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Holland Resigning from Women's Resource Center



Jessica Holland is stepping down as the director for The University of New Mexico Women's Resource Center at the end of this month—a place she called home for the last five years.

Holland says she was proud to be a part of a program which began 50 years ago when students, faculty, and staff organized to create a feminist activist space which has remained a safe haven and source of inspiration for so many ever since. "My favorite part of the job was getting to call the WRC my home and support student leadership," she says.

Holland's journey to UNM came via her work with the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program (SANE) where she served as the program's representative on the Sexual Misconduct and Assault Response Team at UNM. After meeting with Caitlin Henke, the WRC Interim Director at the time, Holland decided to apply for

the director's position. "When I first met Jessica I noticed how vivacious and inspired she was, I thought to myself, she is just what the WRC needs," Henke says. "Jessica has brought so much creativity, compassion and growth to the WRC she deserves a lot of credit."

Throughout her tenure, Holland says the most exciting change to the WRC was the growth of its counseling intern program. "Our students saw the increasing need for mental health support on campus and together we secured funding," she says. "Our program now provides over 500 hours of free counseling a semester and is continuing to grow."

Holland leaves The University of New Mexico and heads into the private sector to work in health care and social services. She hopes that her time at UNM is remembered for the way the WRC rose up when women's voices were continuing to be suppressed. "Our students and community did the opposite-- they trusted our ability to advocate for change and believed in our students' vision to create powerful responses to our community's needs," she says.

McCarthy Named WRC Interim Director



Áine McCarthy, will be stepping into the Women's Resource Center Director role on an interim basis on March 1. McCarthy has most recently served as a Campus Advocate for the WRC. Prior to working at The University of New Mexico, McCarthy worked at Upaya Institute and Zen Center in Santa Fe where she studied Buddhist chaplaincy with a focus on working with womexn in prison.

Thanks for your Kindness

A huge heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated in this year's BeKind UNM week! We appreciate your time, donations, promoting, and willingness to help in any way necessary to make this week's events a success! Our grand prize pack winner are (left col) Marilyn Sanchez, Kathy Batt; (right col) Maria Charro, Erika Ruiz and Alton Chen.

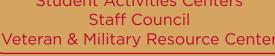


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Marina Seheon is a Daniels Fund Scholar. studying Computer Science and Biology. She is currently studying abroad in Egypt, and loving the adventure and experience! Marina stays involved on campus by being in multiple clubs, music, and sports; and stays involved in her community off campus by volunteering at hospitals, clinics, and pharmacies. In her free time, she spends her time at the gym, hanging out with friends and family, and watching her favorite show.

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2022 TRIO Celebration Day

Join The University of New Mexico TRIO programs as they partner with TRIO programs from throughout New Mexico for the annual TRIO Day Celebration. This year's theme is Querencias that Empower Us through our Identities, Values, and Upbringing. The celebration is in conjunction with National TRIO Day. Feb. 26 recognizing the achievements of the

Federal TRIO program



nationwide. The day gives us pause to reflect on the importance of educational opportunity programs that aim at creating a fairer society for all Americans by providing equal access to higher education. It also honors the positive impacts of the U.S. Dept. of Education Federal TRIO Programs trhoughout our communities. UNM Main Campus TRIO programs include <u>Upward Bound</u>; <u>Educational Opportunity Center</u>; Ronald E. McNair Program, and Student Support Services.

