

Faculty Funding to Support Collaborative Online Virtual Exchange (CoVE)

The University of New Mexico (UNM) is committed to encouraging and supporting the development and implementation of Collaborative Virtual Exchange (CoVE) as a format for experiential cross-cultural learning. CoVE, also referred to as virtual exchange or COIL, is a teaching and learning paradigm that promotes the development of intercultural competence across shared multicultural learning environments. Through the use of Internet-based tools and innovative online pedagogies, CoVE fosters meaningful exchanges between university-level teachers and students with peers in geographically distant locations and from different linguistic-cultural backgrounds.

The Global Education Office (GEO) is available to provide support for UNM faculty interested in CoVE initiatives through meetings, mentoring, problem-solving, and training. In addition, GEO has limited funding available for UNM faculty who successfully complete a CoVE course with an international partner institution or organization. Funds are issued as a one-time payment to the UNM faculty member upon completion of the course per the application guidelines below.

Upon completion of CoVE course:

- 1) Submit your request for funding (max. request of \$500) with a short description of the collaborative course you completed (where, when, how: 2-3 paragraphs). Include the name, title, department/school and contact information for both yourself and your international partner. Please send your request to Dr. Sue Wilder, Global Programs Manager within 3 months of completing the course: swilder@unm.edu.
- 2) Share your course syllabus, materials and relevant course outcomes (such as team projects, group videos, etc). This information will be added to our internal database of CoVE resources as potential training content for prospective CoVE faculty (with your prior permission).
- 3) Submit with your request a short report of lessons learned including your plans and recommendations for additional CoVE activities.

We will follow up to confirm receipt of your request and details regarding payment. Thank you for your support of international virtual exchange!

GEO Team