Who We Are

The UNM Community Engagement Center (CEC) was formed in 1997 by faculty, staff, students and community members who wanted to better utilize university and community assets to meet community identified needs through education, community engagement and leadership development. The CEC serves as a university-based intermediary with communities to achieve community driven results.

Mission

Nurture antiracist leadership development for community capacity building for a just world.

Vision

Nurture the next generation of diverse, civically minded youth from local neighborhoods to build greater capacity in NM.

Impact on Students

The CEC apprenticeship programs impact the leadership development of students where they have long-term mentors within UNM and the greater community. This in turn impacts their retention and graduation at the university and contributes to the cost of their schooling. Parallel to this impact the students are receiving non-profit workforce development that connects them to meaningful careers after college.
## Programs, Services, Sub-units and Initiatives

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<td>The UNM Service Corps (UNMSC) is a collective of 40 UNM and CNM students who participate in apprenticeship experiences with community based organizations (CBO). The UNMSC and CBO collaborate on projects that build that capacity of the organizations to be more effective impacting educational justice, community health, economic justice, tribal communities, immigration justice.</td>
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<td>Institutional Change Initiatives are central to our impact and are spaces where we partner with faculty, staff, students across UNM main and north campus to shift our institution to be more accountable to the communities of NM. We also partner with organizations and communities across NM to achieve the same end. Some of these initiatives include; the NACA Inspired Schools Network; the Institute for the UNM Institute for the Study of Race and Social Justice, The UNM Collaborative for Latino Health Equity, The UNM Diversity Council, The UNM Health Equity Inclusion and Vibrancy network, The NM Antiracist Youth Leadership Institute and Families United for Education. These initiatives collectively aim to improve the education systems in New Mexico.</td>
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<td>Public Allies New Mexico partners with non-profit and government based organizations (CBO’s) to host 25 apprenticeship experiences for young people in New Mexico. The apprenticeship is full-time where youth are offered a monthly stipend and educational award at the end of the experience. In 2018-2019 the program leveraged over $150,000 of scholarship monies for young people who were not otherwise economically supported to pursue higher education. Additional impact is on NM communities where service is provided for clients of 25 non-profits in NM.</td>
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<td>FoodCorps New Mexico is a state-wide initiatives that aims to create healthy school environments that contribute to the success of all students. 10 young people from New Mexico take lead from schools and community based organizations on how they can best be of service in providing hands on learning, healthy school meals, and a school wide culture of health. In 2018-2019 $60,000 in scholarship monies were leveraged for NM youth, who served countless numbers of students across 5 NM school districts.</td>
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Fiscal Update, Revenues

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Goals for 2019-20

1. Strategically partner with the UNM HSC-Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion to host Public Ally Apprenticeships across the state whose major role is to coach/mentor high school students living in rural NM counties who are pursuing health sciences majors and careers.

2. Strategically partner with department across campus including the UNM-HSC Health Extension Officers, the UNM Refugee Well-Being Project, to host part time and full time apprentices giving more students and young people opportunities to experience community based education that parallels their higher education pursuits.

3. Co-chair the UNM Complete Count Committee and outreach for the US 2020 census with the goal of getting more people counted in NM in particular those communities who are historically not represented.

4. Collaborate with community partners including the NACA Inspired Schools Network (NISN) to conduct community based research and action planning for a new community based school in the international district.

5. Expand the work of UNM Service Corps-ACA team to include 20 more apprentices who are trained PE/MOSA determiners who will help create access to Medicaid for at least 200 people by June 2020.

6. Facilitate the 3rd Annual AYLI–Institute for antiracist leadership and expand to include young student parent populations; Continue to conduct Undoing racism workshops for campus and community partners.

7. Publish the UNM Service Corps Impact Study in June 2020

8. Collaborate to host the Nationwide 2020 National Farm to Cafeteria Conference

9. Pursue partnerships and active engagement in initiatives that focus on the result of Institutional change for equity. This includes actively partnering on civic engagement initiatives across the state.
Benefit Cost Ratio for CEC shows that for every $1 we receive there is $3.51 in benefits
Over 1.9 million in scholarships for almost 1000 students
Career exploration as a part of leadership program
86% people of color from New Mexico
44% graduation rate
Most low income first generation students

Quick Facts

- In 2018-2019 our members over 70,000 hours helping non-profit organizations be more effective
- Our program participants and alumni range across disciplines and career sectors
- Over $300,000 for education awards and were given to youth from New Mexico communities
- Alumni report that the UNMSC program was essential in their ability to succeed at UNM

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