

Message from the VP



Welcome Back Lobos!

The temperature is low but spirits are high as we embark on the spring 2025 semester. Last week, our Student Affairs leadership team convened for our mid-year retreat. During our day together we focused on our individual and team strengths, best practices on serving undocumented students, building stronger systems and culture for co-curricular assessment, and engaged in co-generative dialogue focused on expanding collaborative student success practices for an equitable and inclusive learning environment. We also heard an update on our strategic planning process, spending time considering how to best represent our collective work through a new mission and vision aligned with UNM 2040. I want to acknowledge the thoughtfulness and engagement from across the division that has taken us to this step in developing our new strategic plan. All staff are invited to the next all staff gathering on Friday, Feb. 28, for a comprehensive update on this and other initiatives including the progress of the new staff engagement and recognition committee.

This weekend, Student Affairs leaders will support the annual Black History Month Kickoff Brunch as we prepare for a strong slate of community engaged programs and

initiatives centering around the Black experience. I am grateful for our colleagues in African American Student Services as they show leadership and poise in what is a celebratory time that also requires hard work and intentionality to plan and implement. The effort is a shining example of the enduring commitment to student success and community engagement we see regularly across our division and institution, and I know there are so many who will contribute and support this month and beyond!

With appreciation,

Eric

Spring Welcome Back Days

The Student Activities Center is hosting this Spring's Welcome Back Days from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Student Union Building (SUB) Atrium today, centered around UNM departments and Greek organizations. A second Welcome Back Day will be next Wednesday, Jan. 29 highlighting the various 450+ student organizations on campus.

WELCOME BACK DAYS
Spring 2025

| WEDS, JAN 22 | WEDS, JAN 29 |
|---|---|
| Departmental & Greek Life Information Booths | Student Organization Information Booths |
| Stop by to get some great information from campus departments and UNM fraternities & sororities. Learn about their services, programs and the ways they can help make your UNM experience that much better! | 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! GET INVOLVED! |

EACH DAY RUNS 11:30a-1p in SUB Atrium!
FREE Pepsi products from 11:30a till gone!

NSM STUDENT UNION CENTER

New Student Orientation Accepting Applications for Manager of Orientation and Access Position

UNM THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

WE ARE HIRING

JOIN US IN ALBUQUERQUE, NM

MANAGER of ORIENTATION & ACCESS

Ideal position for a student affairs professional passionate about student success!

RESPONSIBILITIES

- ✓ Oversee the development, execution, and assessment of New Student Orientation programs.
- ✓ Create and oversee effective communication strategies for incoming students and their families.
- ✓ Lead collaborative efforts with academic colleges and student support units.

UNMJOBS.UNM.EDU "STAFF CAREERS" | REQ32204
SALARY RANGE (DOE) \$62,000 - \$73,000
BEST CONSIDERATION DATE: FEBRUARY 4th, 2025

APPLY NOW

The Division of Student Affairs is accepting applications for manager of orientation and access for the New Student Orientation Program. The position is best suited for a student affairs professional whose passion for student success, strong understanding of best practices in orientation and student transition, and ability to implement empirically-based programs to drive student enrollment, retention, and degree attainment is prominent. This position will have primary oversight of the planning, execution, and continuous improvement of orientation programs that serve over 7,000 new students annually, including First-Year, Transfer, Branch Transition, Returning, and Online students.

Those interested can view the complete description and apply via the [UNM Jobs posting Req 32204](#), with a best consideration date of Tuesday, Feb. 4.



Article from Mentoring Institute's Online Journal Awarded Best in Class

Kudos to Dr. Nora Dominguez and the Mentoring Institute for advancing scholarly work in the mentoring field! An article published in *The Chronicle of Mentoring and Coaching*, entitled "Mentoring Network Questionnaire Support Scales Reliable and Valid with University Faculty," has been selected by the AAMC Group on Faculty Affairs Research and Scholarship Committee as "Best in Class" for the category "Developing the Next Generation of Leaders."

Spring 2025 WRC Impact Mentorship Program



The poster features a central illustration of four women in teal shirts hugging, with a rainbow flag and sunflowers in the background. Text on the poster includes the title 'IMPACT Mentorship Program Spring 2025', the Women's Resource Center logo, a description of the program, a list of workshop topics, and a QR code for applications.

IMPACT Mentorship Program Spring 2025

WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER

IMPACT pairs first year students with more experienced students to build community, foster personal growth, and promote professional development.

Space for new mentees open!

Bimonthly workshops including:

- Stress/Time Management
- Community Service
- Resumes & Cover Letters
- Boundaries
- Cooking/Baking 101
- Budget Planning

Spring 2025 IMPACT Mentee Application

Email impactwrc@unm.edu with questions
Apply with the QR code or link in bio

The Women's Resource Center has space for new mentees in their IMPACT mentorship program for the spring semester. IMPACT is a program that pairs first-year students with more experienced students to build community, foster personal growth, and promote professional development.

The WRC also hosts bimonthly workshops including:

- Stress and Time Management
 - Community Service
 - Resumes and Cover Letters
 - Boundaries
 - Cooking and Baking
 - Budget Planning
-

BeKind UNM Celebration

Mark your calendars for this year's BeKind UNM celebration! We will be once again collecting donations for the Lobo Food Pantry, and stuffed animals for various local charities that help children in need.

This year's BeKind UNM Week is scheduled for Feb. 10-14. Wednesday, Feb. 12, features the Kindness Carnival from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the SUB Atrium, and the teddy bear toss at the UNM Men's Lobo basketball game at 8 p.m. at The Pit. The second teddy bear toss will be at the Women's Lobo basketball game on Saturday, Feb. 22 at 2 p.m. at The Pit.

All UNM departments and programs are welcome to host a table at the Kindness Carnival. Please use [this form](#) to save your spot.

Visit the [BeKind UNM page](#) for all the details!



Be Kind
2025
EVENTS

Feb 12

KindnessCarnival
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
SUB Atrium

Teddy BearToss
Men's Lobo Game vs Wyoming
8 p.m.
The Pit

Feb 22

Teddy BearToss
Women's Lobo Game vs Utah
2 p.m.
The Pit

   

Save the Date for the All Staff Gathering Set for Friday, Feb. 28



SAVE the DATE



Spring 2025 ALL STAFF GATHERING

Friday, Feb. 28 | 8-11 a.m. | SUB Ballroom C

Please RSVP by accepting the calendar invite from the VPSA account.

The Spring 2025 Division All Staff Gathering is set for Friday, Feb. 28, from 8 to 11 a.m. in the SUB, Ballroom C. All Student Affairs staff are invited to join Dr. Eric Scott to get updates on the important work happening in our division. Please look for a calendar invite in the new future which will serve as your rsvp for the event.



[Access the DSA-L Home Page and Archives](#)

[Unsubscribe from the DSA-L List](#)

