As the Director of College Enrichment & Outreach Programs (CEOP), I welcome you to our first issue of the CEOP newsletter. We plan to issue it regularly to keep you all updated with developments in CEOP and the exciting achievements of staff and students. Our mission at College Enrichment & Outreach Programs is to ensure students equal access to education and foster excellence through a collaboration of support services. Our main goal is to promote P-20 student success through college awareness and readiness, academic support, career exploration, civic engagement, college life and leadership development. A majority of our programs are federally funded through the US Department of Education under TRIO and the Office of Migrant Education (OME). The TRIO & OME programs were created to address the social and cultural barriers to education in response to President Lyndon B. Johnson’s War on Poverty and were the first national college access and retention programs. Along with our federally funded programs, we also have state and institutional funded programs. I invite you to read through our newsletter as you will get to learn about all of our programs and the wonderful services they provide to ensure that we are promoting student success. I hope you enjoy reading about the many current and future activities of our programs. I would like to take a moment to recognize our incredible staff that makes essential contributions that enable the department’s success. They are truly outstanding. I hope that everyone has had a great start to the Fall semester.

Sincerely,

Andrew Gonzalez
Director
HEP: High School Equivalency Program

Target population: Migratory and/or seasonal farm-workers (or children of such workers) 16 years of age who do not have a high school diploma nor are currently enrolled in school.

HEP offers individuals the opportunity to earn a GED certificate through intensive GED Preparatory instruction, tutoring, and support services.

HEP is a flexible program that fits into the everyday schedules of participants.

Upon completion of the program, HEP provides assistance for placement into a post-secondary institution, career position, and/or military service.

Eligible participants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

EOC: Educational Opportunity Center

Target population: Adults as well as youth who are not being served by a Talent Search Program. Individuals must be either U.S. citizens, permanent residents, or eligible non-citizens and New Mexico residents of Bernalillo, Torrance, or Valencia Counties. EOC targets low-income and/or first-generation college students; veterans or active duty service members of the Armed Forces and their respective immediate family members.

EOC is an educational outreach program that offers educational services to potential students who want to enter or continue postsecondary education. Potential EOC students might be: High school seniors transitioning into college; individuals intere obtaining a GED diploma as the first step to prepare for college, or individuals, who either want to enroll for the first time, re-enroll or continue in college.

Services include: Referrals to GED programs, general academic advisement and guidance with the college application and transferring process; assistance with applications for financial aid and scholarships, and educational workshops.
CPP promotes P-20 student success and post-secondary education, from college awareness and readiness, through academics, career exploration, civic engagement, college-life and leadership development for 6-12 grade students from low-income and first-generation backgrounds.

College Readiness Program: The College Readiness Program consists of three components: a 3 day, 2 night summer session, Saturday seminars and weekly meetings throughout the participants’ senior year of high school. Students receive dual-credit for their participation in the program.

Summer College Prep Programs (SCPP): SCPP provides various residential sessions for middle and high school students to experience post-secondary education through academic courses, career exploration, civic engagement, and college life and leadership development.

There is no specific citizenship or residency status required to qualify for CPP.

UB: Upward Bound

Upward Bound provides social, cultural, emotional, and rigorous academic support to college bound high school students.

Tutoring Institute: Weekly tutoring at UNM main campus.

Saturday Academy: Students receive tutoring, college preparation workshops, and advisement.

Family Workshops: Parents, students, and staff explore a variety of college related topics.

Cultural Events: Students enjoy rich learning experiences and interactive excursions.

Summer School: Students receive APS core-subject credits or take dual-credit classes.

Eligible participants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents as well as potential first-generation college students and/or low-income.

Ronald E. McNair Post Baccalaureate Achievement Program

Target Population (McNair): Junior and Senior students at UNM who are members of an underrepresented group, first-generation, or low-income. Applicants must display a true commitment to pursue doctoral studies.

The McNair Scholars program is designed to prepare undergraduate students for doctoral studies through involvement in research and other scholarly activities.

Students participate in seminars, training sessions, and conduct research under the guidance of a faculty-mentor during one summer.

Eligible students must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

Participants are offered academic advisement, tutoring and mentoring, and they are given the chance to travel to various conferences and campuses to present their research.
Target Population: All UNM students- from incoming freshmen to seniors. Particular emphasis is given to students from backgrounds which are currently underrepresented at the university.

CEP provides leadership in the development, implementation and coordination of student support services and activities that assist students’ academic achievement and their personal, cultural, and social development. Services offered include: New Student Orientation, Transition Programs, Scholars Cohorts, Peer Mentoring and Scholarships.

CEP participants are assigned to an advisor who provides guidance and counseling support to students in all areas relevant to their persistence and eventual success on campus. This includes overall adjustment to college, transition to UNM, academic advising, career selection and financial aid advisement. These services are available to students throughout their entire time at the University.

There is no specific citizenship or residency status required to qualify for CEP.

Target Population: Incoming freshmen students from migrant and/or seasonal farm working backgrounds.

CAMP identifies and recruits students who may qualify for the CAMP scholarship and assists them with admissions and enrollment at the University of New Mexico.

CAMP provides comprehensive academic, social, and financial support during one academic year to enable participants to complete their first year of college and to help them develop the skills necessary to graduate from the university.

Eligible students must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

Target Population: Undergraduate students who are first generation to college, low-income and/or have a documented disability.

SSS ensures that students receive all of the information and support they need to be successful in their UNM endeavors.

Students in SSS receive individualized support through a holistic framework by addressing their educational and personal needs.

Services include: academic advising, tutoring, mentoring, career advisement, personal guidance, financial guidance, graduate school guidance, workshops and social/cultural events.

Eligible students must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
ROP: Research Opportunity Program (McNair)

Target Population (ROP): UNM students in their Sophomore, Junior or Senior year; members of an underrepresented group with interest in pursuing graduate or professional school.

Students participate in seminars, training sessions, and conduct research under the guidance of a faculty-mentor during one summer.

Students are offered academic advisement, tutoring and mentoring, and they are given the chance to travel to various conferences and campuses to present their research.

There is no specific citizenship requirement to qualify for ROP.

CEOP Welcomes New Program Manager

CEOP is happy to announce the hiring of the Senior Program Manager for all CEOP Programs. Kim Benally-Hood comes to the department from a youth serving non-profit organization where she served as the Chief Operations Officer. Kim is originally from Hogback, NM, attended UNM as an undergraduate, then went onto The Evergreen State College in Olympia, WA to earn a Master of Public Administration degree. Kim is extremely grateful for the opportunity to join the CEOP team and is excited to begin working with staff and students.

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