

Research Proposals: From Idea to Submission

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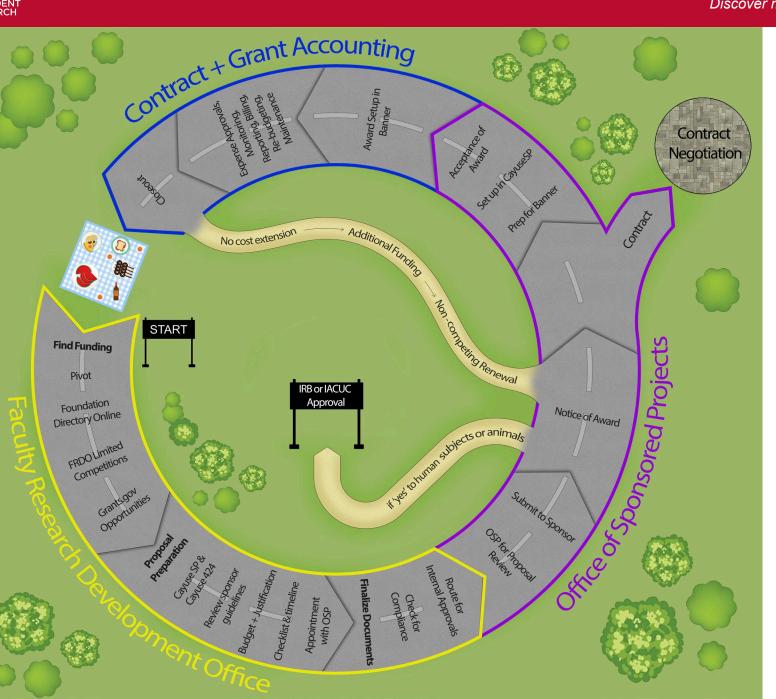


Choosing a funding opportunity

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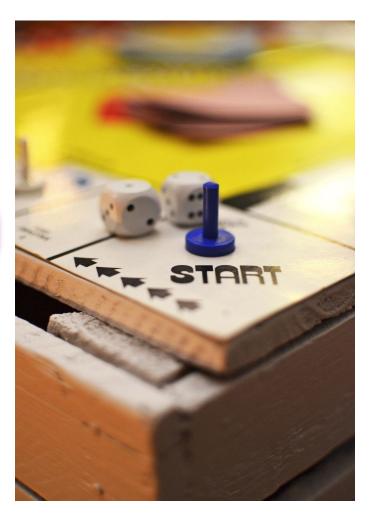




You have a great idea for a research project...









Find the right sponsor...

- Federal
 - National Science Foundation
 - National Institutes of Health
 - National Endowment for the Arts

- Non-federal
 - State & Municipalities
 - Industry
 - Private Foundation





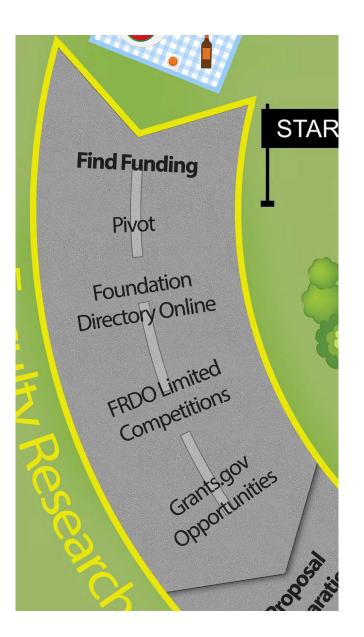
https://libguides.unm.edu/az.php?a=f

FRDO Limited Competitions

http://frdo.unm.edu/?q=limited competition

Grants.gov

https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/manage -subscriptions.html



Early Career webpage on FRDO https://frdo.unm.edu/eci-funding-opportunities

UNM College websites

Individualized searches created by FRDO

Google searches

Sponsor webpages

Once you've clarified your ideas and found a funding announcement...





You may want to speak with a Program Officer

When to contact the PO? What information do you provide? What can you ask?



Partnerships

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Plan Ahead to Capitalize on Other's Strengths

- Collaborators
- Subawards
- External and/or Internal Evaluators
- Broader Impacts Partners
- Target Audiences

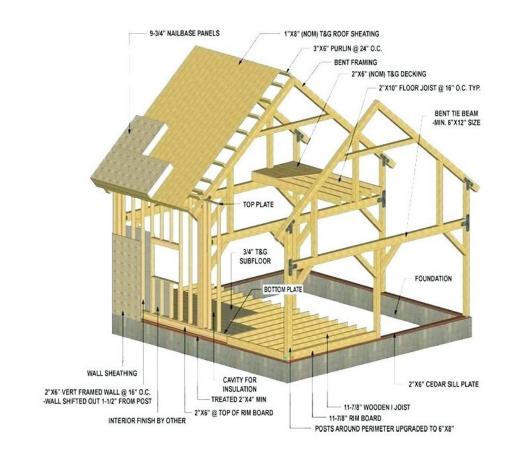


Research Development Comparison Study

Preproposal Planning without Partners

Preproposal Planning with Partners







Looking for Someone or Not Sure Who You Need?







Read the Solicitation & Consult with your FRSO

Institutions are required to secure the services of a professional evaluator unaffiliated with the lead or collaborating institution(s).

...must include researchers from at least two RII- eligible jurisdictions with complementary expertise and resources necessary to tackle those projects No co-Pls are permitted

Partners must be named in the application in the narrative section at the time the application is submitted

...requires the creation of partnerships between academic researchers and third-party organizations

Submit a Request for Proposal Support



http://frdo.unm.edu/



NM STEM Connection

NM STEM-H Connection

Managed by the UNM STEM-H Center for Outreach, Research and Education with support from the NM **Experimental Program to Stimulate** Competitive Research (NM EPSCoR), the NM STEM Connection provides information about STEM resources for K-12 students, teachers, parents, counselors, and administrators as well as higher education faculty/staff and community members in New Mexico.

UNM College Based Outreach

A number of schools and colleges at

UNM offer outreach opportunities.

These are excellent places to begin

partner. Check out the links to their

School of Architecture & Planning

outreach pages below.

College of Education

College of Fine Arts

School of Engineering

College of Arts & Sciences

your own outreach effort, either as an

example to follow or as a collaborative

UNM STEM University



STEM University is a collection of free outside-of-class activities related to science, technology, engineering and mathematics disciplines (STEM) put on by the STEM Collaboration Center. These events connect UNM students with STEM research, scientists, technology and leadership. Faculty can post STEM events by following this link. Click here to access the current list of STEM University events.

UNM Outreach Organizations



Organizations on campus devoted to the recruitment, retention, and

education of students from minority and underrepresented groups.

African American Student Services American Indian Student Services El Centra de la Raza Native Americans in STEM (NASTEM) **Project for NM Graduates of Color** Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program **Student Support Services UNM Division of Equity and Inclusion**

Mission: Graduate



Mission: Graduate is a partnership that brings together educators, employers, educational support providers, government leaders, and citizens to design collaborative projects and align organizational practice and policy toward achieving common goals. They seek partners with interest, experience, & expertise needed to successfully realize their seven core outcomes.

Girls in STEM Groups



These New Mexico groups are devoted to engaging primarily K-12 girls in STEM. The NM Girls Connection Programs and NM Out-of-School Time Network links includes an assortment of programs.

NM Girls Connection Programs NM Out-of-School Time Network Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails Expanding Your Horizon (EYH) ABQ

Industries in NM



Industry collaborations are positive outcomes of some broader impacts. Below are links to some industries in New Mexico already working to improve STEM education and may be productive partners in your proposal.

Key Albuquerque Industries Boeing Honeywell Intel Northrop Grumman Raytheon

Potential Broader Impacts Partners





range of audiences across the state.



Military and National Labs in New Mexico participate in a variety of outreach efforts. Some of them may provide examples to follow while others will include opportunities for partnerships. Check out the links to their outreach pages below.

Air Force Research Lab Los Alamos National Laboratory Sandia National Laboratories

Research Data Support



Effective open source software and data sharing can be incorporated into broader impacts. The Research Data Services provides a variety of services in support of effective research data planning, management, preservation, discovery and use. In addition, the RDS team also provides support for several key research data infrastructure capabilities that are maintained by the Library for use by UNM's research community.

CSTA New Mexico



The Computer Science Teachers Association (CSTA) supports and promotes the teaching of computer science. CSTA provides opportunities for K-12 teachers and their students to better understand computer science and to more successfully prepare themselves to teach and learn. The NM chapter offers a ways to get involved with CS teachers helping to shape CS education in New Mexico.

Albuquerque Museums



Below are links to contact information for local museums. UNM has a Broader Impacts Design partnership with the Explora Science Center, Anthony Salvagno is our direct contact there.

Albuquerque Museum iExplora! Indian Pueblo Cultural Center International Balloon Museum Museum of Nuclear Science & History NM Natural History Museum

https://frdo.unm.edu/unm broader impacts



Finding an Evaluator CRITERIA

Program evaluation is a systematic method for collecting, analyzing, and using information to answer questions about projects, policies and programs, particularly about their effectiveness and efficiency.

In House

- Institute for Social Research
- Cradle to Career Policy Institute
- Organization, Information, & Learning Science (OILS) Program
- https://frdo.unm.edu/evaluation resources

External

NM Evaluators Affiliate



Lynn Nordstrom





Subawards & Collaborations...



Allow Enough Time for Proposal Development & Administration

>> Subcontractors	
If this proposal involves Subcontractors (for which funds are requested), please add them below, and provide the following information to UNM Office of Sponso 1. Statement of Work 2. Budget 3. Budget Justification 4. F&A Rate Agreement 5. Letter from subcontractor signed by an authorized official of the proposed subcontractor NOTE: Please forward the name and location of the sponsor needed to be added to Cayuse to osp@unm.edu.	red Projects
Add Subcontractor Subcontractor: Add Subcontractor	٩
List of Subcontractors: (to edit the list, remove the entry and re-select)	
There are no subcontractors added to the proposal	
https://osp.unm.edu/cayuse-research-suite.html	

Types of Proposal Partnerships

National Science Foundation

"A collaborative proposal from one organization"

- Subaward
- \$ all goes to UNM and then is shared with orgs

"A collaborative proposal from multiple organizations"

- Link Collaborative
- \$ goes directly from NSF to orgs



Types of Proposal Partnerships cont.

National Institutes of Health

Co-Investigators included from other organizations

Subaward

Multi-PI proposal with UNM as the Lead

- Subaward
- Need to include <u>Multiple PD/PI Leadership Plan</u> in Cayuse 424 which will go to the sponsor.



Types of Proposal Partnerships cont.

National Laboratories

- <u>Cannot</u> pay salaries to National Labs for their employees' efforts on federal grants
- Many National Lab employees are also professors or affiliates of the university and can be paid that way.







Types of Proposal Partnerships cont.

Health Science Center (HSC)

- All personnel are 12 month employees
- Subaward not needed
- Internal F&A Split Agreement Form with Cayuse SP submission is required.
 - OSP will manage getting the necessary signatures.



How to Decipher a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)

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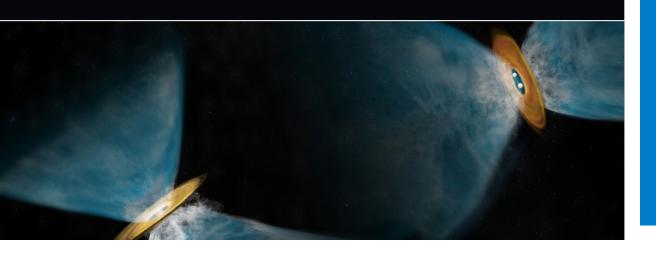
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NSF & NIH Proposal Guides

THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

PROPOSAL AND AWARD POLICIES AND PROCEDURES GUIDE





GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR NIH AND OTHER PHS AGENCIES

SF424 (R&R) Application Packages

Guidance developed and maintained by NIH for preparing and submitting applications via Grants.gov to NIH and other PHS agencies using the SF424 (R&R)



Initial Questions

When is the submission deadline?

Letter of intent (LOI) or pre-proposal?

Are you eligible to serve as the PI?

Is this a limited competition?

Is cost share required?



Document Specifications

What are the page limits?

What sections of the proposal are included within the page limits?

Fonts, margin and spacing requirements

Are headers and footers allowed?

What is the submission method?



You're not alone

Seek assistance

Unit level → College level → FRDO

Create a Cayuse record

Schedule the review appointment with OSP

Submission portal (if applicable)

Budget development





Budget

What is the budget floor/ceiling?

PI effort/time commitment limits

Inclusion of specific costs:

Required Travel? Evaluator?

Facilities and administrative (F&A) costs





- Personnel
 - Faculty, staff, students, Post Docs...
- Materials and supplies
- Equipment
- Tuition
- Travel
- Publication Costs









Next steps

Budget Justification

Completing your technical proposal for review and submission





Proposal Narrative Development

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Research Scholar, FRDO

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How FRDO Can Help:

- Solicitation Interpretation/Analysis
- Editing, Proofreading, Tailoring
- Drafting Supplementary Documents
- Multiple PI Consistency Formatting
- Collaborative Proposal Coordination

Narrative Development

- Read the solicitation carefully.
- Create an outline using the information listed in the instructions.
- Tailor your technical narrative to the listed program goals.
- Respond to the merit review criteria.
- Required Supplementary Documents:
 - Biographical Sketch
 - Current & Pending Support
 - Data Management Plan
 - Facilities, Equipment, Resources
- Additional Supplementary Documents:
 - Letters of Support
 - Letters of Collaboration
 - List of Collaborators/Affiliations

Example:



AIR FORCE OFFICE OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT

4. White Paper Package

The due date for receipt of white papers is 25 Oct 19 by 11:59 PM

Eastern Time. White papers received after the published deadline will not be considered under any circumstance. Early submission of white papers is welcomed and encouraged.

- a. Cover page: Include your name, IHE, proposed title, the Services BAA number, research area addressed, and the name of the program officer contacted about the proposed work (if engaged). Include a protective legend for proprietary information, if applicable.
- b. Abstract (not to exceed 300 words): Describe the research problem and objective, technical approaches, and anticipated outcomes of the research. The abstract must be submitted without proprietary restrictions. Therefore, this non-proprietary abstract must be a version that is releasable under the Freedom of Information Act without changes.
- c. Program Description Narrative (three (3) page limit, single-sided): Describe the basic scientific or technical research to be undertaken. Describe the technical approach. Summarize the state of the field and describe what is innovative about the proposed approach. What results, new knowledge, or insights might this approach afford compared to alternate approaches other researchers in this field have taken. Include approximate yearly costs for the project. Reference



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Example:



Program Description

The Enabling Program is a National Science Foundation-supported initiative aimed at developing junior faculty to become excellent scholars in their individual disciplines as well as in the broader hazards and disasters research community. The aims of the program are to:

- foster the development of a diverse next generation of scholars with a career-long commitment to research on hazards, risk, and disasters;
- contribute to the nation's future research capacity and infrastructure in these areas; and
- add important original scientific knowledge to the areas of hazards, risk, and disasters.

Describe your current research and teaching interests.



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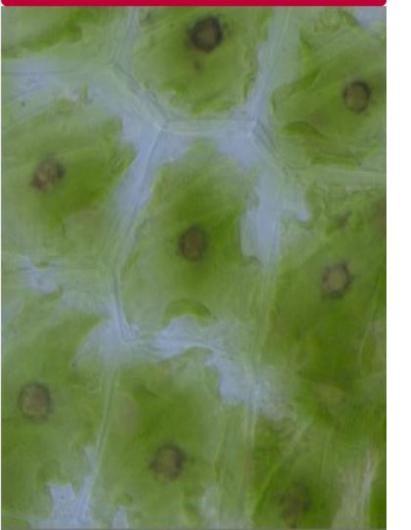
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Click to: Request Proposal Support



Resources

Checklists

Sign up for Alerts!

Agency Program Officers

Faculty Research Development Office

Office of Sponsored Projects



Proposal Review and Submission

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Purpose



The Office of Sponsored Projects (OSP) under the direction of the Office of the Vice President for Research and the Financial Services Division supports the University's research mission by providing administration, management and oversight of extramural sponsored research.

Mission

Our mission is to provide the University of New Mexico's research community with professional expertise and quality customer service in the pursuit and management of external funding. We aspire to further this mission by being a resource to support the Research Strategic Plan and embracing the transparency and compliance aspects of our charge.



PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS

- Scheduling System
 - The PI can maximize the time needed to complete their proposal
 - Appointment provide clarity of when a review will be completed
 - Dedicated and uninterrupted reviews



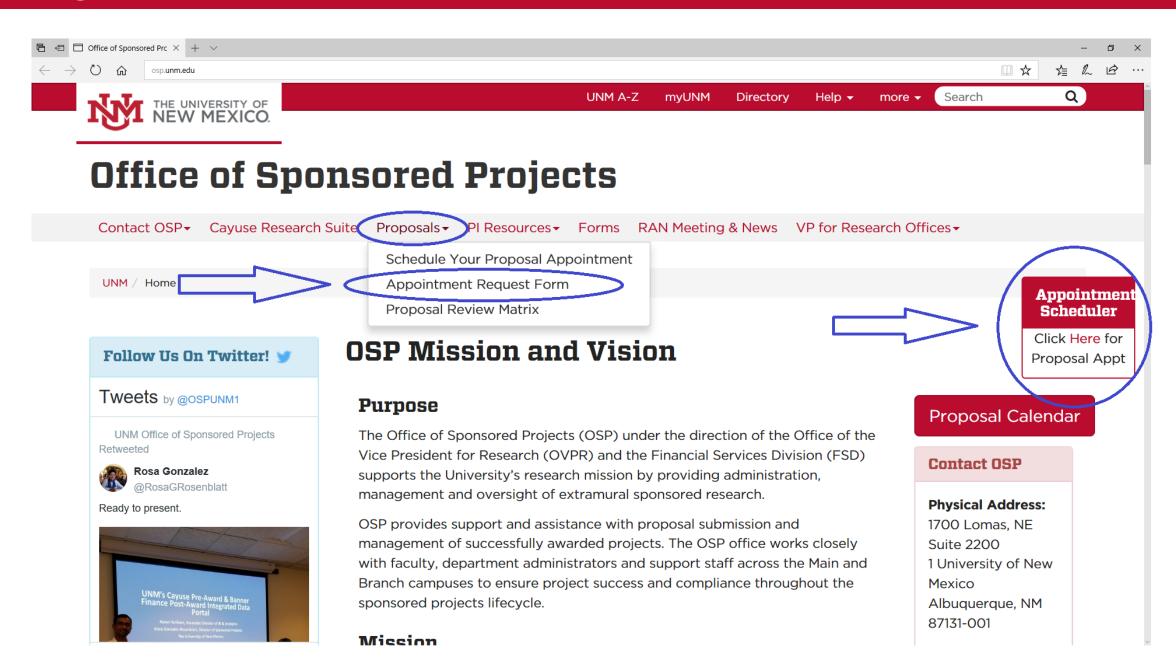
Review and Submission Process

Time is your friend! Plan ahead!

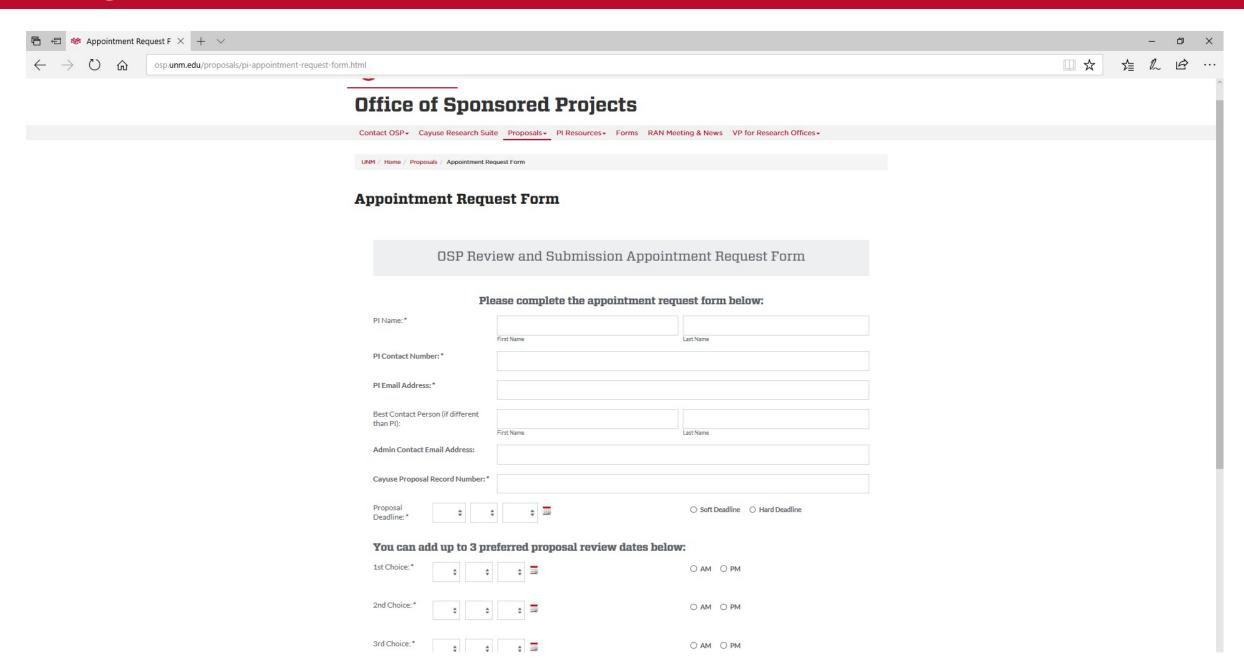
- Create a Cayuse SP record
- Request a Proposal Review and Submission Appointment
- Continue working on your proposal
- Identify any exception requests as early as possible
- Be prepared for your appointment and be available (via phone or email)
- Plan to submit to the Sponsor by the end of your appointment













OSP Review Comparison

Essential Components Review



Comprehensive Review





Scheduling Timeline

	Five or More Days	Four Days Prior	Three Days Prior	Two Days Prior	One Day Prior	Sponsor Due Date
Can a Comprehensive Review Occur?	YES	YES	YES	YES	Based on OSP Availability	Essential Components Only
Essential Component Review	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Essential Components Only

Things to Consider!

*Each Department or Center may have internal processes of their own

*Please be sure to connect to your administrator found on the website below

http://frdo.unm.edu/dept_frdo_support

OFFICE OF SPONSORED PROJECTS Proposal Review Team

Michelle Casias Proposal and System Manager

Tim Wester
Contract and Grant Administrator

Jamey Cook Sr. Sponsored Project Specialists

Nick Olson Sponsored Project Specialists **Brianne Lucero Sponsored Project Specialists**

Shannon Jaramillo Sponsored Project Specialists



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http://osp.unm.edu or Phone: (505) 277-4186



Questions?

More Next Steps—ADVANCE Workshops and more

- Integrating Computation and Data Management through the Entire Research Lifecycle
 - November 15, 12-1:30 pm in the ADVANCE space
- Writing Boot Camp and Accountability Groups—check ADVANCE website



Thank you!

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