

Facts and Figures – Timeline

Our humble beginnings at Western

- First Biochemist hired in 1921
- Biochemistry Dept. founded in 1924
- First Biochemistry Honors BSc awarded 1968
- First Biochemistry MSc awarded in 1948
- First Biochemistry PhD awarded in 1949

Our growth

Faculty Members

- 1 in 1921
- 2 in 1947
- 36 in 1977
- 55 in 2007

Total Research Funding

- \$86,000 in 1977
- \$340,000 in 1987
- \$1.5 million in 1997
- \$5.6 million in 2007

Undergraduate Students

- ~613 enrolled in 12 Biochemistry courses in 1977
- ~607 enrolled in 11 Biochemistry courses in 1987
- ~1370 enrolled in 11 Biochemistry courses in 1997
- ~2340 enrolled in 22 Biochemistry courses in 2007

Graduate Students

- 40 in 1977, of which 6 graduated in 1977
- 43 in 1987, of which 9 graduated in 1987
- 49 in 1997, of which 12 graduated in 1997
- 82 in 2007, of which 16 graduated in 2007

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Departmental Facilities

1 in 1997 (NMR Lab)

6 in 2007:

- Biomolecular NMR Facility
- Functional Proteomics Facility
- Macromolecular Crystallization Facility
- MALDI Mass Spectrometry Facility
- Biological Mass Spectrometry Laboratory
- Biomolecular Interactions & Conformations Facility