

Southwest Hispanic Research Institute

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Mission

Established in 1980, the Southwest Hispanic Research Institute (SHRI) promotes multidisciplinary research on the Latino/Hispanic populations of New Mexico and the United States. SHRI offers an intellectual home for its faculty associates and invites the Hispano and Mexicano communities of New Mexico to connect with the University. SHRI advocates and supports access and equity in hiring, promotion and retention of Latinx faculty; supports and co-sponsors research and events, including conferences, open lectures and visiting scholars. The Institute supports faculty and student working paper series, sponsors and provides internships, graduate assistantships and research opportunities for UNM faculty associates and affiliated students.

CY 2018 Goals And Status

- I. Review and approve SHRI Strategic Plan - 3 sections of plan approved
- II. Support and promote faculty research - funding provided to faculty for research dissemination
- III. Increase number of grant applications and awards – Director secured an National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) grant and a Mellon grant.

Membership of Advisory Committee

The Advisory Committee, constituted in 2018, is serving as an ad hoc advisory board and is engaged in reviewing the strategic plan adoption, assessing unit viability, and making recommendations related to the Institute's mission, goals, director and member roles, and future research priorities. The members include Magdalena Avila, Gabriel Melendez, Margaret Montoya, LM Garcia y Griego, Leila Flores-Duenas, Robert Valdez, Moises Gonzalez, Laura Belmonte, Michael Trujillo, Barbara Reyes, Jacob Vigil

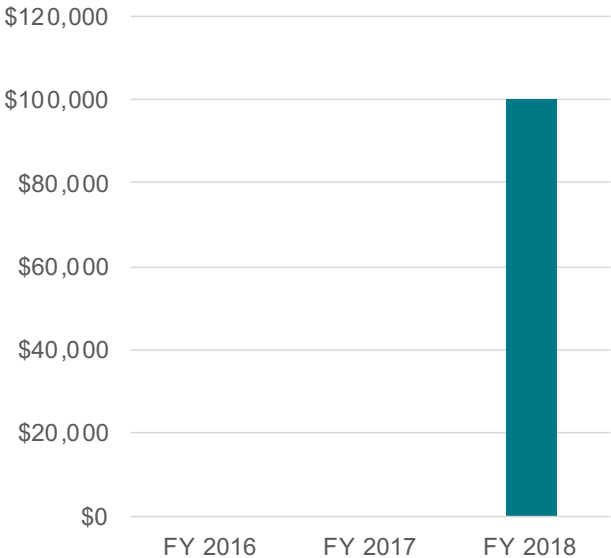
- Annual Review scheduled for April 2019

CY 2018 Highlights

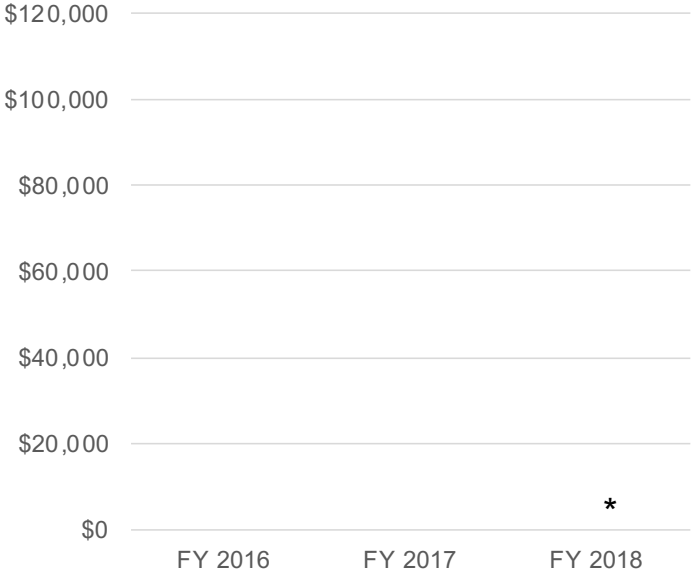
- Director Irene Vásquez hired on August 1, 2019
- Select national notable accomplishments of SHRI research faculty include Nancy Lopez elected Vice President of Sociologists for Women in Society, Levi Romero receives NEH Humanities grant and Irene Vasquez named as PI of Mellon grant
- Select media features - Michelle Kells consulted on National Public radio feature and documentary released about Margaret Montoya by Patricia Covarrubias.
- Co-sponsored 2018 Critical Race and Ethnic Studies conference
- SHRI recruited 5 new SHRI Research Faculty from Departments, Schools and Colleges across UNM

Proposals & Awards

Proposals



Awards

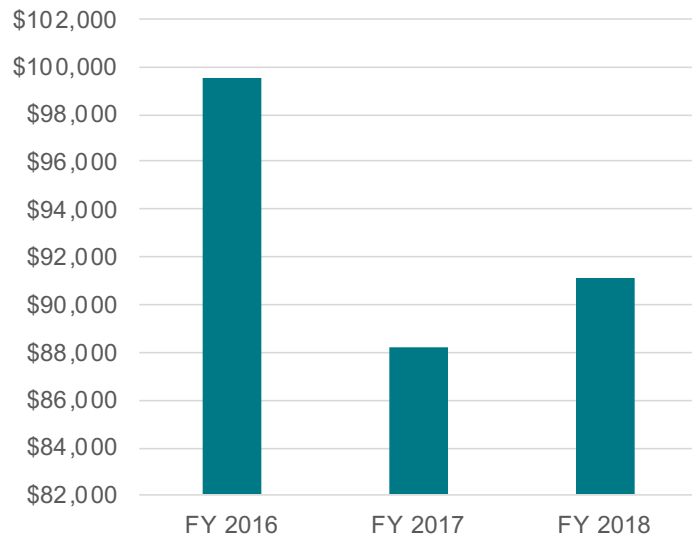


* NEH grant awarded in 2019

Research Expenditures and F&A

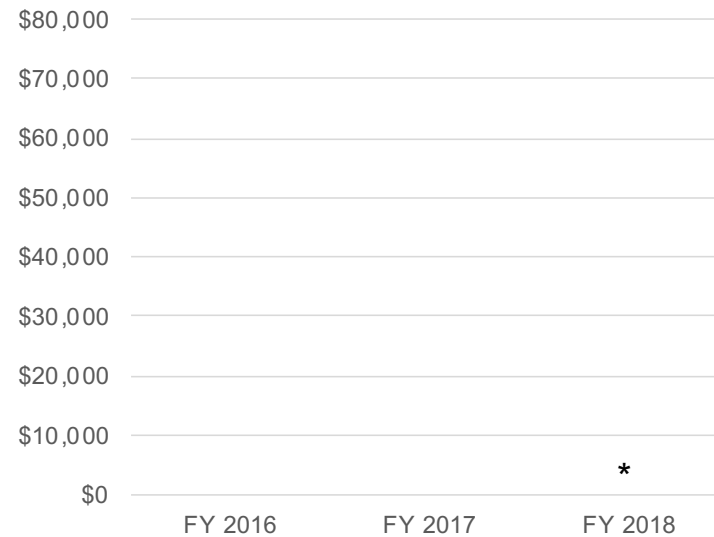
Expenditures

Total Research Expenditures for your Organization



F&A

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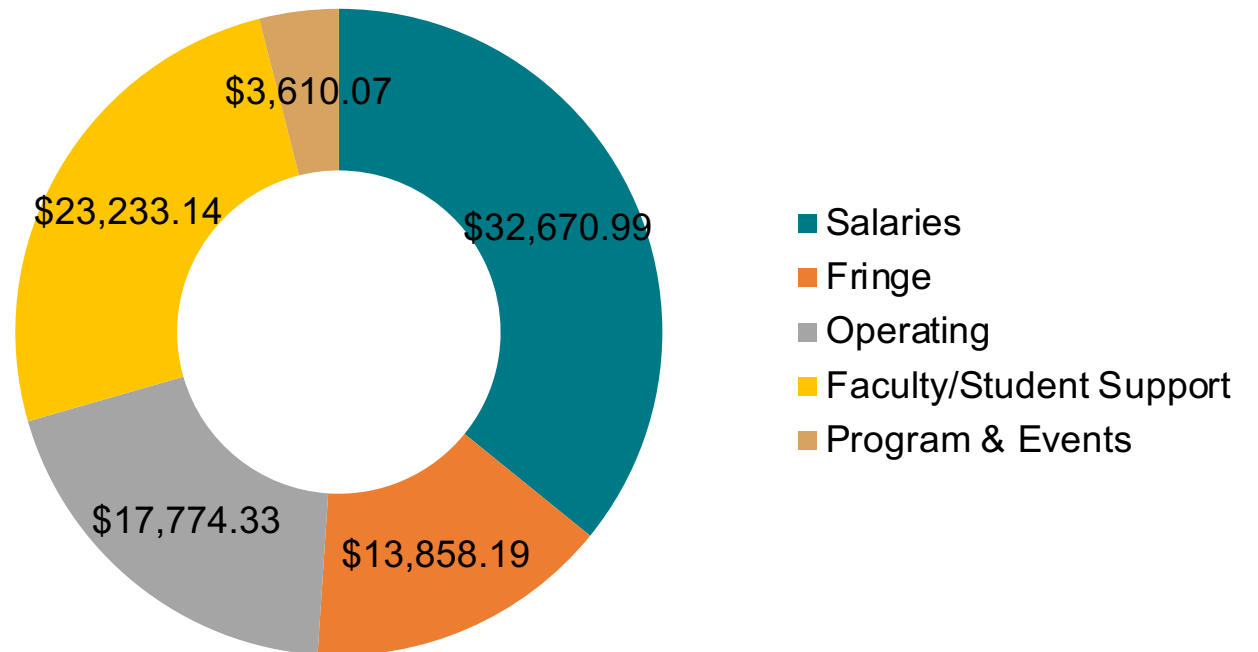
* F&A from NEH grant in 2019

FY 2019 Sources of Revenue

- F/A : \$0
- Allocation : \$100,000
- Other sources of revenue : \$0

Total = \$100,000

Center Expenditure Details



Research Center Impacts

- Resources provided for the campus faculty and programs
- Contributions to education & intellectual environment through courses, seminars and activities
- Grant funding secured through federal agencies

Return On Investment

Examples:

- Number of faculty served - 50
- Number of undergraduate and graduate students served – 100
- Number of community members served - 200
- Total number of awards = 1

SHRI has over fifty Research Faculty from the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Education, Architecture and Planning, Medicine/Health Sciences, Fine Arts, Law, and the Anderson School of Management. The Institute engages closely with the new MA and PhD program in Chicana and Chicano Studies Department on collaborative academic initiatives that promote Latinx research and the bridging of UNM and the States' Latinx communities.

STRENGTHS

SHRI is largely supported by OVPR funds. Although associated faculty generate significant sponsored research, due to the incentive structure of F&A distribution among OVPR, Colleges and Departments, SHRI does not benefit from the administration of their associates' grants as faculty are typically required to administer their funding through their home units. SHRI administrative support staff is .50, which limits the level of its productivity.

WEAKNESSES

With the upcoming implementation of the SHRI Strategic Plan, SHRI Research Faculty will be positioned to stimulate and co-facilitate sponsored research activities and serve as a supportive unit for the Latinx community on and off campus. In addition, legislators have demonstrated an interest in supporting SHRI as a university RPSP during the 2020 legislative session.

OPPORTUNITIES

In order to become self-sustaining, SHRI must continue to foster collaborative inter-disciplinary projects, seek state and federal funding and submit grant proposals, and have the capacity to administer substantive external grants in order to incentivize faculty to have their grants run through the Institute, and thus, become self-sustaining.

THREATS

Looking Ahead To 2019

Aspirations or opportunities for the institute.

- Co-sponsor and/or secure new federal and state opportunities
- Implement new working relationship with City of Albuquerque
- Establish two research clusters (1 in Humanities and 1 in Social Behavioral Sciences or Public Policy)
- Co-sponsor two field schools (1 in New Mexico, 1 in Mexico)
- Secure additional space for Research faculty and students
- Co-sponsor one national conference
- Establish *Chamiza* journal

Summary

SHRI is positioned to move forward to increase the fiscal and structural contributions to UNM's research mission. With the completion and adoption of the Strategic Plan, SHRI can enhance its prominence and visibility on the UNM campus, build its national recognition for quality of research, service, and faculty/student development and increase the influence of Latina/o faculty in the development of public discourse that affect Latinx populations on local, regional, and national levels.