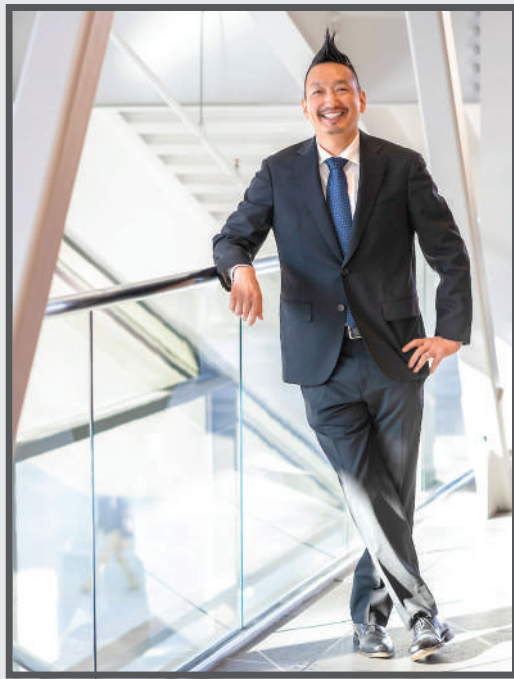


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Dr. Christopher T. Nomura is the University of Idaho's vice president for research and economic development, and a professor of biochemistry. And you need to know about him. Prior to his role at the University of Idaho, Nomura served as the vice president for research at SUNY in the

College of Environmental Science and Forestry. With a doctorate in biochemistry, microbiology and molecular biology from The Pennsylvania State University, he fits right in with our big goals as a university.

Our ambitious goal is to reach R1 classification by the year 2025. **And it is within reach.** Our faculty are competing with R1 universities for grants and competing well. We continue progressing toward R1 classification, which will benefit our entire university community and state, and help solve some of society's biggest challenges by allowing our faculty to better compete for large research grants.

Innovation and Record Setting Research. The University of Idaho's research portfolio continues to expand and deepen. In fiscal year 2022 we set a record for research expenditures -- \$115.6 million. This total does not include the record \$55 million grant for climate-smart agriculture in Idaho that we won last fall. Our outstanding faculty and support units consistently punch above their weight, and we couldn't be more proud.



Speaking of large research grants, last year we highlighted the Deep Soil Ecotron facility, which is funded by a \$19 million grant from the National Science Foundation.

More than half of our undergraduate students conduct research with faculty, which is a significant factor in attracting high-achieving students. Those hands-on experiences also prepare students to be job-ready at graduation. U of I graduates have the highest average starting and mid-career salaries of any public university in Idaho.

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