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UNM Researchers,

The Innovations in Graduate Education (IGE) program is designed to encourage the development and implementation of bold, new, and potentially transformative approaches to STEM graduate education training. The program seeks proposals that explore ways for graduate students in research-based master's and doctoral degree programs to develop the skills, knowledge, and competencies needed to pursue a range of STEM careers. The program supports testing of novel models or activities with high potential to enrich and extend the knowledge base on effective graduate education approaches. The program addresses both workforce development, emphasizing broad participation, and institutional capacity building needs in graduate education. Strategic collaborations with the private sector, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), government agencies, national laboratories, field stations, teaching and learning centers, informal science centers, and academic partners are encouraged.

IGE awards are expected to be up to three (3) years in duration with a total budget between \$300,000 and \$500,000. Full proposals are due to NSF on **March 25, 2022**. Complete details can be found in the <u>program solicitation</u>.

This is a limited competition. Each institution may only participate in two (2) Innovations in Graduate Education Project proposals per competition. Participation includes serving as a lead organization on a non-collaborative proposal or as a lead organization, non-lead organization, or subawardee on a collaborative proposal. If you are interested in submitting a proposal, please submit a statement of interest with a tentative project title and a brief description (300 words max) by NOON on Monday, March 1, 2022 via UNM's InfoReady Review portal. Based on the number of SOIs received, the Limited Competition Management Team may announce a call for pre-proposals. No late submissions will be considered.

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

If you are affiliated with HSC, please contact <u>Corey Ford</u> or <u>Cassandra Misenar</u> for more information.