

Message from the VP



Dear Student Affairs Colleagues,

What an incredible week! My thanks to everyone who helped facilitate and volunteer for Welcome Back Days and the many welcome events that have been held so far. Excitement and engagement is certainly in the air as has been reported across units within Student Affairs and beyond. Though we are already in week two, our kickoff for the year is only just underway. In addition to the SUB 20-year Rebuild Anniversary, this week also features Raza Junta today from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and the American Indian Student Services Welcome Back tomorrow from noon to 2 p.m., both events in the Mesa Vista Courtyard. You might also consider stopping by the Residence Life Olympiad Thursday night beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Johnson Field. I hope to see a strong turnout from Student Affairs supporting our students and peers at these and other events around campus.

This week I want to offer a very special congratulations to Emmanuel Mitchell who has been accepted to the [NASPA Undergraduate Fellows Program \(NUFP\)](#). Congratulations Emmanuel and his sponsor, Brandi Stone, director of African American Student Services. Your shared commitment to enhancing the field through this important mentorship is deeply appreciated. I hope that everyone enjoys the upcoming holiday weekend, it is certainly deserved after these busy weeks of transition and welcome.

With appreciation,
Eric

SUB 20-year Rebuild Anniversary



Join the Student Union Building (SUB) in a grand celebration marking the 20th anniversary of the SUB’s rebuild. Hopefully you were able to stop by the SUB yesterday for day one and that you make it a point to go today and tomorrow from noon to 2 p.m. The celebration continues with giveaways, food, and captivating events reminiscing on the past and embracing the vibrant future that lies ahead.

Emmanuel Mitchell Named NASPA NUFP



Emmanuel Mitchell, a second-year student majoring in New Mexico history, with a minor in American Studies, and a student employee for African American Student Services, has been selected to participate in the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA) Undergraduate Fellows Program (NUFP).

Students carrying a full-time enrollment who identify as being racial or ethnic minority, or individuals with a documented disability, are eligible to apply. Applicants choose a mentor—Mitchell chose Brandi Stone, director for African American Student Services—and the two apply for the program as a team.

Stone noted that Mitchell is the first NUFP mentee from AASS since 2017, and she feels grateful to have the opportunity to help shape Mitchell’s pre-professional experiences as a rising student affairs leader. “Being selected for this cohort means a lot to me,” Mitchell said. “The reason it means a lot to me starts with simply being recognized by the office [AASS] here at The University of New Mexico enough for them to ask me to apply and also back me into trying to get into the NUFP.” [Read more...](#)

El Centro de la Raza Raza Junta



Join El Centro de la Raza for music and food.

Wednesday, Aug. 30
11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Mesa Vista Courtyard

American Indian Student Services Welcome Back



Join American Indian Student Services for their Welcome Back for food, refreshments and the chance to meet UNM faculty and staff. This is a ticketed event. Stop by AISS, Mesa Vista Hall Room 1119 to pick up your tickets by Wednesday, Aug. 30, at 5 p.m.

Thursday, August 31
noon to 2 p.m.
Mesa Vista Courtyard

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