

State Agency	University of Oklahoma • <u>SW0135</u>
Scope of Work	Earned Media, Crisis Communications and Issues Management Support, Brand Message Testing
Date Awarded	July 2022
Term of work	07/01/2022-06/30/2023
Fee Revenue*	\$243,033.64
Contract Amount**	\$243,033.64

^{*}Fee Revenue is the amount paid to Saxum for services rendered. Saxum pays a 1% fee on all state work to OMES quarterly.

MEANINGFUL & MEASURABLE IMPACT

Significant media reach and value growth:

- Secured 135 earned media placements, reaching an audience of over 700 million individuals
- Achieved a 31% increase in media value compared to the previous year, reflecting the effectiveness of proactive pitching efforts

• Enhanced OU's reputation and public perception:

- Elevated positive/neutral media value by 143%, contributing to a strengthened reputation and improvements in public perception
- Played a pivotal role in increasing media value for the university from Saxum's pitched media efforts by 7,821%

Strategic collaboration and engagement with OU Marketing and Leadership Cabinet:

- o Created a media relations training for all OU campus communicators and experts
- Provided online media newsroom recommendations to help showcase university news in a transparent and easy to access format
- o Developed a media tools audit to identify efficiencies and cost-saving opportunities
- o Collaborated on a student engagement audit
- Provided insights and strategy for crisis communications and held post-mortem with
 OU marketing communications leaders

• Conducted research to help refine and validate new brand message

- Conducted comprehensive brand research to gauge audience perceptions of the "There's Only ONE" brand
- Leveraged research insights to optimize the brand strategy, ensuring it resonates with key target audiences such as prospective students, parents and other target audiences

Questions or Comments: Please reach out directly to contracts@saxum.com with any questions.

^{**}Contract Amount includes pass-through costs such as media buys, sponsorships, etc.