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Message from the Vice President



Dear Student Affairs Colleagues,

This week we marked Indigenous Peoples' Day, and I am reminded of the ongoing contributions of the first people of New Mexico including the Pueblo, Navajo, and Apache. I am thankful for our team in American Indian Student Services who support students and culture here at UNM as well as the partners I have been connected with throughout my professional journey. Right now I'm attending the 2022 NASPA Institute for New Vice Presidents for Student Affairs. This is a foundational faculty-led learning and networking experience that enhances new VPSA's ability to be strategic decision-makers, highly effective managers, and transformational leaders. I'm

enthusiastic to learn from and network with my peers and bring that knowledge back to my role at UNM as we continue on our journey together. As we move through Careers in Student Affairs month, I would like to encourage you to consider how you are engaging with the student affairs profession and whether there might be developmental or educational opportunities you would like to take advantage of to strengthen your current work and prepare for future roles.

Last week, I participated in the UofNM social media takeover and had a wonderful time featuring our departments, programs, students, and the important work of our division in a fun and visible way. Thank you to everyone who participated! After last week's Fall Frenzy, the campus is looking revitalized and ready for homecoming week which runs Oct. 17-22. Although I couldn't make it to Red Rally last night, I've heard so many fun stories about this longstanding friendly rivalry between our peers at NMSU. I hope you're able to rest, reset and enjoy your fall break this week! See you at homecoming! With appreciation,

Ellis Hired as Inaugural Director of Development for Student Affairs



The UNM Foundation and the Division of Student Affairs are excited to announce the hiring of the inaugural Director of Development for the Division of Student Affairs, Lisa Ellis. Lisa is a fundraising professional with 14 years experience working in Development in a higher education setting and has twenty-one years overall experience working in a leadership capacity for non-profit organizations. Most recently, over the past three years, Lisa served as the director of development for Project ECHO where she helped raised money for global health and education programs. Prior to that she helped lead Ripon College's development program as the Associate Vice President of Advancement. Focus areas include campaign

planning and management, major gift strategy, donor acquisition and retention, analytics and moves management. <u>Read more...</u>

Happy Homecoming Lobos!

UNM HOMECOMING The Pack is back for Homecoming and this year's theme will Ignite Your Lobo Spirit! I'm



looking forward to an exciting <u>week of events</u> including Wellness Week where there are walks planned around Johnson Field and a chance for UNM to use the newly remodeled Johnson Center at no charge; and the Daily Lobo will be hosting their alumni chapter happy hour which sounds like a great time. The all-sports pep rally is at

the SUB on Friday, Oct. 21 at noon; and the week caps off with the Homecoming game against Fresno State on Saturday! Happy Homecoming Lobos!

UNM Gives Campaign



The <u>2022 UNM Gives United Way campaign</u> is in full swing until Nov. 30 and includes <u>#GivingTuesday</u>, a global movement of generosity designed to unleash the power of people and organizations to transform their communities and the world. Donating is easy and many of our division's programs and services can be selected on the unmfund.org page. When you give using UWCNM, 100% of your gift goes where you choose. Please consider giving to United Way. Every contribution counts, every gift makes a difference! <u>Read more...</u>

UNM Hosts National Transfer Student Week



The University is pleased to join The National Institute for the Study of Transfer Students (NISTS) in their celebration of National Transfer Student Week, Oct. 17-21. This year's celebration centers around the "Plug into Transfer!" theme designed to help students and colleagues get 'plugged in' to transfer resources and supports. The week is filled with several events on various branch campuses. <u>Read more...</u>



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