



R.H. MALLORY CENTER FOR COMMUNITY GEOGRAPHY

R.H. Mallory Center for Community Geography Classroom Fund for Community Engagement 2023-2024 Application

The R.H. Mallory Center for Community Geography announces a competition for grants to engage UNM classrooms with community partners. The objective of these grants is to provide seed funding that helps faculty members engage their students directly with community-led projects that enhance students' learning experiences while also contributing to community goals and projects centered on human-environment issues.

The deadline for applications is May 1, 2023 by 5:00 PM MDT. For more information, please contact the Center at communitygeography@unm.edu.

General Conditions

1. Open to all UNM faculty whose teaching addresses environmental, spatial, or geographical topics in the coming academic year.
2. Proof of collaboration with community organization(s) must be obtained before the grant is distributed.
3. Awards will be given based on merit.
4. The Center will award up to \$1,500 total, with a maximum of \$1,000 for any single grant.

Application Deadline

For community-engaged classroom work any time during the academic year 2023-2024 including summer 2024, the deadline is May 1, 2023, 5:00 PM MDT.

Application

1. A 500-word statement that includes:
 - a. Name/number of course and semester it will be taught;
 - i. **Note:** Faculty may apply for funding before knowing that a course will be offered, but this should be clearly stated in the application with an explanation of when a decision will be made to go forward with the course.
 - b. Project/plan overview;
 - c. How the funds will help the applicant engage community priorities;
 - d. Identification of specific community groups the applicant would be working with;
 - e. Expected outcomes of collaboration.
2. A general budget, providing expense categories rather than individual items is sufficient. Expense categories may include classroom materials, transportation costs, entry fees, honoraria for community members or organizations working with the class, food, etc.

3. CV

For examples from our currently funded classroom engagements, and principles for community engagement in the classroom, please follow links from the [funding page](#) on our website.

Submission

Submit your proposal electronically to communitygeography@unm.edu as a single PDF. File names must begin with the applicant's last name.

Selection Procedure

1. The Selection Committee is composed of the Director and Associate Director of the Center.
2. Applications are reviewed and awarded solely upon merit.
3. Award recipients will be notified within one week and will have up to 10 days from the date of the award letter to accept the award.

Post-award Procedure

1. Awardees will be asked to prepare a detailed budget before the start of the funded course, and they will work with administrative staff in GES for direct assistance with purchasing and/or reimbursement.
2. Given the community focus of the award, awardees will be asked to disseminate their work in a public forum, including, but not limited to, social media posts. Awardees may be asked to serve on future proposal review committees.