

**Policy Development and Review Process Guiding Principles**

All new University Administrative Policies and Procedures policy drafts and revisions must comply with the University of New Mexico’s [Administrative Policies and Procedures Manual – Policy 1100: Development and Approval of Administrative Policies](https://policy.unm.edu/university-policies/1000/1100.html). The policy process is designed to support the University’s culture of accountability, transparency, effectiveness, and shared governance, and is governed by the following guiding principles:

1. University policies should align with and strengthen the University’s mission, vision, and values
2. The University policy governance model creates clear ownership and accountability in the policy development and implementation process
3. The policy governance model supports the University’s commitment to transparency through a collaborative development and review process
4. Policies, procedures, and related resources are in a consistent and accessible format and written as clearly as possible using plain language and with the intended audience in mind to facilitate ease of understanding
5. Policies are maintained in a user-friendly, organized, central repository to increase awareness and mitigate risk
6. Policies, procedures, and related resources are kept current and compliant with relevant laws, rules, and other requirements