



Proposed Final Report

Joint Center for Aerospace Technology Innovation (JCATI) Sunset Review

Legislative Auditor’s Conclusion: The Legislature should continue the JCATI program because it is meeting legislative intent to pursue joint university-industry research, enhance the education of students, and work with aerospace firms in Washington.

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JCATI is a grant program

**Provides 1 year
aerospace research
grants to Washington
public university
professors.**

Established in 2012

Received **\$3 million**
per biennium

JCATI is subject to the Sunset Act

(RCW 43.131)

Sunset Act directs JLARC to review entities in the year prior to termination date.

JLARC is directed to recommend to continue, modify, or terminate program.

Legislative goals are being met

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JCATI awarded **\$9M** across **109** grants.

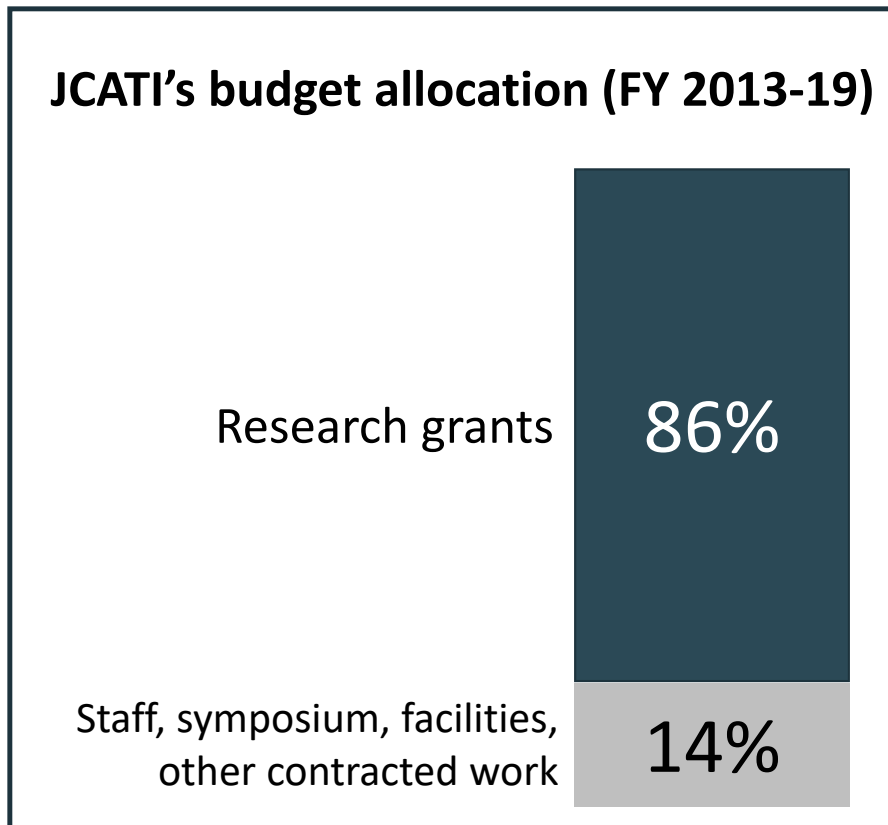
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Grants involved **392 students** from four Washington universities.

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64 aerospace firms were involved with grants and at least 1 WA firm associated with each grant.

The program is efficient and economical



Leveraged \$7M in cash and in-kind donations from aerospace firms to support research.

Follows established procedures of the National Science Foundation.

JCATI is unique in its focus on both Washington's aerospace industry and student education

GRANT REQUIRES	JCATI	3 FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS
National pool of applicants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Applicants (professors) from WA 4-year public institutions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
WA firm partner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research that enhances the education of students	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research that benefits WA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Legislative Auditor's Recommendation

The Legislature should **continue** the Joint Center for Aerospace Technology Innovation (JCATI) because the legislative intent to pursue industry-university aerospace research, enhance the education of students, and work with aerospace firms in Washington is being met.

JCATI concurs with this recommendation



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