OFFICE OF RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT

WHY
To foster faculty and institutional competitiveness in pursuing extramural funding and increasing proposal success, thereby helping grow NMSU’s research portfolio and achieving Tier One Research designation (Aligns with NMSU’s Vision 2020 Research and Creative Activity Goal and the Research Strategic Plan Goal 1).

HOW
ORD provides strategic, proactive, catalytic, and capacity-building support and services to individual faculty members, teams of researchers, and central research administration, including
- Strategic research planning and development
- Enhancement of collaboration and team science
- Communication of research and research opportunities
- Proposal development support

WHAT

Strategic Research Planning & Development
- Conduct strategic planning
- Identify institutional research priorities
- Liaise with funding agencies
- Facilitate sponsor site visits to NMSU
- Facilitate formal partnerships between faculty and external entities (universities, industries, etc.)
- Provide guidance for research policy

Communication of Research and Research Opportunities
- Support marketing of research, including development of research newsletter, website, and brochures
- Develop and maintain database (GRID) of funding opportunities and researcher collaboration resources
- Collect and disseminate funding information to researchers and administrators
- Serve as a resource for knowledge and information about agencies, opportunities, and research-related funding trends
- Identify appropriate funding mechanisms and target dissemination

Enhancement of Collaboration and Team Science
- Facilitate collaborations between investigators at NMSU and other institutions
- Catalyze new cross-disciplinary research initiatives
- Collaborate with Arrowhead Center to foster and promote commercialization
- Foster connections and team building
- Maintain faculty expertise database and other collaboration web tools
- Develop and/or coordinate resources and tools to promote collaboration
Proposal Development Support

- Provide detailed RFP analysis
- Provide go, no-go guidance
- Provide proposal planning, storyboarding, and organization
- Organize “Red Team” reviews
- Serve as Red Team reviewer
- Manage limited submission review process
- Participate in the limited submission review committee
- Manage requests for cost sharing
- Interact with funding agencies and government offices
- Write, review, and revise proposals
- Analyze proposal reviews to develop resubmission strategy
- Develop and offer workshops for enhancing proposal competitiveness

GRANTS AND RESEARCH INFORMATION DATABASE (GRID)

Developed by ORD, GRID is an interactive, online database and portal that provides NMSU faculty and staff resources for pursuing extramural funding. Features include

**Researcher Profiles:** Searching for collaborators with particular expertise or capabilities? This section allows you to search for NMSU researchers with expertise in the fields in which you are interested.

**External Funding Opportunities:** Seeking additional funding? The External Funding section contains opportunities posted on major government websites and includes only opportunities for which the NMSU community is eligible to pursue.

**Workshops:** Looking for techniques and strategies to help you improve your proposal development skills? Visit this section to view upcoming ORD workshops that target novice through advanced proposal writers.

**Resources:** Want to learn more about what specific funders are looking for in your proposal? This section contains grant writing tips, proposal guides, information about the review process, and other useful documents from NIH, NSF, and others.

**Frequently Requested Information:** Need information about demographics or institutional characteristics for a proposal? This section contains institutional data, NSF rankings, and other information for grant applications.

**Limited Submission Notification System:** Interested in submitting a proposal that has an institutional limit? GRID makes it easy to submit your intent to pursue a limited submission. Just click on the Limited Submission you are interested in, click on the “Submit you intent to pursue” within the announcement, and follow the directions.
PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND RESOURCES

- A member of the National Organization of Research Development Professionals (NORDP), established in 2010 to support professional development, enhance institutional research competitiveness, and catalyze new research and institutional collaborations
- Members of the NORDP Enhancing Research Collaboration and the Mentor-Mentee Committee, which are charged with developing best practices for NORDP and its members

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