

Answer on Question #43342, Math, Other

A university invests \$600,000 at simple interest, part at 6%, half that amount at 4.5%, and the rest at 3.5%. What is the most that the university can invest at 3.5% and be guaranteed \$24,600 in interest per year?

Solution:

So let x = amount invested at 4.5% ;

$2x$ = amount invested at 6% ;

$600000 - 3x$ = amount invested at 3.5% ;

$$4.5\% * x + 6\% * 2x + 3.5\% * (600000 - 3x) = 24,600$$

$$0.045x + 0.12x + 21000 - 0.105x = 24600$$

$$0.06x = 3600$$

$$x = 60000$$

$$600000 - 3x = 420000$$

most that the university can invest at 3.5% = \$420,000

Answer: \$420,000