Purpose
Regents Professorships recognize faculty who have made outstanding contributions to the mission of New Mexico State University as a Hispanic-Serving Land Grant institution. The Regents Professorships are a lifetime honor conferred on distinguished faculty who demonstrate excellence in multiple professional areas.

Rationale
NMSU has exceptional faculty who elect to spend their careers at this institution. The university and community are fortunate to have these distinguished academics on the NMSU faculty. The Regents Professorship is conferred with profound appreciation for their contributions.

Role of Regents Professors
Regents Professors constitute distinguished academics whose leadership, critical thinking, and advice help guide all faculty in the university. They serve as role models and mentors for all associated with the university and its branch campuses.

Regents Professors may be asked to help NMSU to address important university needs, such as improving academic quality, outstanding teaching, research, service, and other issues of concern to the university. They also may be asked to serve on future review committees for this award and other appropriate university-wide committees or advising groups.

Qualifications
Regents Professors are faculty who have served the NMSU system at the rank of tenured full professor and have provided evidence of excellence in multiple areas of faculty performance.

Application
Interested faculty should complete the Regents Professor application. The application consists of three parts: a) documentation of accomplishments in at least four of the five areas listed on the application, in the format of a narrative (5 page limit), b) an updated curriculum vitae, and c) supporting evidence (10 page limit).

Applications are submitted to the Office of the Provost via email (provost@nmsu.edu), see application for more details.

A committee, under the direction of the Provost, will review and evaluate the nominees. The committee, through the Provost, will recommend candidates to the President; the President, in turn, will review and make the final determination.

Other
Regents Professors will receive an annual stipend of $12,500 for the duration of their tenure at NMSU that is separate from their base salary.

Formal announcement of the Regents Professorships is usually in January as part of Spring Convocation. The number of Regents Professorships is limited by the available funding from the Regents Professorship endowment.