

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

New Mexico Space Grant Consortium (NMSGC) and NM NASA Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR), offer different funding programs for NM faculty. Each program has particular requirements. All programs require nonfederal matching funds.

NASA Space Grant-Research Initiation Grant (RIG)

- Faculty who have never received a RIG or RID in the past will be given priority in making awards.
- Faculty cannot be a PI and/or Co-PI on a RIG and RID simultaneously. One active award at a time.
- Only New Mexico faculty are eligible.
- US citizenship required for faculty and students directly funded by this RIG award.
- Funds are provided by NASA. Awards are contingent on funding from NASA, and are awarded depending on availability of funds.
- Used for research aligning with work at NASA Field Centers and Mission Directorates.
- Expenditures for foreign travel are prohibited.

NASA EPSCoR-Research Infrastructure Development (RID) Grant

- Faculty who have never received a RID or RIG in the past will be given priority in making awards. Faculty who have already received funding in the past and apply again will be given secondary priority.
- Faculty cannot be a PI and/or Co-PI on a RID and RIG simultaneously. One active award at a time.
- Only New Mexico faculty are eligible.
- US citizenship is not required for faculty or students directly funded by this RID award.
- Funds are provided by NASA. Awards are contingent on funding from NASA, and are awarded depending on availability of funds.
- Used for research aligning with work at NASA Field Centers and Mission Directorates.
- Expenditures for foreign travel are prohibited.

Education Enhancement Grant; Public Service & Informal Education Grant

- Faculty who have never received an Education Enhancement Grant or an Informal Education Grant in the past will be given priority in making awards. Faculty who have already received funding in the past and apply again will be given secondary priority.
- Funds are provided by NASA. Awards are contingent on funding from NASA, and are awarded depending on availability of funds.
- Used for research aligning with work at NASA Field Centers and Mission Directorates
- US citizenship required for faculty and students directly funded by this award

Once a RID or RIG grant has ended, and reporting requirements met, the PI may apply again for either RID or RIG. PI with a RID or RIG grant, may not apply nor simultaneously hold, a Public Service & Informal Education Grant or an Education Enhancement Grant. A PI, who holds a RID or RIG award may be listed as a Co-PI on a Public Service Grant, or Education Enhancement Grant.

Once a RID or RIG award has ended, and reporting requirements met, the PI may apply for an Education Enhancement Grant or Public Service & Informal Education Grant. PI may not apply simultaneously for either award.

Student Competition Program

- The Student Competition Program provides funding for student teams participating in NASA related design competitions.
- Student teams from affiliate New Mexico Space Grant universities and community colleges in good standing are eligible to apply.
- All students must who receive funding must be U.S. citizens.
- Faculty advisor is required.
- 100% nonfederal matching funds required.
- Funding may be used toward defraying costs of supplies, travel, and/or registration fees.

