

### **Bureau/EES Faculty Fellowship (Final: 2/25/09)**

In the interest of broadening its range of faculty interactions and generating high-impact joint research, the New Mexico Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources wishes to award annual ¼-time faculty support to a member of the EES faculty for up to two academic years to pursue promising EES/Bureau collaborations. All EES faculty are eligible for this support. Preference may be given to untenured EES faculty members to enhance opportunities to develop research programs. 2-year proposals will typically receive preference.

Faculty should apply for the Bureau/EES Fellowship by March 15 of eligible years by submitting a 1-2 page proposal (written in collaboration with a Bureau cosponsor) that outlines a project of basic or applied research based in, and/or relevant to, New Mexico.

Proposals will be reviewed jointly by the Bureau Director and the EES Department chair (or their designees). Teaching relief for the faculty member of up to 1 class/year is allowable, but must be arranged within curricular (H or G3 group) constraints and must have EES Chair approval.

*Background. This is a modification of prior Bureau/EES Faculty support policy. Peter Scholle (Bureau Director) and Rick Aster (EES Chair) met with Vice President for Academic Affairs Peter Gerity on 15 February to get Academic Affairs approval. Vice President Gerity agreed at this time to support this arrangement and encouraged the Bureau and EES to proceed with a policy, The Fellowship will be revenue-neutral for Academic Affairs and the Bureau overall.*