UNM Limited Competition Announcement

Dear UNM Researchers,

The Office of the Vice President for Research is requesting pre-proposals for the FY25 DoD Research and Education Program for Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority-Serving Institutions: Equipment/Instrumentation (W911NF25S0005) limited competition. This funding opportunity serves to enhance the research capabilities of HBCUs and MIs and to strengthen their STEM education programs. The purpose of the funding under this FOA is to (1) support the acquisition of equipment/instrumentation to augment existing capabilities or to develop new capabilities in research areas of interest to DoD, and (2) attract students to pursue studies leading to STEM careers. Although funding provided under this FOA cannot be used for student support, in order to further DoD's objective of attracting students to pursue studies leading to STEM careers, applicants must address the impact of the requested equipment/instrumentation on student participation in research.

Sponsor: Department of Defense (DoD)

Opportunity Title: Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 DoD Research and Education Program for Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority-Serving Institutions (HBCU/MI) Equipment/Instrumentation

Opportunity Number: W911NF25S0005 **Sponsor Due Date(s):** 4/28/2025 4:00 pm EST

Award Range: \$200,000-\$1,000,000

Number of Submissions Allowed from UNM: Three (3) Solicitation: https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/358451

Limited Comp. Instructions: Please submit your 3-page pre-proposal, abbreviated budget, and short CVs for key personnel via UNM's <u>InfoReady Review portal</u>. No late submissions will be considered. **Limited Comp. Pre-proposal Due Date: NOON on March 26, 2025**

The pre-proposal should address the major topics that will be included in the proposal narrative, including descriptions of:

- 1) the equipment to be acquired
- 2) how the requested equipment/instrumentation will interface with existing resources or how it will enhance current capabilities
- 3) the area(s) of research and education in which the equipment would be used
- 4) how the equipment would advance research of interest to DoD
- 5) how it will enhance the ability of the institution to encourage students to pursue degrees in STEM fields, including how it will be used in research-related education
- 6) how the institution plans to service and maintain the item(s) after the 12-month period of the award, including source(s) of funding for continued operation and maintenance

Review Criteria

- a. Impact of the requested equipment/instrumentation on the institution's ability to conduct research/research-related education in areas of interest to DoD, either by enhancing current capabilities or establishing new capabilities.
- b. Impact of the requested equipment/instrumentation on STEM programs of the institution.
- c. Impact of the requested equipment/instrumentation on student participation in STEM programs, including students at the applicant institution and high school students.
- d. Qualifications of the PI and other key personnel to use the requested

equipment/instrumentation.

- e. Ability of the institution to operate and maintain the equipment/instrumentation after the end of the DoD support.
- f. Realism and reasonableness of cost.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact us at limited@unm.edu.

If you are affiliated with HSC, please contact HSC Limited Competition at HSC-LimitedComps@salud.unm.edu for more information.