

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO'S

# GrandChallenges

## Grand Challenges Program Focuses on Interdisciplinary Research Discussions You are invited to participate!

A series of fun, short discussions are being held around interdisciplinary research areas of interest. All faculty, researchers, creative artists, and post-docs are invited to participate. Information on the first two discussions is below. The easiest way to learn about future discussions is to join our Listserv: [Grand Challenges | The University of New Mexico \(unm.edu\)](https://lists.unm.edu/mailman/listinfo/grandchallenges)

If you would like to contribute an idea for discussion or are seeking others to join in your interdisciplinary research, please either complete a [survey](#) or email Anita at [grandchallenges@unm.edu](mailto:grandchallenges@unm.edu).

The [Team Research Symposium](#) on April 19-21, 2022 will kick-off a re-envisioned Grand Challenges program. Teams will be able to apply for the new Phase I Grand Challenge, which will support a year of team building and planning activities, positioning interdisciplinary research teams for success. Additional information on this opportunity will be available soon.

### Human Rights Research: Basic Needs in Higher Education

**The Grand Challenges Program invites you to join in a conversation about research that addresses human rights challenges in higher education.**

Preliminary research results regarding food and housing insecurity are garnering considerable attention at the state level including at the legislative and policy level. Addressing the basic needs of higher education students is a national-level problem that requires an interdisciplinary approach to truly understand and address this challenge.

Please join us for discussions about the teams' current work and future possibilities to collaborate. Faculty, post-docs, researchers, and creative artists from all disciplines and across all UNM campuses are welcome and encouraged.

**The first meeting will be held via Zoom at 4 pm on March 8<sup>th</sup>.**

For more information on this meeting or to share ideas for similar future discussions, contact Anita at [grandchallenges@unm.edu](mailto:grandchallenges@unm.edu).

For more information on research on Basic Needs in Higher Education, please contact Sarita Cargas at [cargas@unm.edu](mailto:cargas@unm.edu).

Join Zoom Meeting

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### Improving STEM Education and STEM Education Research

**The Grand Challenges Program invites you to join in a conversation about STEM Education challenges and STEM Education Research.**

From Quantum Sciences to resiliency against climate changes to securing our national defense, strong and effective pathways into STEM careers are necessary to support our state economy and to assure that our students have access to good jobs now and into the future. We are seeking to bring together researchers and faculty from across disciplines to discuss interdisciplinary research opportunities addressing this challenge in our state and country.

Please join us for discussions about the teams' current work and future possibilities to collaborate. Faculty, post-docs, researchers, and creative artists from all disciplines and across all UNM campuses are welcome and encouraged.

**The first meeting will be held via Zoom from 12-1 on Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>.**

Join Zoom Meeting

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For more information on STEM Education Research, please contact Cari Hushman at [ckimble@unm.edu](mailto:ckimble@unm.edu).

