About the Pack Partnership Grant funded by the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation

The University of Nevada, Reno Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization (TIN: 94-2781749) separate from the University of Nevada, Reno. The Foundation was incorporated in 1981 to provide a mechanism for private individuals, corporations and foundations to make charitable gifts to the University. The Foundation receives, invests and administers funds to benefit the University, while honoring the philanthropic intent of its generous donors.

It is the Foundation’s desire to encourage faculty, staff and students to implement programs and find creative ways to enhance students' learning experience by providing funding for scholarly research, projects and services. The Foundation Board of Trustees budgeted $250,000 to be available for the 2023-24 academic year that will be granted in tiers of up to $50,000, up to $20,000 and up to $10,000 in awards. These funds will invest in efforts to develop programs and enhance the high-quality educational experiences for students and foster student success.

The University Foundation seeks to leverage donor philanthropy by providing funding through our grants program. In doing so, the Foundation is able to help many students, beyond the individuals who receive Foundation scholarships and awards. Our funding priorities for our grants program are aligned with Wolf Pack Rising: Serving Nevada and Beyond 2023-27 Strategic Plan.

This application and guidelines are provided to help applicants understand the grant-making priorities and processes, thereby improving the likelihood of approval for some and saving valuable time for others whose application is not aligned with the University’s strategic focus and priorities.

UNR Foundation Grant Guidelines

I) Eligibility

All current University of Nevada, Reno faculty, staff and students are eligible to receive University Foundation grants. University Foundation Board of Directors who represent a conflict of interest or support must recuse themselves from discussing and voting on grant proposals that would benefit their own department.

II) Grant Limitations/Ineligible Expenses

All purchases using grant funds must follow purchasing and payment policies of the Nevada System of Higher Education and the University of Nevada, Reno. Expenditures of construction, food and hosting, honoraria, equipment, tuition, scholarships and faculty stipends/salaries are not allowed. Student wages are allowable. Foundation grants are not managed by Sponsored Projects and are not subject to facilities and administrative (F&A) costs.

The same project will not typically be awarded more than one year in a row.
III) Review Process

Applications are reviewed by a committee comprised of Foundation trustees and emeriti trustees. Decisions are made based on criteria such as meeting Nevada’s strategic goals, impacting student success and delivering innovation.

V) Due Date and Submission Instructions

Applications are due by 5:00 pm on Friday, April 21, 2023 for projects/purchases during July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024. Faculty, staff and students of the University of Nevada, Reno are eligible to apply for multiple grants. Each application is specific to NSHE identification numbers. If you would like to apply for an additional grant, please reach out to us at donor_relations@unr.edu and we will create a new application for you. The Foundation anticipates that grant selections will be announced June 2023.

VI) Grant Reporting Requirements

All grant recipients must complete a final narrative report by the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2024. The form for this report is available online and will be emailed to recipients. In addition to the narrative report, marketing materials (photos, videos, PowerPoint, etc.) of the project in action are requested and highly encouraged. Grant recipients will be recognized by the Foundation. Recipients are required to present their project and accomplishments/results at the end of the grant cycle (late summer/early fall 2024).

Contact Information
For questions or information needed in preparation of your grant report, please email Foundation Grants.
2023-24 Pack Partnership Grant Application

Project/Program Name:

Name of Applicant:

Contact Info:

Applicant Type:  Faculty  Staff  Student

Grant tier requested:  ☐ Up to $50,000  ☐ Up to $20,000  ☐ Up to $10,000

Project/Program Abstract (10 points)

Please provide a summary of your proposal. Briefly describe the opportunity, challenge, issue or need addressed by your proposed project. (max. 150 words)

Process (20 points)

Summarize the work plan that you will use to accomplish your goals and outcomes. (max. 200 words)

Evaluation Plan (15 points)

Describe the end result you expect from your planned project or service. Include the assessment methods you will use to measure the success and/or impact and who will do the assessment. Discuss a plan to disseminate/share your project results with your department, division, and/or the University of Nevada, Reno community. (max. 150 words)

Budget Summary (5 points)

Please attach a summary budget for which funding is being requested. Please submit budgets similar to these samples available on the Research & Innovation website.

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