



R.H. MALLORY CENTER FOR COMMUNITY GEOGRAPHY

R.H. Mallory Center for Community Geography Community Geography Fellows Program 2023-2024 Application

The R.H. Mallory Center for Community Geography announces a fellowship competition for graduate and undergraduate students from Geography and related fields. Fellows will receive \$1,500 per semester to pursue community-engaged projects in collaboration with the Center Director, staff, and affiliates. The objective of these fellowships is to help students develop skills in centering community concerns in academic and professional work.

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 graduate and undergraduate students in Geography or related fields.
2. Direct experience with community-engaged projects is not required, but applicants must demonstrate commitment to principles of community engagement that value local knowledge and support community-led work.
3. Applicants are welcome to propose potential projects in their application, but proposals are not required. Fellowship assignments are at the discretion of the Center Director and may not necessarily align with specific proposal text.
4. Awards will be given based on merit.
5. The Center will offer two fellowships each semester of \$1,500 each. Fellows are expected to work a minimum of 5 hours weekly on their assigned community geography project(s) throughout their fellowship semester.

Application Deadline

For Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 fellowships, the deadline is May 1, 2023, 5:00 PM MDT.

Application

1. A 500-word statement that:
 - a. Explains the applicant's interest in community geography.
 - b. Describes the applicant's experience, if any, with community groups or projects in New Mexico.
 - c. Describes the applicant's experience, if any, with academic research or projects at UNM or elsewhere; and
 - d. Identifies specific goals for experience, skills, and relationships the applicant hopes to gain from the fellowship.

2. Fellows are expected to work a minimum of 5 hours weekly on their assigned community geography projects during their fellowship semester(s). Applicants should indicate their timing preference from the list below, and include a statement about their availability if needed:
 - a. Fall 2023 preferred
 - b. Spring 2024 preferred
 - c. Either Fall 2023 or Spring 2024 (no preference)
 - d. Both Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 preferred (if interested in a full-year fellowship)
3. A short resume and/or description of how the project fits with the applicant's overall degree program or professional goals and preparation. Please make sure to include major/minor, degree program, and any relevant coursework.

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 10 days from the date of the award letter to accept the award.

Post-award Procedure

Given the community focus of the fellowship, 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 proposal review committees.