

## Message from the VP



Dr. Eric Scott, Pam Agoyo, and Dr. Jenna Crabb in a congratulatory photo with Florencio Olguin after he successfully defended his dissertation. Congratulations Dr. Olguin!

Dear Student Affairs Colleagues,

This week is National Student Employment Week, a time set aside to recognize students who in addition to their academic pursuits serve the institution in critical roles including lifeguards, resident advisors, orientation leaders, programmers, mentors, administrative and custodial staff, and more! Student employees are often the operational lifeblood of many programs and services across campus. [On-campus student employment](#) is an incredible benefit to both students and the university with postsecondary student success research broadly showing that (as compared to off-campus or non-employment) participants experience higher retention and persistence to graduation as well as student success as measured by GPA.

Students also benefit by developing transferable skills, knowledge of campus resources, time management skills, and experience that can reflect well on a resume. Many supervisors that rely on student employees often become mentors and guides for students and more formal programs such as [Lobo GROW®](#), which is coordinated by Student Affairs' own Charles Gwinn from Rec Services, utilize "structured reflection to encourage connections and transfer between workplace learning, classroom learning, and future goals." Under Charles' leadership this year, participants have experienced several engagement, connection, and growth opportunities on campus and in the community. Further, resources like [UNM Career Services](#) can help students make meaning of their student employment journey and chart next steps in their professional pursuits via internships or post-graduation employment. Please take this week to recognize the incredible student employees across our division and university, in particular those who will be graduating in May.

With appreciation,

Eric Scott

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## Nominate a Lobo for a Louie Award



Know a Lobo who goes above and beyond and deserves recognition?  
Nominate them for one of these Louie Awards:

- UNM Faculty Leader of the Pack
- UNM Staff Leader of the Pack
- Lobo Star Student Employee
- Student Affairs Cub
- Howling Best Employee
- Outstanding Pack

Nominations are currently being [accepted here](#) through Monday, April 22 at 5 p.m.  
Winners will be announced and celebrated at the annual Louie Awards Ceremony on Tuesday, June 4 at 3 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom C.

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## UNM to Honor Lobos at Student Memorial Ceremony



Join us as we remember our students who have passed away and honor their Lobo legacies.

**NM**  
Student  
Memorial Ceremony

**MONDAY**  
April 29, 2024  
UNM SUB Ballroom C  
6:30 p.m.

The University of New Mexico community will take time to remember and celebrate the lives of Lobos who passed away during the last year. A Student Memorial Ceremony will be held on Monday, April 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Union Building, Ballroom C.

“The ceremony will be a way for folks to gather and pay tribute to the lives of our students who have passed away this year,” said Nasha Torrez, J.D., UNM Dean of Students.

Family members and the Lobo community are invited to join Torrez, University administrators, and staff from the Division of Student Affairs as they honor the lives and legacies of these students.

This year, eleven students will be remembered, they are: Joshua Adogla, Tyler J. Ahrens, Sidney K. Alvarez, Christopher L.Coca, Jaydan Flores-Winters, Raphael Garcia, Henry Ho, Jade Lucero, Tyler P. McNamara, Debora Peters, and Wilson A. Ramirez Chabur.

“We can better process loss when in the presence of love and support from the folks who were positively impacted by the students’ lives,” said Torrez. “All are welcome to attend this special event to honor our students who have passed.”

The formal ceremony will include the calling of the names of the students as well as remarks from UNM administrators and a moment of silence.

For more information email the [LoboRESPECT Advocacy Center](#).

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## SAAM April 2024 Events

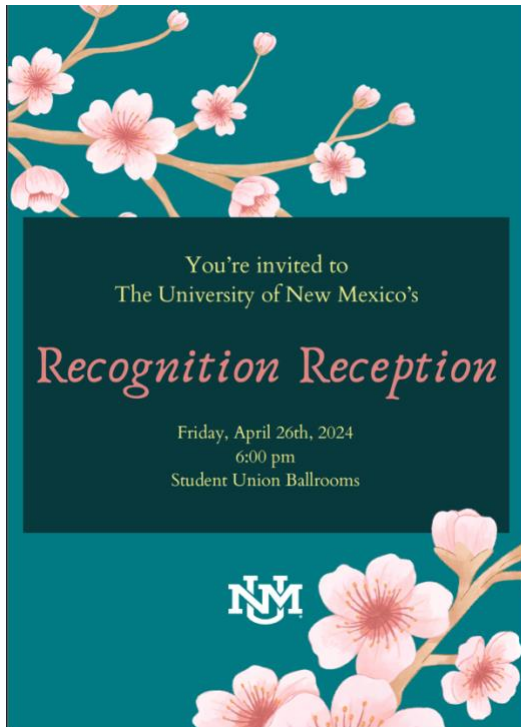


Every 68 seconds, an American over the age of 12 is sexually assaulted. Each April, The University of New Mexico’s LoboRESPECT Advocacy Center joins organizations around the country in prevention efforts and educational campaigns in honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

This year, the LoboRESPECT Advocacy Center will host four unique events aimed at generating awareness, creating conversations around consent, providing spaces for survivors and engaging students through entertainment. The theme for this year’s Sexual Assault Awareness Month, led by the [National Sexual Violence Resource Center](#), is Building Connected Communities and ensuring communities are safe from the forms of oppression that contribute to higher rates of sexual violence.

[Read article in UNM Newsroom](#)

## 2024 Recognition Reception



You are invited to The University of New Mexico's Recognition Reception on Friday, April 26 at 6 p.m. in the SUB Ballrooms. Join Student Activities staff in celebrating UNM's outstanding student leaders and award winners from 15 UNM departments. Keynote address by George L. Carter III, UNM Alumnus and Founder and CEO of Skout Strategy.

Check-in is from 5:30 to 6 p.m. and light refreshments and beverages will be served. Attire is business casual. Staff and/or community members can rsvp via <https://forms.office.com/r/fChfuUarDH> by Friday, April 19. Any person who would like to request disability accommodations for this event should contact the Student Activities Center at (505) 277-4706 or [sac@unm.edu](mailto:sac@unm.edu) seven days prior to the event. Contact Maya Perez via [mperez32@unm.edu](mailto:mperez32@unm.edu) with any questions.

## NASPA Seeking State of New Mexico Membership Coordinator



NASPA is seeking its next State Membership Coordinator for New Mexico. This position oversees our state's engagement and coordinates NASPA events, conferences, and other initiatives to involve student affairs staff and inform them about this excellent resource. Other responsibilities include working with the NASPA Regional IV-W Membership Coordinator to recruit and retain NASPA members at the state level utilizing one-on-one contacts and in accordance with the Membership Initiative; promote benefits of NASPA membership at state professional meetings that might include potential new NASPA members; develop processes to recruit and retain both individual and institutional members.

Applicants must be active NASPA Region IV-West members and can [log in here](#) for more information and to apply. The position is a 2-year commitment beginning on May 1, 2024 through April of 2026. Applicants may also reach out to Reynaldo Maestas, current membership coordinator [via email](#) with any questions.

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## Student Affairs Accepting Applications for Student Union Director



The Division of Student Affairs is looking for its next director of the Student Union. Current director, Cheryl Wallace, is retiring on June 30.

The SUB director, will report to the Executive Director of Student Resources and provide strategic leadership, vision, fiscal management, staffing and overall management to the Student Union Building. The position will oversee facility operations, and partner and collaborate with food service, vendors, campus partners and the external and internal constituencies to ensure all programs and services support the needs of our students and campus.

Minimum qualifications include a Bachelor's degree, at least 7 years of experience directly related to the duties and responsibilities specified. Completed degree(s) from an accredited institution that are above the minimum education requirement may be substituted for experience on a year for year basis.

Those interested can view the complete description and apply via the [UNM Jobs posting Req28897](#). The best consideration date is Monday, April 15.