

Spring 2025 Assessment Grant: Call for Proposals

The College of Arts and Sciences Assessment Review Committee at UNM invites applications for assessment project grants in Spring 2025. These grants are available for A&S faculty to support assessment projects that promote improvements in teaching, learning, program delivery, and curricular enhancements that advance student success. Proposals should be no more than 2-3 single-spaced pages in length and describe how the proposed project aligns with department and college strategic planning efforts. Several grants of up to \$2,000 each will be awarded. Deadline of applications is **Friday April 18th** Send application via email to Eva Rodríguez-González assessments@unm.edu

Purpose

The University of New Mexico's 2040 *Opportunity Defined* goals, specifically Goal II (Student Experience and Educational Innovation), and the College of Arts and Sciences' Student Success Strategic Plan (click here for [a first draft](#)) prioritize a student-centered approach to advancing student success. To achieve this, College of Arts and Sciences Spring 2025 assessment grants will focus on enhancing curriculum and assessment practices in our college by implementing evidence-based strategies that eliminate barriers and better support student learning and success. The College of Arts and Sciences Assessment supports both our College and University's goals and priorities by funding projects and initiatives designed to improve or enhance student learning as an important measure of student success. Spring 2025 Assessment grant proposals should address one or more of the following areas:

AREA I: Academic Program Learning Outcomes Assessment – Examples of projects include but are not limited to:

1. Investigating equity gaps in student outcomes and implementing strategies for reducing such gaps.
2. Assessing the impact of program improvement strategies on student learning outcomes, retention, and/or graduation rates.

AREA II: General Education Coursework Learning Outcomes Assessment – Examples of projects include but are not limited to:

1. Assessing the impact of changes focused on improving W rates in a single course or in a GenEd coursework sequence.
2. Integrating and evaluating the impact of inclusive instruction and assessment methods in a course or multiple courses in a GenEd coursework sequence.

While all assessment-related proposals will be considered, additional points will be offered to proposals that meet the following priorities:

- Proposals from new applicants who have not previously received assessment grant(s).
- Proposals that address specific goals in the A&S [Student Success Strategic Plan](#).
- Proposals that include interdisciplinary approaches to assessment that contribute to the success of student in multiple courses and programs.

Award Requirements

Successful applicants will be required to complete the following at the conclusion of the project:

1. Submit a two pages report describing the project, its outcomes, and how the results were used. Deadline: May 15th, 2026, **OR**
2. Design a poster presentation about the project (to be displayed in CAS/individual Department or Program websites). Deadline: May 15th, 2026

Allowable Costs

1. Assessment books, resources, or instruments.
2. Faculty development resources (summer salary to create assessment plans and related instruments).
3. Hourly student employment to assist with data collection and/or analysis.
4. External consulting from disciplinary experts in assessment.

Spring 2025 College Assessment Grant Proposal Application
College of Arts and Sciences

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| Name | |
| Email | |
| Position | |
| Department/Program | |
| Area (I or II) Assessment Proposal | |
| Previous Award Recipient? (Yes or No) | |
| Last Assessment Report Submission (mm/dd/yy) if applicable | |
| Amount Requested (up to \$2000) | |

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1. Describe the proposed change to improve assessment processes and/or student learning.
 2. Describe the assessment evidence/experiences that led you to make the proposed change.
 3. Describe how your proposed assessment project aligns with your Department/Program's strategic planning efforts and the College of Arts and Sciences' student success strategic plan, highlighting specific goals and objectives that your project addresses.
 4. Explain who will be in charge of implementing the changes and why are they are the right person/people to undertake this revision.
 5. Describe the timeline for implementation.
 6. Detail a budget and budget justification for the proposed project.