost method.

#### (c) Investments

Investments are recorded at fair value. The value of investments recorded in the combined financial statements is determined as follows:

- i) Short-term investments, which consist of Guaranteed Investment Certificates ("GIC"), savings accounts and money market funds, are valued at cost plus accrued interest which together approximates fair value. Some of these short-term investments meet the definition of cash and cash equivalents but are held for investment rather than liquidity purposes and are classified as investments.
- ii) Equities consist of Canadian, U.S., Non-North American, Global and Private equities. Canadian, U.S., Non-North American and Global equities are traded on the open market. Fair values are based on the latest closing price. Private equities are valued based on the latest valuation provided by the external investment manager, reflecting any impairment.
- iii) Fixed income includes Canadian bonds, mortgages and private debt. Canadian bonds are traded on the open market and fair values are based on the latest closing price. Mortgages are valued at their net asset value per unit valued based on the latest valuation provided by the external investment manager, reflecting any impairment. Private debt is valued at fair value based on the latest valuation provided by the external investment manager, reflecting any impairment.
- iv) Real assets consist of real estate and infrastructure investments. Both are valued based on the latest valuation provided by the external investment manager, reflecting any impairment.
- v) Diversifiers include absolute return strategies which are valued based on the latest valuation provided by the external investment manager, reflecting any impairment, and cash that is held for investment rather than liquidity purposes.

Transactions are recorded on a settlement date basis and any transaction costs are expensed against investment returns when incurred.

#### (d) Investment returns

Investment returns, in the combined statement of operations, include interest, dividends, income distributions from pooled funds, realized and unrealized capital gains and losses and realized and unrealized currency gains and losses.

Investment returns attributed to the endowments are recorded as an addition (reduction) to endowments net assets. All other investment returns along with the amounts allocated for spending from the endowments are recorded as investment returns in the combined statement of operations.

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Investment returns on internally restricted endowments are recorded as an allocation from unrestricted to endowments in the combined statement of changes in net assets. The University protects the capital value of the endowments by limiting the amount of investment returns that are allocated for spending. Endowments are permitted to spend an amount equal to 4% of the average value of the total endowment over the most recent 5 year period. In any particular year, should investment returns be insufficient to fund the amounts made available for spending, endowment capital will be used, with the expectation that such amounts will be recovered from future investment returns.

#### (e) Capital assets

Purchased tangible capital assets, including works of art, are recorded at cost. Contributed capital assets are recorded at fair value at the date of receipt. When an estimate of fair value cannot reasonably be made, both the intangible asset and the related contribution are not recorded.

Repairs and maintenance costs are expensed. Capital assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of an asset may not contribute to the University's ability to provide goods and services. Any impairment results in a write-down of the asset and an expense in the combined statement of operations. An impairment loss is not reversed if the fair value of the related asset subsequently increases.

Amortization is provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life for buildings and building components, computer equipment and library acquisitions, and on a declining balance basis for all other capital assets.

Amortization rates are generally as follows:

Buildings and building components 5 to 40 years Computer equipment 5 years

Equipment and furnishings 20% declining balance

Library acquisitions 5 years

Construction in progress is primarily buildings. No amortization is recorded until construction is substantially complete and the assets are ready for productive use.

Works of art and collections are not amortized.

#### (f) Employee future benefits

#### i) Non-pension plans:

The University provides medical, dental and life insurance benefits to eligible employees. The University accrues for these obligations using accounting assumptions, with the cost of these benefits being actuarially determined using the projected benefit method pro-rated on service using best estimates of salary escalation, retirement ages of employees and expected health care costs. Remeasurements and other items, including plan amendments and actuarial gains and losses are recognized directly in net assets in the combined statement of financial position and are presented as a separately identified line item in the combined statement of changes in net assets.

#### ii) Pension plans and other retirement income funds:

The University sponsors pension plans for its academic and administrative staff. The benefits provided under the plans are entirely defined contribution. There is no past service liability in respect of either of these plans. Contributions to defined contribution plans are expensed as incurred.

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#### (g) Foreign currency translation

The University accounts for transactions in foreign currency at the exchange rate in effect at the time of the transactions. At year-end, monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency are translated at year-end exchange rates. Foreign exchange gains and losses on investments have been included in investment returns.

#### (h) Derivative and other financial instruments

Derivative financial instruments are used to manage market and currency exposure risk primarily associated with the University's debt and investments. The University does not enter into derivative financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes. Derivative financial instruments that may be employed include interest rate swaps, currency forward contracts and currency futures. These contract positions will generally be the same or smaller than the market value of the underlying investments, thereby ensuring that the portfolio remains unleveraged. Investment manager valuations or bank valuations are used by the University to fair value the derivative financial instruments, reflecting any impairment.

Other financial instruments including accounts receivable and accounts payable are initially recorded at fair value and are subsequently recorded at cost or amortized cost, net of any provisions for impairment.

#### (i) Accounting estimates

The preparation of the combined financial statements 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 combined financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the year. Significant items subject to the use of management estimates and assumptions include the determination of the useful lives of capital assets for amortization and the amortization of deferred capital contributions, determination of the fair value of financial instruments, valuation of non-pension retirement benefit obligations and provisions for contingencies. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### (j) Contributed services

The University benefits from services provided by volunteers in assisting the institution in carrying out its activities. Because of the difficulty of determining the fair value, contributed services are not recognized in the combined financial statements.

#### (k) Agency obligations

The University acts as an agent which holds resources and makes disbursements on behalf of various unrelated individuals or groups. These individuals and groups include the affiliate colleges as well as other universities. The University has no discretion over such agency transactions. Resources received in connection with such agency transactions are reported as liabilities, not revenue, and subsequent distributions are reported as decreases to these liabilities.

#### (I) Controlled organizations

The University includes controlled organizations in its combined financial statements.

#### 3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Current accounts receivable is comprised primarily of balances for trade accounts receivable and research projects. An allowance of \$2,176 (2022 - \$1,809) has been recorded.

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#### 4. INVESTMENTS

(a) Endowed and non-endowed investments consist of the following:

	 2023	2022
Equities Fixed income Real assets	\$ 1,148,362 390,286 309,701	\$ 1,143,556 351,557 309,084
Diversifiers Short-term	 227,918 2,076,267 916,088	 116,979 1,921,176 948,172
onor tom	\$ 2,992,355	\$ 2,869,348

Endowed investments consist of donations held in perpetuity received by the University to benefit current and future generations. Non-endowed investments consist of research, capital and other funds received and held for future expenditures.

Endowed and non-endowed investments are segregated into the following investment portfolios:

	2023	2022
Short-term	\$ 635,465	\$ 600,425
Mid-term	201,089	192,656
Operating and Endowment Fund	1,873,548	1,805,418
Other	 282,253	270,849
	\$ 2,992,355	\$ 2,869,348

Short-term and mid-term portfolios are liquid and can be used to settle short-term obligations.

#### Uncalled commitments:

Approximately 12.4% (2022 – 16.0%) of the University's Operating and Endowment Fund is invested in funds managed by third-party managers that, by way of the legal terms and conditions, require investors to make initial commitments. Funds are then invested in response to a series of capital calls issued by the manager over a pre-defined investment period. These private funds typically take the form of limited partnerships managed by a general partner and cover various areas of private equity, real estate, mortgage, private debt and infrastructure investments. The University has uncalled commitments of approximately \$210,762 (2022 - \$120,157). The University anticipates being able to meet all calls as they are made.

(b) Investment returns recorded in the combined statement of operations are calculated as follows:

	2023	2022
Investment returns Investment returns allocated to external endowments	\$ 122,350 (29,203)	\$ 132,852 (48,636)
Allocation for spending of externally endowed accumulated investment returns	29,879	28,332
	\$ 123,026	\$ 112,548

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Investment income is comprised of the following:

	2023	2022
Unrealized gains (losses) on investments	12,760	(104,387)
Realized gains on investments	187	106,973
Interest and dividend income	 110,079	 109,962
	\$ 123,026	\$ 112,548

#### 5. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets consist of the following:

	2023				2022						
		Cost		ccumulated mortization	Net Book Value		Cost		cumulated nortization	٨	let Book Value
Buildings and building components	\$	1,520,930	\$	681,588	\$ 839,342	\$	1,497,270	\$	645,897	\$	851,373
Equipment, furnishing & computer equipment Library acquisitions		546,249 303,301		412,983 284.849	133,266 18,452		529,432 293,853		403,902 276.245		125,530 17,608
Construction in progress Land		76,513 200.143		-	76,513 200.143		59,526 195.865		-		59,526 195.865
Works of art and collections		30,150		_	30,150		30,021		_		30,021
	\$	2,677,286	\$	1,379,420	\$ 1,297,866	\$	2,605,967	\$	1,326,044	\$	1,279,923

During the year, paintings were donated to the University with a total appraised value of \$104 (2022 - \$93).

#### 6. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

As at April 30, 2023, accounts payable and accrued liabilities include current government remittances payable of \$16,636 (2022 - \$16,028).

#### 7. EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS

The interval between actuarial valuations for the defined benefit pension plans does not exceed three years with the most recent valuations prepared as at April 30, 2023, for the non-pension. In the years between valuations, an extrapolation of the actuarial valuation is used to determine the market related value of the plan assets and the projected benefit obligations.

#### (a) Non-pension plans:

The accrued benefit liability relating to the employee future benefits is \$420,675 (2022 - \$478,637). This liability has been recorded in the combined financial statements.

Total expense for these plans is \$23,321 (2022 - \$27,587) including a recovery of \$36 (2022 expense - \$1,910) for supplemental and other benefits. Benefits paid during the year amounted to \$10,230 (2022 - \$10,556).

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The significant actuarial assumptions adopted in measuring the University's accrued benefit obligations are as follows:

	Non-Pension Plans		
	2023	2022	
Discount rate	4.7%	4.6%	
Expected long-term rate of return on plan assets	-	-	
Medical trend rate	5.54%	5.12%	
Dental trend rate	5.00%	2.75%	

#### (b) Pension plans:

Contributions to the defined contribution pension plans during the year are as follows:

		December 31, 2021	
\$	39,126	\$	36,409
	27,277		25,147
\$	66,402	\$	61,556
	\$	\$ 39,126 27,277	\$ 39,126 \$ 27,277

#### 8. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

#### (a) Fair values

Fair value estimates are made as of a specific point in time, using available information about the financial instrument.

The carrying value of cash, accounts receivable, bank indebtedness and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximates their fair values based on the short-term maturity of those instruments. The fair value of investments is disclosed in note 4(a) and derivative financial instruments in note 8(b).

#### (b) Derivative financial instruments

The notional and fair values of the derivative financial instruments are as follows:

		2023			2022			
	N	lotional Value		Fair /alue	١	lotional Value		Fair Value
Foreign currency contracts	\$	1,027,216	\$	(3,723)	\$	999,579	\$	(2,464)
Interest rate swap agreements	\$	30,619	\$	842	\$	38,705	\$	476

#### (i) Foreign currency forward contracts:

The fair value of the foreign currency forward contracts is included with investments. The change in the fair value of the foreign currency forward contracts is accounted for consistent with investment returns in the combined statements of operations and changes in net assets. All outstanding contracts have a remaining term to maturity of less than one year.

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#### (ii) Interest rate swaps:

The fair value of the interest rate swap is recorded within accounts receivable in the combined statement of financial position and the unrealized gain or loss in the fair value is recorded in operating costs in the combined statement of operations. During the year, the total unrealized gain on the interest rate swaps was \$366 (2022 - \$2,355).

The interest rate swap contract results in the University fixing a long-term interest rate of 2.99% on the floating rate debt obligation instead of paying a short-term floating rate of 4.97% (2022 – 1.27%).

The interest rate swap agreement relates to the debt on Ontario Hall Residence which matures on October 15, 2026. The counterparty to the contract is a major Canadian financial institution. The University does not anticipate any material adverse effect on its financial position resulting from its involvement in this type of contract, nor does it anticipate non-performance by the counterparty given their high credit rating.

#### (c) Risk management

The University, through its financial assets and liabilities is exposed to various risks. The following analysis will provide a measurement of risks as at the combined statement of financial position date:

#### (i) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the University if a counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligation.

Approximately 51% (2022 - 49%) of the University's investments consist of money market securities, fixed income products and diversifiers. In order to minimize the risk of having an issuer of these debt instruments fail to pay interest or principal as required, the University takes credit rating requirements into consideration and ensures that a qualified investment manager reviews the credit worthiness of each security that is included in its portfolios, regardless of the credit rating of those securities.

The University has established policies for extending credit to various businesses, groups and individuals who purchase goods and services from the University, in order to reduce incidents of non-payment. Management believes that the credit risk is minimized by dealing with creditworthy counterparties.

The University is also exposed to credit risk through its use of interest rate swaps and foreign exchange contracts. The credit risk associated with these contracts arises from the possibility that the counterparty to the contract in which the University has an unrealized gain fails to perform according to the terms of the contract. The credit risk is much less than the notional principal amount, being limited at any time to the change in fair value attributable to the instruments.

#### (ii) Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flow of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates.

The University purchases equipment, books and other supplies and services in foreign currencies and may occasionally mitigate its exposure to foreign currency by entering into forward exchange contracts at the time of ordering.

The University is exposed to currency risk with respect to its investments denominated in foreign

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currencies. To manage foreign currency risk associated with these investments, the University uses foreign currency forward contracts that are administered by an investment manager. These contract positions will generally be the same or smaller than the market value of the underlying assets, thereby ensuring that the portfolio remains unleveraged. The policy range of exposure to non-Canadian currencies has been established to be within the range of 0% to 80% of the total Operating and Endowment Fund, after currency hedging.

#### (iii) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates.

The University is subject to interest rate cash flow risk with respect to its floating rate debt. The University mitigates this risk by entering into interest rate swap agreements for its floating rate debt that fixes the interest rate over the term of the debt.

All other debt of the University, being unsecured debenture, have fixed interest rates and are therefore not exposed to cash flow interest rate risks.

The University's short-term investments are subject to interest rate fluctuations as maturing investments are reinvested at new rates of interest. The fair value held in fixed income, diversifiers, GIC's and other short-term investments will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates.

#### (iv) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market prices, whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual instrument or its issuer or factors affecting all instruments traded in the market.

The University's investments in equities, fixed income, real assets, GIC's and other short-term investments are subject to market risk. Management mitigates this risk through diversification of its investment portfolio.

#### (v) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the University will be unable to fulfill its obligations on a timely basis or at a reasonable cost when its obligations fall due. The University manages its liquidity risk by monitoring its operating and capital requirements. The University prepares capital and operating budgets to fulfill its obligations.

The University's operating account is covered by a \$100,000 unsecured, uncommitted revolving credit facility that is repayable on demand (2022 - \$100,000). As at April 30, 2023, no amount has been drawn on the facility.

The University has access to a \$100,000, unsecured, uncommitted, operating demand loan dedicated to help manage short-term liquidity needs of the Operating and Endowment Fund. As at April 30, 2023 no amount has been drawn on the facility.

#### (vi) Inflation risk

Inflation risk is the risk that unexpected increases in the price level of goods and services may negatively impact investment performance.

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The University's investments in equities and fixed income are sensitive to inflation risk. Management mitigates this risk by investing in real assets which provide a natural hedge to inflation risk by exhibiting returns that are highly correlated with inflation.

#### 9. LONG-TERM DEBT

	Maturity	Interest Rate at April 30, 2023	2023 Principal Outstandin	g	2022 Principal Outstanding
(a) The details of the debentures are as follows:					
Series A Senior Unsecured Debentures [note (c)]	May 24, 2047	4.80%	\$ 189,269	\$	189,253
Series B Senior Unsecured Debentures [note (d)]	December 4, 2057	3.39%	99,451		99,442
Total debentures			\$ 288,720	\$	288,695
(b) The details of the Bankers' Acceptances (BA's) a	are as follows:				
Bankers' Acceptances [note (e)]	May 15, 2023	2.99%	\$ 30,619	\$	38,705
Total Bankers' Acceptances			\$ 30,619	\$	38,705
Total debt			\$ 319,339	\$	327,400
Less current portion			8,373		8,086
			\$ 310,966	\$	319,314

(c) On May 24, 2007, the University issued Series A Senior Unsecured Debentures in the aggregate principal amount of \$190,000. The debenture bears interest at 4.80% which is payable semi-annually on May 24 and November 24 with the principal amount to be repaid on May 24, 2047. The proceeds of the issue were initially used to retire certain existing capital debt and to finance new capital projects.

A sinking fund has been established to provide funds to repay the debenture principal upon maturity. At April 30, 2023 the value of the sinking fund was \$32,929 (2022 - \$31,840).

(d) On December 4, 2017, the University issued Series B Senior Unsecured Debentures in the aggregate principal amount of \$100,000. The debenture bears interest at 3.39% which is payable semi-annually on June 4 and December 4 with the principal amount to be repaid on December 4, 2057. The proceeds of the issue will be used to finance future capital projects.

A sinking fund has been established to provide funds to repay the debenture principal upon maturity. At April 30, 2023, the value of the sinking fund was \$10,022 (2022 - \$9,690).

(e) At April 30, 2023, the University has outstanding debt of \$30,619 on a \$100,000 committed non-revolving facility. An interest rate swap agreement has been entered into to fix the effective interest rate at 2.99%, over the remaining term, ending October 15, 2026. There is a remaining credit facility in the amount of \$30,000 which is a revolving demand facility by way of BA's that has not been drawn upon.

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(f) Anticipated requirements to meet the principal portion of the debt repayments over the next five years are as follows:

	Principal			
2024	\$	8,373		
2025		8,665		
2026		8,975		
2027		4,606		
2028		-		
Subsequent years		288,720		
	\$	319,339		

#### 10. DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS

Deferred contributions represent unspent externally restricted grants, donations, contributions and investment income. The balance consists of:

	2023		2022		
Balance, beginning of year	\$	279,465	\$	264,391	
Grants, contributions, donations and investment income		356,917		363,064	
Recognized to revenue		(346,211)		(347,990)	
Balance, end of year	\$	290,171	\$	279,465	
		2023		2022	
		2023	2022		
Unspent research grants	\$	168,357	\$	163,984	
Scholarships		25,460		25,760	
Other restricted funds		96,354		89,721	
	\$	290,171	\$	279,465	

#### 11. DEFERRED CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Deferred capital contributions represent the unamortized amount of donations and grants received for the purchase of capital assets. Unspent deferred capital contributions are included in deferred contributions until such time as capital expenditures are incurred. The changes in the deferred capital contributions balance are as follows:

	2023		2022	
Balance, beginning of year	\$	461,071	\$	468,767
Amortization of deferred capital contributions		(30,455)		(29,811)
Contributions received during the year		20,731		22,115
Balance, end of year	\$	451,347	\$	461,071

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	 2023	2022		
Amounts used for the purchase of capital assets Amounts to be spent on capital assets	\$ 451,347 -	\$	457,014 4,057	
	\$ 451,347	\$	461,071	

#### 12. UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Details of the unrestricted net assets are as follows:

	2023		2022
Operating fund surplus	\$	40,227	\$ 72,269
Provision for vacation pay		(19,500)	(17,592)
Operating deficit - related organizations		(11,388)	(19,228)
Provision for employee future benefits		(392,775)	(450,679)
	\$	(383,436)	\$ (415,230)

#### 13. INTERNALLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Details of the internally restricted net assets are as follows:

	2023		2022	
Investment in capital assets	\$	793,800	\$	760,048
Departmental carry forwards		235,674		264,606
Capital reserves		207,687		180,010
Operating deficit - ancillary and support units		(18,650)		(23,317)
Faculty and research trust funds		138,355		123,895
Equipment reserves		71,012		68,281
Self-insurance funds		1,317		1,239
Undistributed investment returns		184,585		154,205
Major strategic opportunities fund		322,154		311,490
Sinking funds		42,951		41,530
	\$	1,978,885	\$	1,881,987

- i) Investment in capital assets represents the unamortized value of capital assets funded by the University, net of outstanding debt. It excludes those assets funded through capital contributions.
- ii) Departmental carry forwards represent amounts that vary from budget. The University has in place a flexible budgeting program, which allows operating budget units to defer surpluses and deficits to the subsequent year(s).
- iii) The capital reserves represent funds internally restricted for deferred maintenance, capital emergencies and capital projects either planned or in progress.
- iv) Ancillary and support unit carry forwards (deficits) represent amounts that these units are permitted to carry forward.

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- v) Faculty and research trust funds include donations and other revenue with no external restrictions that departments are permitted to carry forward.
- vi) The equipment reserves represent funds that departments have allocated for the future replacement of assets.
- vii) The reserve for self-insurance represents funds set aside to cover uninsured losses and the deductible portion of insured losses.
- viii) The undistributed investment returns represent funds internally restricted for uses as determined by the University.
- ix) The major strategic opportunities fund represents funds to be used for strategic opportunities and the long-term benefit of the University.
- x) Sinking funds were established for the purpose of accumulating funds to repay principal outstanding on the University's debentures at maturity.

#### 14. ENDOWMENTS

#### (a) Endowments

Endowments consist of externally restricted donations received by the University and internal resources transferred by the University in the exercise of its discretion. The University ensures, as part of its fiduciary responsibilities, that investment income generated from endowments is used in accordance with the various purposes established by donors or the University.

Net assets restricted for endowment consist of the following:

	2023		2022		
Externally endowed	\$	855,054	\$	827,389	
Internally endowed		286,652		217,455	
	\$	1,141,706	\$	1,044,844	
Represented by:		2023		2022	
Endowed funds	\$	778,899	\$	683,669	
Accumulated investment returns		362,807		361,175	
	\$	1,141,706	\$	1,044,844	

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#### (b) Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund Endowment

#### i) Phase I

Externally restricted endowments include grants provided by the Government of Ontario for the Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund (OSOTF) matching program. These monies are to award student aid as a result of raising an equal amount of endowed donations.

		2023 Western		2023 Affiliates	 2022 Vestern	,	2022 Affiliates
Changes in Endowment Fund Balances	i						
Fund balances, beginning of year	\$	63,999	\$	2,949	\$ 62,250	\$	2,939
Cash donations	·	120	·	, -	61		<i>'</i>
Preservation (use) of capital		(179)		-	1,628		_
Other change to balance		150		2	 60		10
Fund balances, end of year	\$	64,090	\$	2,951	\$ 63,999	\$	2,949
Changes in Expendable Funds Availabl	e fo	or Awards					
Fund balances, beginning of year	\$	1,588	\$	883	\$ 1,298	\$	993
Investment income		2,332		123	2,210		56
Expendable donations		3		-	54		-
Value of bursaries awarded		(2,006)		(149)	(1,914)		(156)
Other change to balance		(150)		(2)	(60)		(10)
Fund balances, end of year	\$	1,767	\$	855	\$ 1,588	\$	883

The fair value of the endowment at April 30, 2023 was \$69,690 (2022 - \$69,439). The number of awards disbursed was 753 (2022 - 772).

The amounts for affiliated colleges noted above are provided for information purposes only and are not included in the combined financial statements.

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ii) Phase II
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	<u>V</u>	2023 Vestern	2023 Affiliates	<u></u>	2022 Vestern	Α	2022 ffiliates
Changes in Endowment Fund Balan	ces						
Fund balances, beginning of year	\$	23,052	\$ 1,524	\$	22,516	\$	1,518
Cash donations		30	-		65		-
Preservation (use) of capital		(184)	-		465		-
Other change to balance		60	1		6		6
Fund balances, end of year	\$	22,958	\$ 1,525	\$	23,052	\$	1,524
Changes in Expendable Funds Avail	able for	Awards					
Fund balances, beginning of year	\$	449	\$ 387	\$	393	\$	374
Investment income		1,950	20		1,917		84
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Expendable donations		32	-		30		-
		•	- (64)		30 (1,885)		(65)
Expendable donations		32	- (64) (1)				-

The fair value of the endowment at April 30, 2023 was \$25,179 (2022 - \$25,423). The number of awards disbursed was 266 (2022 - 274).

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#### (c) Ontario Trust for Student Support Endowment

Externally restricted endowments include grants provided by the Government of Ontario for the Ontario Trust for Student Support (OTSS) matching program. These monies are to award student aid as a result of raising an equal amount of endowed donations.

		2023 Western		2023 Affiliates	_\	2022 Vestern	,	2022 Affiliates
Changes in Endowment Fund Balances								
Fund balances, beginning of year	\$	68,677	\$	7,998	\$	66,928	\$	7,948
Cash donations		17		7		195		3
Preservation (use) of capital		(388)		-		1,540		_
Other change to balance		101		38		14		47
Fund balances, end of year	\$	68,407	\$	8,043	\$	68,677	\$	7,998
Changes in Expendable Funds Available for Awards								
Fund balances, beginning of year	\$	457	\$	881	\$	420	\$	840
Investment income		1,813		173		1,734		411
Expendable donations		17		-		18		-
Value of bursaries awarded		(1,769)		(313)		(1,701)		(323)
Other change to balance		(101)		(38)		(14)		(47)
Fund balances, end of year	\$	417	\$	703	\$	457	\$	881

The fair value of the endowment at April 30, 2023 was \$77,669 (2022 - \$78,086). The number of awards disbursed was 536 (2022 - 547).

The amounts for affiliated colleges noted above are provided for information purposes only and are not included in the combined financial statements.

#### 15. THE SEYMOUR SCHULICH ENDOWMENT FUND

The Seymour Schulich Endowment Fund has a current fair value of \$43,481 (2022 - \$44,364). The Fund includes \$11,639 received from two Government of Ontario matching programs, the Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund and the Ontario Trust for Student Support.

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#### 16. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

The net change in non-cash balances related to working capital consists of the following:

	 2023	2022		
Accounts receivable and other long-term other assets	\$ (23,480)	\$	2,553	
Inventories	(718)		(9)	
Prepaid expenses and deposits	22		82	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	3,537		11,012	
Deferred fees and income	 5,412		5,860	
Net change in non-cash working capital	\$ (15,227)	\$	19,498	

#### 17. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### (a) Legal matters

The University is involved in litigation and disputes that arise in the normal course of operations. In respect to these claims the University believes it has valid defences, funded provisions and/or appropriate insurance coverage in place. Litigation is subject to many uncertainties, and the outcome of individual matters is not predictable. It is possible the final resolution of some of these matters may require the University to make expenditures in excess of estimated reserves, over an extended period of time and in a range that cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. The University's policy is to recognize the losses on litigation and disputes when the outcome becomes reasonably determinable. In the administration's judgement no material exposure exists on the eventual settlement of litigation.

#### (b) Capital commitments

The estimated cost to complete capital projects in progress at April 30, 2023 is approximately \$40,000 (2022 - \$76,000).

#### (c) Lease commitments

The University leases premises for academic purposes and the remaining aggregate minimum rental payments under operating leases are as follows:

	(	Lease commitments
2024	\$	954
2025		971
2026		3,168
2027		3,913
2028		3,937
Subsequent years		39,847
	\$	52,790

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#### (d) Canadian Universities Reciprocal Insurance Exchange

The University participates in a reciprocal exchange of insurance risks in association with other Canadian universities. This self-insurance reciprocal, CURIE, involves a subscriber agreement to share the insurable property and liability risks of member universities for a term of not less than five years. Plan members are required to pay annual deposit premiums, which are actuarially determined and expensed in the year. If premiums collected are insufficient to cover expenses and claims, the University may be requested to pay additional amounts.

#### 18. PLEDGES

Total pledges outstanding and expected year of collection are as follows:

	 Pledges		
2024	\$ 27,193		
2025	9,309		
2026	7,023		
Subsequent years	 35,919		
	\$ 79,444		

#### 19. COMPARATIVE INFORMATION

Certain comparative information has been reclassified where necessary to be consistent with the presentation adopted in the current year.