

## WeR1 GROWL: Grant Revision for Outstanding Wins to Level-up

Pilot Program: Fall 2025

### **Program Summary**

The **WeR1 GROWL** program is designed to support UNM faculty in revising and resubmitting previously declined grant proposals or funded grants that were terminated. Resubmissions can be revised/reframed proposals to the same or a different sponsor/program. By leveraging the higher success rates of resubmissions, the program will help participants gain insights into sponsor review processes and new agency priorities, improve competitiveness, and build confidence in interpreting and responding to feedback.

Participants will engage in a variety of topics, including interpreting reviewer feedback, adapting proposals to meet sponsor guidelines and priorities, and refining communication strategies. Sessions will also provide peer review and support to create personalized plans for resubmission, with priority access to OVPR resources based on participants' specific needs.

### **Eligibility**

- Participants must have submitted an extramural funding proposal that was declined or have been PI on a project that was terminated by a sponsor.
- If reviewer feedback was provided, participants should be prepared to share and discuss it during the program.
- The resubmission must be processed through UNM (via OSP, not an individual award).

**Note:** If you do not meet the eligibility criteria but are interested in discussing resubmission strategies, feel free to reach out to [frdo@unm.edu](mailto:frdo@unm.edu) for a conversation.

### **Program Objectives**

*For Participants:*

- Better understand sponsor review processes and effectively respond to feedback.
- Successfully resubmit a declined proposal to the same or a different sponsor.
- Increase competitiveness across all types of funding proposals.
- Develop skills in interpreting and acting on reviewer feedback.
- Build a cross-disciplinary community of researchers at UNM.

*For UNM:*

- Increase extramural funding success rates.
- Diversify UNM's extramural funding portfolio.
- Empower researchers to achieve their research goals.

### **Application Process**

- **Application Portal:** Applications will be submitted via [InfoReady Review](#).
- **Chair Approval:** Applicants will need approval from their department chair to ensure commitment to the program.

### **Selection Criteria**

- Likelihood of success in resubmission based on the quality of feedback and revisions.
- Potential for award to diversify UNM's funding portfolio.
- Commitment to the program, including commitment to attend sessions and submit the revised proposal.
- Timeliness of the resubmission (must submit revised proposals by summer 2026).
- Size and/or significance of the grant: Proposed resubmissions should be considered major opportunities in their field.
- Alignment of PI goals with GROWL program goals/purpose.
- A balanced cohort mix (ensuring diversity in disciplines and funding agencies).

### **Expectations and Responsibilities**

- **Time Commitment:** Participants should expect to dedicate approximately 1.5 hours per session, plus additional time for assignments and proposal revisions. Sessions will be held on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of September, October, and November 2025 (9-10:30 AM).
- **Active Engagement:** Participants must attend as many sessions as possible, complete structured assignments, participate in discussions, and engage in peer writing and review activities.
- **Proposal Submission:** All participants must submit a revised proposal to an extramural sponsor by summer 2026, with exceptions considered upon request.
- **Program Benefits:** In addition to the inherent benefits of participating in the program, selected participants may receive priority access to OVPR resources as outlined in their personalized resubmission plan, to be developed at the start of the program.

### **Timeline**

- **Application Posting:** April 24, 2025
- **Application Deadline:** May 22, 2025
- **Notification of Selection:** May/June 2025
- **Program Start Date:** September 5, 2025
- **Program End Date:** November 21, 2025

### **Contact Information**

Email [frdo@unm.edu](mailto:frdo@unm.edu) with any questions about the GROWL program or application process.