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UOG's Research Excellence Recognized in 2025 Carnegie Classification

The University of Guam has been recognized as a Research College and University (RCU) by the 2025 Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. This designation reaffirms UOG's commitment to advancing research in Micronesia and places UOG among 216 institutions across the U.S. with significant research activity, underscoring its role in driving innovation and knowledge creation.

According to the Carnegie Classification update, UOG reported \$22.4 million in research expenditures for fiscal year 2023, solidifying its standing as a key research institution in the Pacific. UOG's robust research grant portfolio supports groundbreaking work in marine and environmental sciences, terrestrial biology, water resources, health sciences, public policy and economics, Micronesian history and culture, and agriculture—areas of critical importance to Guam and the broader Micronesian region.

In fiscal year 2023, UOG managed over 170 federal research grants which supported 224 full and part-time positions and contributed \$10 million in salaries and benefits to the local economy.

UOG President Anita Borja Enriquez emphasized the significance of this milestone: "The University of Guam will build on this recognition and momentum as we tulos mo'na (propel forward together in unison). We remain focused on initiatives that will further UOG's ability to provide a valuable education, serve the needs of the communities in Guam and the region, and drive transformative research from island wisdom to global impact."

The Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education, established in 1970, is the leading framework for categorizing U.S. colleges and universities based on their academic offerings, research activities, and overall institutional characteristics. The RCU designation strengthens UOG's position among national and international research institutions, unlocking funding opportunities, academic collaborations, community engagements, partnerships, and enhanced student research experiences.

For more information on UOG's research initiatives, visit: www.uog.edu/research.

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Photo Caption: University of Guam President Anita Borja Enriquez provides welcoming remarks at the UOG Inaugural Research Forum held on August 9, 2024, at the Jesus and Eugenia Leon Guerrero School of Business and Public Administration Building on the UOG campus. UOG has been recognized as a Research College and University (RCU) by the 2025 Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.