

Message from the VP



Dear Student Affairs Colleagues,

Welcome back and happy first week of classes. Yesterday as classes began here, the 56<sup>th</sup> Legislature began in Santa Fe. I had the honor and privilege of joining the opening of the session and hearing Governor Lujan Grisham offer the State of the State Address as a guest of Representative Natalie Figueroa. Thank you, Representative Figueroa. This was a wonderful opportunity to see our state’s governance in action and represent UNM Student Affairs to a broad audience of lawmakers and stakeholders. I look forward to returning to The Roundhouse in a few weeks for UNM Day at the Legislature. In the meantime, I will be reviewing [UNM’s FY24 Legislative Priorities](#) and I invite you to do the same as several Student Affairs projects and others that have a significant impact on the student experience have been highlighted there. On the topic of the state of things, a reminder that our next All Staff Gathering is set for February 10<sup>th</sup>. This gathering is open to all Student Affairs staff and will feature a discussion about new leadership positions in Student Affairs and a formal introduction of our new Director of Development for Student Affairs, Lisa Ellis, who will share information about UNM Big Give Day. I hope to see you around welcome back events this week in support of our students and community.

With Appreciation,  
Eric

Welcome Back Days

<p><b>WELCOME BACK DAYS</b> SPRING 2023</p>	
<p><b>WEDS, JAN 18</b></p> <p><b>Departmental &amp; Greek Life Information Booths</b></p> <p>Stop by to get some great information from campus departments and UNM fraternities &amp; sororities. Learn about their services, programs and the ways they can help make your UNM experience that much better!</p>	<p><b>WEDS, JAN 25</b></p> <p><b>Student Organization Information Booths</b></p> <p>UNM has over 350 Student Organizations! Groups will be on hand to provide information about opportunities to join. Improve your UNM experience, leadership skills, have fun and start building your resume! <b>GET INVOLVED!</b></p>
<p>EACH DAY RUNS 11:30a-1p in SUB Atrium FREE Pepsi products from 11:30a till gone!</p>	

The Student Activities Center is hosting Spring 2023 Welcome Back Days. The spring version of this event is hosted in the Student Union Building and will take place today which is UNM department and Greek organizations day; and Wednesday, Jan. 25, which is student organizations day from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Lobo Food Pantry Spring Hours



The Lobo Food Pantry is free to all currently enrolled UNM students. Students will have an opportunity to fill a basket with grocery offerings of their choice and must weigh the basket for final checkout. Students are required to sign a waiver for the semester and provide general identifying information (name, email, UNM ID number) when visiting the pantry in order to help us track the number of visits they use each month. The daily limit is either a full basket or 10.0 lbs., whichever the students meets first. [More information...](#)

### AISS Open House



You're invited to stop by American Indian Student Services for an open house this week. It's a great way to kick off the first week of the semester by joining AISS for tasty treats and giveaways.

### Recreational Services Spring Offerings



Did you know that the UNM Johnson Center offers a full size Olympic pool, a 25 yard 6 lane lap swim pool, and a therapy pool? These facilities support a range of activities including lane/lap swimming, aquatic fitness, and many other fun activities. Check out all they have to offer [here!](#)

### 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

Save the date

*You're invited!*  
— DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS —  
*Spring 2023*  
**All Staff Gathering**



—FRIDAY—  
**FEB. 10**  
—2023—  
9 a.m. - noon  
SUB Ballroom C

9-10am	Colleague catch-up & light refreshments
10-10:30am	Human BINGO
10:30-11am	Division update by Dr. Scott
11-11:10am	Development update by Lisa Ellis
11:10am-noon	Informal networking

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