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# Message from the Vice President



Dear Student Affairs Colleagues,

Happy November! Yesterday I celebrated my 3 month anniversary with UNM and I must say it has been an action-packed semester so far. I am grateful to be part of the pack. I started last weekend with El Centro de la Raza honoring Dia de los Muertos during their celebration and was able to sit with some of our student leaders during Student Fee Review Board deliberations on Saturday. I was so impressed with this group of students and the thoughtful consideration they gave to each decision made. On Halloween, the Vice President's office turned into a fine dining establishment with

some celebrity guests joining us for a glass of fine grape juice, while other festive activities took place in the SUB and American Indian Student Services to name a few.

This week is a time to reflect on our sense of place as we kick off American Indian Heritage Month and I encourage everyone to not only remind ourselves of the <u>university's land acknowledgement</u>, but to also seek opportunities to authentically learn and grow in our orientation towards Indigenous communities. Upcoming events are too many to name, however I would like to highlight below the work of UNM's African American Student Services in building an outstanding slate of professional development as they host the Association for Black Cultural Centers national conference. I am always excited to see the ways in which our student affairs team engages professionally and look forward to offering a welcome at the Friday morning keynote.

With appreciation,

Eric

**UNM Hosts ABCC Conference** 



This Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 3-5, The University of New Mexico is hosting the Annual Association for Black Culture Centers (ABCC) national conference. The conference will welcome more than 30 institutions to the UNM campus. ABCC is committed to professional development, offering conference workshops and book recommendations to help attendees better understand history and culture. Brandi Stone, director of African American Student Services, says that having the conference at UNM this year makes it the "farthest West" location in the

conference's 33 years. Attendees will connect with innovative culture center professionals in dialogue surrounding career development, identity expression, academic strategies and more. Check out the story in the UNM Newsroom for more information.

### American Indian Heritage Month



We hope you will join American Indian Student Services, Native American Studies, Center for Native American Health, and several chartered student organizations in recognition of American Indian Heritage Month. Throughout November they aim to engage the university community in learning and discovering more about the Indigenous experience and perspective. The entire campus community is invited to attend and participate in a variety of public and cost-free educational, social, cultural, and

artistic programming initiatives throughout the month.

## **NASPA Virtual First Gen Celebration**



Please join us virtually as we celebrate with NASPA during their National First Gen Celebration Event today from 4 to 5 p.m. We also hope that you will save the date for our First Gen shirt giveaway on November 8th! Additional information will be posted to the UNM first gen website: firstgen.unm.edu with a link to sign up for your shirt soon! Are you a first generation college student? Well you're not alone! Did you know that nearly half of the student body



at The University of New Mexico are "first-generation" students? The University of New Mexico - Main and Branch Campuses join many college campuses across the nation in celebrating the 55th anniversary of the Higher Education Act where the term firstgeneration was first coined which has helped countless low-middle income students come the first in their families to earn college degrees. Why not show your "first gen pride" on Tuesday, November 8 by sporting your first gen proud t-shirt (request a free one here if you don't already have one). Throughout the day you can share your higher education experiences with others, words of encouragement, and be a first point of pride. By creating awareness, sharing stories, and highlighting resources, you'll help create a culture that encourages students to ask for help and remind them that there are thousands of Lobos just like them! Be sure to check out Student

Affairs social media channels where we'll be highlighting members of our UNM community under the #unmiamfirst campaign.

#### Vote for ASUNM Senators



Don't forget to cast your vote for who you want to see as your ASUNM Senators! Voting ends today at 5 p.m.



#### Lobos Got Talent Applications

Got Talent? Why not audition for the 15th Annual Lobo's Got Talent (LGT) Show? LGT showcases the best UNM has to offer from our talented students in singing, dancing, spoken word, comedy, bands and more! Check out the rules and fill out an <u>application here</u>. Only the first 32 applicants are guaranteed an audition spot, so apply soon!



### Virtual Career Fair and Workshops

Career Service's is hosting a Virtual All Major All Industry Career Fair on Thursday, Nov 3, 2022 from 11-2pm. The career fair is on Handshake, unm.joinhandshake.com. In addition, we have the Virtual Job and Internship Fair Success Workshop on Tuesday, Nov 1, 2022 from 12-1pm on unm.zoom.us/j/93827928187. We also will have Resume Day on Wednesday, November 2, 2022 from 10-2pm in Career Services. Students can come by during this time or email their resume to onlinecareerservices@unm.edu.

# **UNM Gives Campaign**



The 2022 UNM Gives United Way campaign is in full swing until Nov. 30 and includes #GivingTuesday, 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! Read more...

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