The Government of Canada announced that York will receive $40.8M in funding to modernize labs in the Faculties of Science and Health, create a new building for the Schulich School of Business, and upgrade the central utilities building. The provincial government will contribute $6.6M towards these initiatives.

Three York University projects received a total of $442,000 through the Canada Foundation for Innovation's (CFI) John R. Evans Leaders Fund:

- $150,000 for Science professor Demian Ifa's project, Diagnosis of Squamous Cell Carcinoma Through Combined Mass Spectrometry Imaging, Metabolomics and Multivariate Analysis;
- $147,000 for Science professor Chun Peng's project, Facility for Women's Reproductive Health Research;
- $145,000 for Lassonde professor Simone Pisana's project, Laboratory for Ultrafast Thermo-magnetics.

Astronomy students' radio program YorkUniverse broadcast its 300th radio show from the York Observatory.

The Canada Council for the Arts awarded both Art Gallery of York University (AGYU) director Philip Monk and AMPD alumna Shelagh Keeley (BFA '77) with a 2017 Governor General's Award in Visual and Media Arts. Philip Monk also received the Outstanding Contribution Award.

IBM Canada awarded York a $1.8-million in-kind gift for the Advanced Disaster, Emergency and Rapid Response Simulation (ADERSIM) initiative, led by York’s emergency management programs.
A group of Schulich students named Team Empower won the Hult Prize Regional Finals in Shanghai for a project which advocates for stable and affordable internet access for refugees.

Faculty of Science professor Ernst Ham was elected President of the History of the Earth Sciences Society for 2017-2018.

Osgoode’s intellectual property law program IP Osgoode announced a new partnership with the International Law Research Program (ILRP) at the Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI) that includes $100K in funding for an administrator for IP Osgoode’s Innovation Clinic.

Lassonde PhD student Nima Shahbazi was one of 44 people selected to be part of the first class of the inaugural NextAI program.

Schulich alumna Thanh Vu (BBA ’12) was recognized as the first Vietnamese female ultramarathoner.

Faculty of Education course director Nastassia Subban and former MES student Charmaine Lurch were among 150 inspiring black women making Canadian history showcased in the HERstory in Black project.
BES student Nishal Shah and MEd student Melinda Phuong represented York at Universities Canada’s Converge 2017 conference in Ottawa.

Schulich professor Andre Kuzmicki earned the NAIOP Lifetime Achievement Award for Leadership in Industry and the Community.

The York Lions won 5 medals at the 2017 Ontario University Athletics (OUA) track and field championships, finishing fifth place overall.

Schulich to celebrate the achievements of four graduates with 2017 Alumni Recognition Awards:

- Stephen J. Sadler (MBA ‘79) - Outstanding Executive Leadership
- Stacey A. Mowbray (MBA ‘88) - Outstanding Progress and Achievement
- Philip A. Taylor (MBA ‘79) - Outstanding Public Contribution
- Jonathan Cheung (MBA ‘73) - Outstanding Contribution to the Schulich School of Business

Science student Armita Jalooli was one of four prize winners at a Three-Minute Thesis Competition at the annual Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) National Conference.
The York Lions men’s hockey team won its first Queen’s Cup championship in 13 years with a victory over the Queen’s University Gaels on March 11. The team will compete for the U SPORTS national championships in Fredericton.

A team from Osgoode won first place for planning and strategy and second place at the first annual Canadian Negotiation Competition.

Four Schulich students were named to Canada’s Next Top Ad Exec’s Top 25.

The Faculty of Graduate Studies honoured Professor Carl James with the Faculty’s Teaching Award for his work as a supervisor and mentor, and for his commitment to social justice.

PhD student Bruno Véras received the Antonieta de Barros Award for the promotion of racial and gender equity in Brazil.

Osgoode students Paul Blizzard, Denver Bandstra & Lawrence Yu placed second at the 2017 International Patent Drafting Competition.
Faculty of Science professor Thilo Womelsdorf received the E.W.R. Steacie Memorial Fellowship from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) for his research on how brain cells transmit information.

The Jay and Barbara Hennick Centre for Business and Law at York University presented the 2016 Hennick Medal for Career Achievement to alumna Carol Hansell (LLB/MBA ’86), founder and Senior Partner of Hansell LLP and Hansell McLaughlin Advisory.

The winners of the 2016 President’s Staff Recognition Awards were announced on March 9:

- Carol Weldon, Administrative Assistant, Centre for Atmospheric Chemistry, won The Ronald Kent Medal;
- Sheelagh Atkinson, Associate Director, University Events & Ceremonials, Advancement Services, won The Deborah Hobson York Citizenship Award;
- Sarah Cantrell, Assistant Vice-President, Office of Institutional Planning & Analysis, won The President’s Leadership Award;
- Donna Hewison, Student Affairs Assistant, Office of the Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies, won The President’s Voice of York Award;
- Feleg Belay, Custodian, Custodial Services, Campus Services & Business Operations, won The Phyllis Clark Campus Service Award;
- The Office of the Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies, won the Harriet Lewis Team Award for Service Excellence.
Second-year JD student Alexandra Da Silva was selected to be Osgoode's 2017 Dean for a Day.

Osgoode professor Giuseppina D'Agostino was appointed to the McMichael Canadian Art Collection Board of Trustees.

Biology professor John McDermott's appointment as McLaughlin Research Chair in the Faculty of Science has been renewed for a second five-year term.