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From: Faculty Research Development Office (FRDO)  
Office of the Vice President for Research

Subject: Limited Competition: NSF Research Traineeship Program (NRT) NSF 18-507

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UNM Researchers,

The Office of the Vice President for Research is requesting statements of interest for the NSF Research Traineeship Program (NRT) funding opportunity. The NRT program seeks proposals that explore bold, new, and potentially transformative models for graduate students in research-based master's and doctoral degree programs to develop the skills, knowledge, and competencies needed to pursue a range of STEM careers. See the following link for complete details: <https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2018/nsf18507/nsf18507.htm>

For FY2019 and FY2020, the NRT Program requests proposals in any interdisciplinary research theme of national priority, with special emphasis on the six [NSF Research Big Ideas](#). The NSF Research Big Ideas are Harnessing the Data Revolution, The Future of Work at the Human-Technology Frontier, Navigating the New Arctic, Windows on the Universe: The Era of Multi-Messenger Astrophysics, The Quantum Leap: Leading the Next Quantum Revolution, and Understanding the Rules of Life: Predicting Phenotype.

An eligible organization may **participate in two (2) traineeship proposals per competition. Participation includes serving as a lead organization, non-lead organization, or subawardee on any proposal.**

If you are interested in submitting \*or\* participating as a subawardee on a proposal, send a statement of interest with the following: 1) name and departmental affiliation of the Principal Investigator (PI); 2) name(s) and departmental affiliation(s) of the Co-PI(s) and others composing the Core Participants (maximum 10); 3) names(s) of any other (non-lead) participating institutions or organizations; and 4) a tentative project title and brief description of 200 words or less that includes the NSF Big Idea that will be addressed via e-mail to [limited@unm.edu](mailto:limited@unm.edu) by **noon, Monday, October 15, 2018**. **Indicate whether you will be submitting as a lead in a non-collaborative proposal; or as a lead, non-lead, or subawardee in a collaborative proposal.** Based on the statements of interest we receive by the deadline, we will call for pre-proposals for an internal competition, if needed. Only PI's who have submitted a statement of interest will be eligible to submit a pre-proposal.

A \*required\* letter of intent is due to NSF between November 26, 2018 and December 06, 2018. The deadline for full proposals to the NSF is February 6, 2019.

Please distribute this notice to departments and individuals whom you believe would be interested.

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