

Women in STEM Q&A  
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I'm an Associate Professor and hope to launch a collaboration with a woman who is a full professor in another department at UNM. Would we qualify to apply for the two investigator award or would I apply as a single investigator?

*For the collaborative proposals, priority will be given to collaborations between two assistant or associate women STEM faculty. You may slightly improve your odds by applying for a single PI award (with a full prof collaborator), although you are welcome to apply with a full prof for a collaborative award.*

Are research faculty eligible to apply?

*Research faculty are not eligible to apply this year.*

Can assistant and associate professors in the Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences apply for the grants? Our department is part of the College of Arts and Sciences.

*As long as proposals are on basic research (not clinical), they should be fine for this program.*

Must an IRB protocol be submitted simultaneously with a proposal (for the case where human subjects would be involved)?

*You do not need to have the IRB protocol ready to submit when you submit the proposal. We'll require you to have IRB approval before we release any funds.*

Does the proposal need to go through Cayuse or any other University routing system?

*No, the proposal does not need to go through Cayuse; these funds are internal to UNM. You can use the budget template on the OSP website, if you like. The completed proposal (with department signatures) is then emailed to [frdo@unm.edu](mailto:frdo@unm.edu).*

Do education research projects in STEM qualify for funding?

*An educational research proposal will probably not be rated as highly as other types of research this year.*

If a PI has an idea for a travel grant and another idea for a seed award, could she submit both or would she have to do one in this call and one for the next call for proposals?

*A PI can only submit one application per cycle, not one of each type.*

My primary appointment is in the UNM Dept. of Orthopaedics but I have a joint appointment in Mechanical Engineering—am I eligible to apply?

*Yes, you are definitely eligible for this program as long as you are proposing basic research and not clinical work. If at all possible, your proposal should link to your SOE ties.*

Are cited references included in the 5 pages limit?

*No, references do not count in the 5 page limit.*

I know there is a 5-page limit for the proposal. In addition, there are specific directions on the length of the various sections. Are those strict, or can the space be differently redistributed among the sections, as long as one stays within 5 pages?

*You should follow the guidelines and not reallocate space within the page limits.*