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Chair, on Behalf of SAIT's Board of Governors

POLICY

The policy of the Board of Governors is to contribute to economic development by providing applied research and development, technology transfer and pre-commercialization services to industry customers and partners in areas of institute expertise.

DEFINITIONS

Applied research and development

Activities that move concepts from the theoretical, conceptual stage to the commercialization stage, usually by engaging in proof of concept, prototype development, testing and validation activities.

Pre-commercialization

Activities associated with pre-competitive development, where the technical feasibility of the product or process has already been established and it can be demonstrated that the product or process could reasonably be expected to work and be successful in the marketplace.

Technology transfer

The transfer of ideas, information, methods, procedures, techniques, tools or technology from the developers to potential users.

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GOVERNING PRINCIPLES

1. SAIT's applied research and development, technology transfer and pre-commercialization services focus on meeting identified industry and business requirements. The applied research projects in which SAIT engages will promote the transfer of knowledge to SAIT employees and students.
2. The Applied Research and Innovation Services department shall ensure financial integrity and stewardship of all applied research projects at SAIT.

POLICY/PROCEDURE REFERENCE

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| AC.4.1.1 | Applied Research Services procedure |
| AC.4.1.2 | Financial Management of Applied Research Projects procedure |
| AC 4.1.3 | Peer Review Panel procedure |

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