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RESEARCH UPDATE

GW Faculty Senate

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GW's Strategic Framework Aims to Grow Research

GW's strategic framework will guide decision-making, shape priorities and inspire GW's collective progress.

➤ [Interdisciplinary Research Ecosystem Working Group](#)

- Defining and growing the essential characteristics and components of a thriving interdisciplinary research ecosystem.

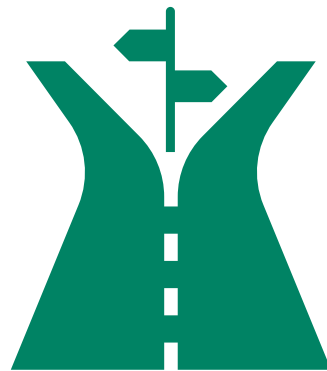
➤ [AI Mapping Initiative](#)

- Exploring AI implementation in research, education and operations and the associated opportunities and risks.



Advancing Research Through Uncertainty and Change

2025 was a year of **navigating a rapidly evolving federal landscape** and **supporting a community of scholars through uncertainty** *all while* **advancing strategic initiatives** and **solidifying GW's research infrastructure**.



Reflecting on a Year of Excellence

Advancing knowledge and impact

85

Highly prestigious awards held by GW faculty

544

New Venture Competition participants

4,200+

Publications

50+

Books

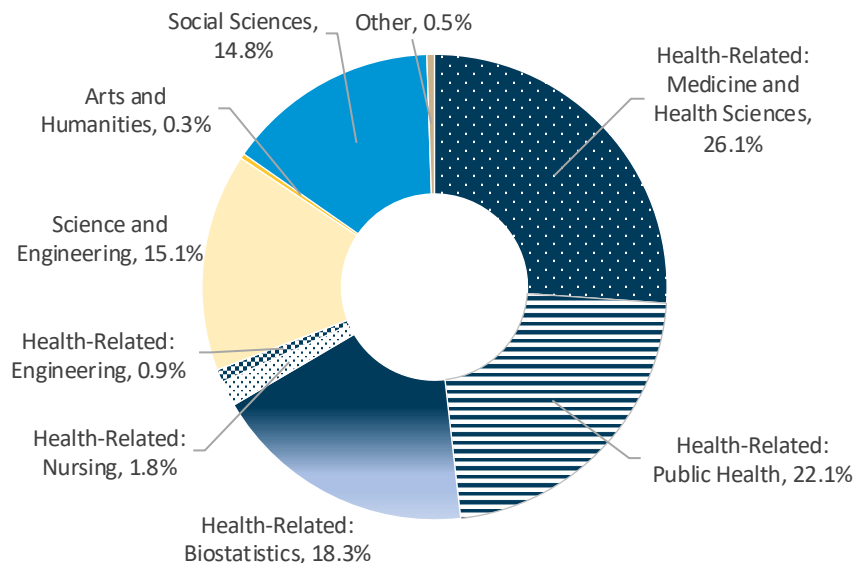
Top 100

U.S. institutions granted utility patents

53

Inventions disclosed

\$234.9 million in total research expenditures from all sources (FY25)



Solidifying GW's Research Enterprise

- **Stabilize and enhance research administration with an emphasis on interdisciplinary research, shared services and compliance**
 - Strategic Framework; AI mapping initiative
 - Research Support Teams; updated Allegations of Research Misconduct Policy; streamlined process for activating multi-site research with human volunteers
- **Align OVPR with other academic and administrative units**
 - Cross-functional working groups on research data management, hiring, and enterprise-wide risk



Solidifying GW's Research Enterprise

➤ **Support faculty in grant writing and diversifying their funding portfolios in response to changing federal landscape**

- Research enhancement consultants; strategic bridge funding opportunities; and offering targeted training opportunities in grant writing and innovation

➤ **Engage creatively with industry and international partners**

- Dual-Use I-Corps Cohort; entrepreneurship programming; and fostering international collaborations



Solidifying GW's Research Enterprise

- **Increase visibility and external recognition of faculty excellence**
 - InnovationFest; AAAS Institutional Membership
- **Promote core and shared facilities for external use**
 - Implemented iLab for facility scheduling and billing



Celebrating GW Research, Scholarship and Creativity

➤ School-based Research Showcases

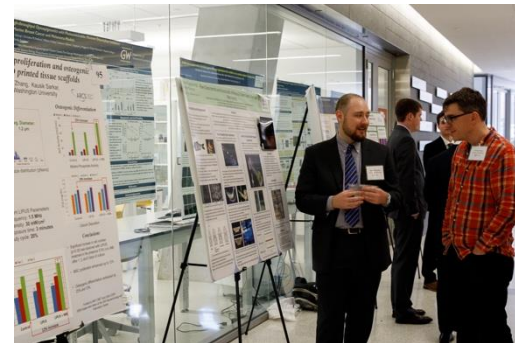
- Various dates throughout April

➤ InnovationFest

- Second annual university-wide celebration of impactful research, scholarship, creativity and entrepreneurship
- 2026 theme is AI Across Disciplines

Save the Date!

Thursday, April 30, 2026; 10am-2pm
Charles E. Smith Center



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