

Message from the VP



Dear Student Affairs Colleagues,

This Friday I am excited to join you at our second Student Affairs All Staff Gathering. Our program will feature an update on new divisional leadership positions and information about the upcoming UNM Big Give Day. I am also excited for the opportunity to catch up with many of you and hear about how your new year is going. The informal part of our gathering is just as important as the formal presentation as it is these conversations and connections that can lead to collaboration, synergy, and a sense of belonging in our division. For that reason, please consider joining us for the colleague catch-up and human bingo as well as the division update. Also consider stopping by the Career Expo tomorrow in the SUB as it is among the largest UNM has ever hosted and features many local and national employers ready to hire! Their attendance and enthusiasm to hire Lobos is a reflection of the work you invest in student support and the student experience. Many groups are planning delegations to Santa Fe over the coming weeks to advocate for various programs and priorities. I'll encourage everyone to review the [UNM Legislative Priorities and guidance](#). I am certain our students, faculty, and staff will continue to represent UNM well. In fact, my featured picture today is American Indian Student Services students and staff who tabled and presented at UNM Day. Thank you all for your outstanding work and see you around campus.

With appreciation,
Eric

2023 Spring All Staff Gathering



All Division of Student Affairs staff are invited to the Spring 2023 All Staff Gathering on Friday, Feb. 10 from 9 a.m. to noon in the SUB. The gathering is a great opportunity for our 350+ employees to get together to visit, reconnect with each other, and learn about division updates and current initiatives. This is the second All Staff Gathering with the plan to have two every year: one in the spring and one in the fall.

Career Expo Returns to the SUB with Largest Number of Employers to Date



UNM Career Services is holding its annual Career Expo—traditionally their largest event of the year—and this year, the event is bringing in a record number of employers ready to hire Lobos for jobs and internships.

The [Career Expo](#) is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the UNM Student Union Ballrooms. This year marks the return of the in-person format which was paused during the pandemic. As of today, the fair is at the maximum capacity with 125 employers signed up.

“We haven’t held this event in person since 2020,” says Dr. Jenna Crabb, UNM Career Services director. “This is the largest number of employers we’ve had since 2008 when we had 122, and we currently are full and have a waiting list of employers who want to participate.” Students can [preview which employers are going to there](#) and [RSVP for the event here](#). [Read more...](#)

BeKind UNM Kindness Week



It’s almost time for the kindest week of the year! The 2023 BeKind UNM Week is happening February 13-17 and will be fun for everyone! The week begins and ends with two Teddy Bear Tosses at the Lobo basketball games and features a FREE Kindness Carnival right in the middle. Lobo fans are encouraged to bring a NEW stuffed animal to either or both of the basketball games on [Tuesday, Feb. 14 when the men’s team takes on the Wyoming Cowboys at 8 p.m.](#) at The Pit, and on [Thursday, Feb. 16 when the women’s team takes on the Wyoming Cowboys at 7 p.m.](#) at The Pit. Fans bringing a NEW stuffed animal to donate will participate in a half time toss for a chance to win one of our great grand prize packs! All donated stuffed animals will be given to APD and AFR to give to children who are experiencing traumatic situations. Everyone is welcome at the [BeKind UNM Kindness Carnival on Wednesday, Feb. 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.](#) in the SUB Atrium. Carnival goers will be treated to games,

music, a photo booth, giveaways, kindness goodies, and the chance to pet some pooches. During the carnival, stop by any of the [food venues in the SUB](#) and make a donation to the [Lobo Food Pantry](#). You’ll also have the opportunity to purchase a bear to stuff and either donate or keep. All proceeds from bear sales will benefit the [Lobo Food Pantry](#).

Save the date for The Big Give Day



UNM Big Give is February 28! The UNM Foundation will hold this inaugural giving campaign to support The University of New Mexico. UNM Big Give is a comprehensive fundraising collaboration partnership with campus units, organizations, departments and branch campuses. UNM Big Give combines The University of New Mexico Foundation Giving Tuesday, Athletics' Lobos Give Day and UNMF Faculty and Staff campaign into one campaign.

During the 1,889 minutes of UNM Big Give, UNM alumni and friends from across the globe will support a variety of academic, healthcare, athletic, cultural, and student programs that make up The University of New Mexico's diverse community. This event provides opportunities to support Lobo Athletics, Academic Programs and Schools, Student Life, UNM Health System, and Community Programs. Departmental unique giving pages are being designed and

you will be receiving a social media tool kit soon so you can promote the fund associated with your department. Stay tuned for more information. #UNMBigGive.

UCAM Safety Series



University Communication and Marketing has launched a new series titled, [Campus Safety: Lobos Come First](#). The series will run weekly over the course of the next two months. The goal of the series is to educate the UNM community regarding current and ongoing campus safety initiatives, crime-related issues and concerns, and ways to protect yourself and your property as well as the utilization of various campus resources in an effort to enhance campus safety for one and all. One note to keep in mind as the series progresses - "If you see something,

say something!" [Read more...](#)

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