



Faculty Newsletter | November 2024

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DEAN OF INSTRUCTION REPORT

Dr. Laura Musselwhite

THE SEMESTER IS MOVING ALONG

and planning for spring semester is in full force. Registration has opened, and as of today (a tiny window of time, I know), we are up 38% over last time this year. Clearly, this will change, but I hope it is a harbinger of enrollment gains for next term. There are lots of fun events coming up for the end of fall. One of those is the Luminaria Stroll on December 4, which requires a ton of work in the days preceding it. I would especially ask faculty to participate when we fill bags with sand and candles, and then set them out around campus. Not only does it greatly aid in the event (absolutely instrumental, in fact), but it builds networks and collegiality. It is a wonderful opportunity to work alongside staff colleagues for a common purpose. Please be on the lookout for the announcements about how to participate.

The dedication of the tile mosaic project in the Fine Arts Courtyard is coming up on December 5. This has been a labor of love for Jan Pacifico and her students for several semesters now, as a part of the PASOS Equity, Care and Engagement Project. It is a beautiful sight, and I hope you can attend.

Lastly, we are having (for the first time in ten years) a holiday concert. There will be singing, a brass group, and readings. It is on Saturday evening, December 7. The choir will be made up of Harry Musselwhite's voice students and a few special guests (including me!). It is a fundraiser for our food pantry, so also a good cause to celebrate.

Thank you for all you do each semester!

Also remember these other upcoming events:

"Place & Space," Faculty and Staff Art Exhibition –

Fine Arts Galleries, November 11 through January 31

Reading New Mexico – Zoom, November 20 at 7:00pm

Hanging of the Wreath – Clocktower, December 4 at 11:00am

Luminaria Stroll – Courtyard, December 4 at 6:00pm

Equity, Care and Engagement Project Mural Dedication – Fine Arts Courtyard, December 5 at 3:00pm

Holiday Concert – SCC, December 7 at 6:00pm

READING NEW MEXICO 2024

A Virtual Literary Event + Open Mic

FEATURING LAUREN CAMP, NEW MEXICO POET LAUREATE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20 AT 7 PM

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN ON ZOOM](#) OR ENTER ID 938 0967 3584



Photo by Bob Godwin

New Mexico Poet Laureate Lauren Camp is the author of eight poetry collections, most recently *In Old Sky* (Grand Canyon Conservancy, 2024). Her poems and essays have appeared in many journals and anthologies, including *Kenyon Review*, *Prairie Schooner*, *Orion*, *Missouri Review*, and *The Academy of American Poets' Poem-a-Day*. [Read more here](#)

Attendees are invited to participate in our first Reading NM Open Mic. Share a short piece of prose or poetry that responds to the idea of "place" as you understand it.

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LEARNING COMMONS: TUTORING SERVICES REPORT

Shalaine Castillo and Patricia Gillikin



ENROLL Embedded Tutoring Pilot

This semester Professor Lily Intong and Writing Consultants Raysa Ramirez and Stephanie Romero have piloted embedded tutoring in Lily's 1110Z classes, which include a face-to-face class, an online class, and a dual enrollment class.

As part of the Embedded Tutoring project supported by the ENROLL grant, they have met weekly to plan structures to engage and support students. They spoke about their experiences doing this to tutors in a Tutor Education workshop.

For the 13th annual CNM Conference on Teaching and Learning on January 10, Steph, Raysa, Lily, and Patricia will present on their collaboration for this pilot.

Writing Consultant
Stephanie Romero,
Professor Lily Intong,
and Writing
Consultant Raysa
Ramirez



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Creative Writing Group

The Creative Writing Group is back! Come over to the Writing Center Wednesdays from 12pm to 1pm to write and share.

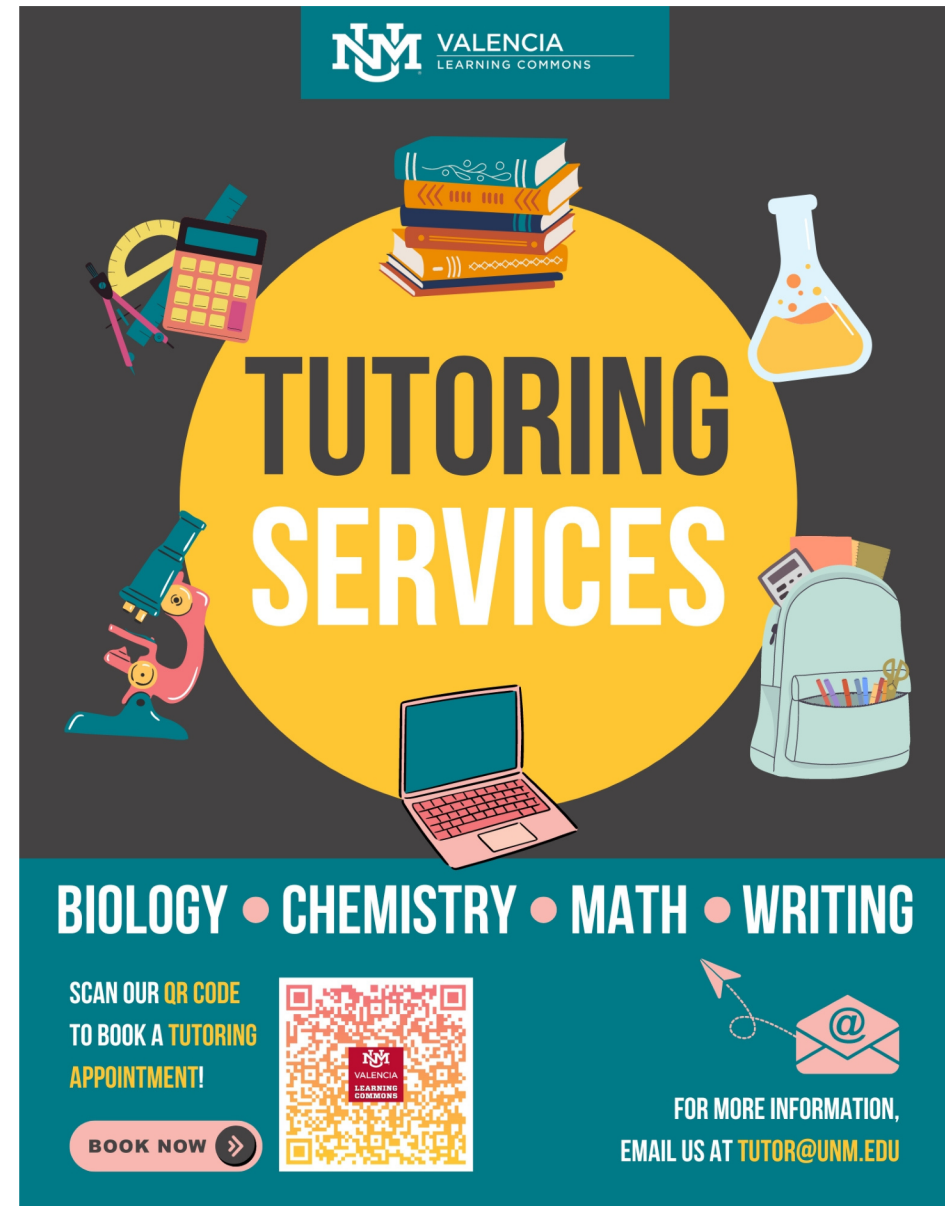
Looking for New Tutors for Spring 2025!

Learning Center STEM Tutors

The Learning Center is seeking new STEM Tutors for Biology, Chemistry, Math, and Statistics! If you have any students who you think will make wonderful STEM Tutors or if you know of any students interested in becoming a STEM Tutor, please reach out to Shalaine Castillo, sbucko7@unm.edu for more information.

Writing Center Consultants

The Writing Center is seeking new tutors—consultants. We seek students who are kind, empathetic, and deeply respectful, and with some savvy about writing. Students who are bilingual in Spanish and English are especially welcome to apply. Email Patricia Gillikin at gillikin@unm.edu with names of students you'd recommend.



The poster features a central yellow circle with the text "TUTORING SERVICES" in large, bold, black and white letters. Surrounding this circle are various educational icons: a stack of books, a calculator, a microscope, a laptop, a beaker with orange liquid, and a backpack. At the top left, the "NM VALENCIA LEARNING COMMONS" logo is displayed. Below the central circle, a teal banner contains the text "BIOLOGY • CHEMISTRY • MATH • WRITING". To the left of the banner, it says "SCAN OUR QR CODE TO BOOK A TUTORING APPOINTMENT!" with a "BOOK NOW" button. To the right, there is a QR code and an email icon with the text "FOR MORE INFORMATION, EMAIL US AT TUTOR@UNM.EDU".

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Chemistry Mondays

Collaboration between the Learning Center and TRIO presents CHEM STUDY SESSIONS for CHEM 1120C and 1215 every Monday 11am – 1pm in LRC 119.

Chemistry Tutors Moriah Sonnenberg and Rosalie Tapia can help with:

- Breaking down tough topics
- Getting exam-ready with group practice
- Asking questions and learning together
- Boosting your confidence in class

There is a Zoom option for those unable to attend in person:

Chemistry with Moriah & Rosalie

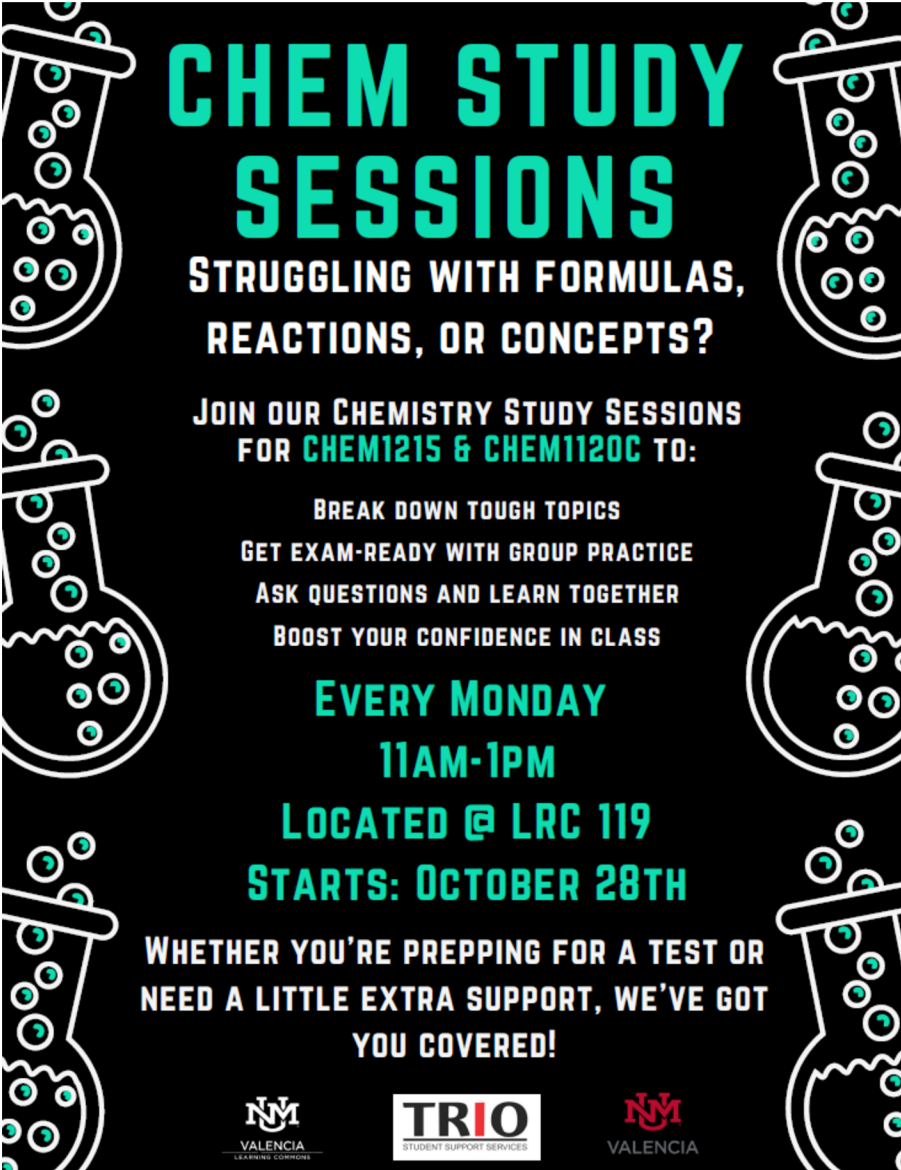
Time: 11:00 AM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

Every week on Mon, until Dec 2, 2024

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 925 1382 8841

Passcode: chemistry



CHEM STUDY SESSIONS


STRUGGLING WITH FORMULAS, REACTIONS, OR CONCEPTS?

JOIN OUR CHEMISTRY STUDY SESSIONS FOR CHEM1215 & CHEM1120C TO:

- BREAK DOWN TOUGH TOPICS
- GET EXAM-READY WITH GROUP PRACTICE
- ASK QUESTIONS AND LEARN TOGETHER
- BOOST YOUR CONFIDENCE IN CLASS

EVERY MONDAY
11AM-1PM
LOCATED @ LRC 119
STARTS: OCTOBER 28TH

WHETHER YOU'RE PREPPING FOR A TEST OR NEED A LITTLE EXTRA SUPPORT, WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED!

LEARNING COMMONS: TUTORING SERVICES REPORT

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Fall 2024 Tutoring Hours

Learning Center Hours of Operation

The Learning Center and Math Center computer lab is open for use Monday – Friday, 8am – 5pm, including Late Night Tutoring on Wednesdays and Thursdays until 7pm.

Available tutoring hours are subject to change due to tutor availability.

Biology 1110, 1140, and 2210

tutoring is available in person and Zoom:

- Mondays 1:30pm – 4pm
- Wednesdays 12pm – 2:30pm

Chemistry 1215

tutoring is available in person and Zoom:

- Mondays 1pm – 4pm
- Wednesdays 10:30am – 2:30pm
- Fridays 10am – 3 pm

Computer Science 105L, 108L, and 152L

tutoring is available in person and Zoom:

- Tuesdays 12pm – 4pm
- Wednesdays 1pm – 4pm
- Thursdays 1pm – 4pm

Math 021, 022, 100, and 1215 XYZ

tutoring is available in person and Zoom:

- Mondays 10am – 4pm
- Tuesdays 9am – 4pm
- Wednesdays 9am – 7pm
- Thursdays 9am – 7pm
- Fridays 10am – 3pm

Math 1220

tutoring is available in person and Zoom:

- Mondays 10am – 2pm
- Tuesdays 9am – 10am and 12pm – 4pm
- Wednesdays 9am – 7pm
- Thursdays 12pm – 7pm

Math 1240

tutoring is available in person and Zoom:

- Mondays 10am – 2pm
- Wednesdays 10am – 1pm
- Thursdays 12pm – 3pm

Math 1350

tutoring is available in person and Zoom:

- Mondays 10am – 4pm
- Tuesdays 9am – 10am and 12pm – 4pm
- Wednesdays 9am – 10am and 10:30am – 7pm
- Thursdays 10:30am – 7pm
- Fridays 10am – 3pm

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Math 1430

tutoring is available in person and Zoom:

- Mondays 1:30pm – 4pm
- Tuesdays 9am – 10am
- Wednesdays 9am – 10am and 12pm – 2:30pm and 4:30pm – 7pm
- Thursdays 10:30am – 1pm and 4:30pm – 6:30pm

Math 1512

tutoring is available in person and Zoom:

- Tuesdays 9am – 10am
- Wednesdays 9am – 10am and 4:30pm – 7pm
- Thursdays 4:30pm – 7pm

NURS 239 – Pathophysiology I

tutoring is available in person and Zoom:

- Mondays 1:30pm – 4pm
- Wednesdays 12pm – 2:30pm

Available Math Faculty in the Learning Center

Andy Taylor	Learning Center	Monday & Wednesday	12:15pm – 1:30pm
Cindi Goodman	LRC 109	Monday & Wednesday	9am – 10am 1:30pm – 2:30pm
Michael Gonzales	LRC 107	Monday	3pm – 4pm
Ariel Ramirez	LRC 133	Tuesday & Thursday	1pm – 2pm

Writing Center Hours of Operation/Schedule

In Person and Online for Zoom and Email Appointments

Monday 11 am – 3 pm

Tuesday 11 am – 4 pm

Wednesday 11 am – 3 pm

Thursday 10 am – 4 pm

Online ONLY for Zoom and Email Appointments

Monday 3 pm – 4 pm

Friday 7 pm – 9 pm

FOR STUDENTS: SCHEDULING APPOINTMENTS

You are able to schedule in person and Zoom appointments for math, science, writing, and other subjects. You are also able to do email appointments for responses to a writing draft.

To schedule an appointment, please go to: Learning Commons Bookings

At that link, choose the specific kind of appointment you want and fill out the information.

If you make a Zoom appointment, you'll get a Zoom link sent to your email before your appointment.

If you are making an email appointment with the Writing Center, email your draft to tutor@unm.edu after you fill out the form above.

If you have difficulty with the scheduling link above, would like an appointment in a subject not listed at that link, or have a question, email tutor@unm.edu. You'll get answers during business hours Monday through Friday.



SAVE THE DATE!
Equity, Care and
Engagement Project
Mural Dedication –
Fine Arts Courtyard,
December 5 at 3:00pm

SOCIAL SCIENCES UPDATE

Cheryl Bryan



SANTA FE TRIP

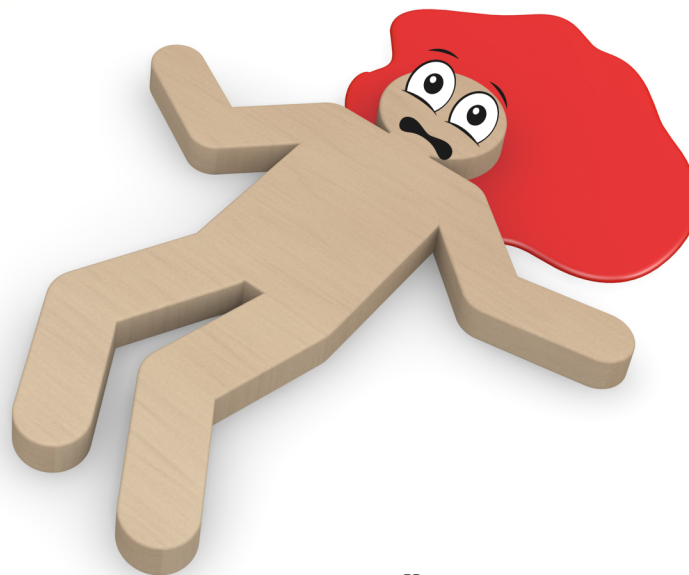
Scott Kamen led a faculty-student trip to Santa Fe on October 25, which was educational and fun! Breakfast burritos were served on the Rail Runner to all attendees—the Rail Runner schedule had us on the train before 8:00 AM! Faculty and students enjoyed a guided tour of the extensive art collections of the New Mexico State Capitol and a self-guided tour of the New Mexico History Museum. Afterward students and faculty split off to enjoy Santa Fe. Faculty met for a delicious lunch and lively conversation before boarding the train home to Albuquerque and Los Lunas. Thank you, Scott, for organizing this trip—it was great fun!

**THE STUDENT NURSES ASSOCIATION (SNA)
AND GENDER & SEXUALITY ALLIANCE (GSA)
ARE HOLDING A...**

BLOOD DRIVE!

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 9 | 9-1
LRC 101-A, B, C**

**DONATE AS THOUGH
LIVES DEPEND ON IT
(BECAUSE SERIOUSLY:
THEY DO!)**



LIBRARY NEWS

Barbara Lovato

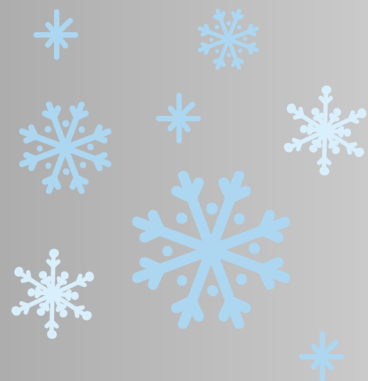
HALLOWEEN DECORATING CONTEST

Each year, UNM-Valencia Campus Library Halloween decorations are designed around a campus-wide theme. Most items are handmade by our librarians and student employees. We use surplus materials and cardboard, teamwork, and lots of creativity.

This year's theme was Grimms Fairytales. The Library covered 25 stories, 14 of which had props, as well as small books for the children that came on Halloween night. We also had 11 large posters with illustrations from famous artists and a snippet of a story. One of our librarians and one of our work-study students created handmade goodies to hand out to guests. Library staff dressed up as The Frog King, Little Red Cap (Red Riding Hood), The Wolf, Rapunzel, 3 witches and 1 dragon. The Library was proud to win third place in this year's competition.



LIBRARY CLOSURES



THANKSGIVING BREAK:

11/28/24-11/29/24

WINTER BREAK

(Subject to change):

12/23/24-1/1/25

LIBRARY NEWS

Barbara Lovato

Library Instruction

Library instruction helps students formulate topics, develop search strategies, locate, evaluate, and effectively use targeted, high quality academic sources for any projects or academic product requiring research. These can be anything from short speeches to mufti-media demonstrations to research papers on historical figures in a variety of disciplines and so much more! Instruction sessions are typically conducted in the Library classroom (LRC 143) or in other classrooms or labs in order to provide students hands-on experience using the resources during the session. Sessions can also be conducted in synchronous Canvas courses or Zoom classes or Librarians can provide assistance via email or text. Library instruction can provide general library information or be customized to specific assignment.

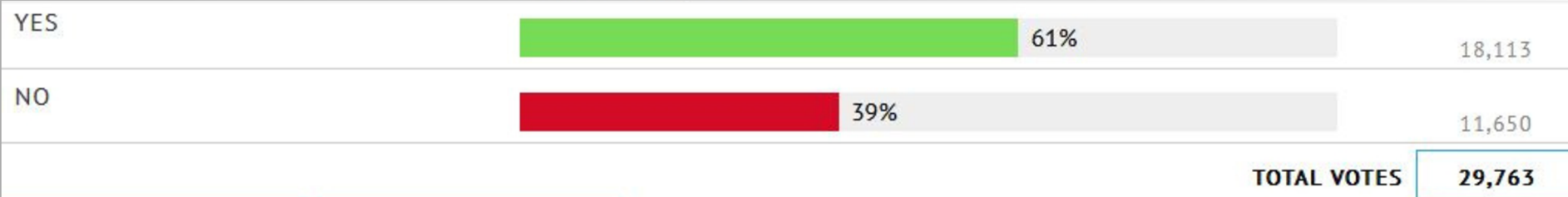
Purchase Recommendations

Need supplemental materials to support your classes? The library is very happy to consider purchasing resources that you feel would be beneficial to support students in your classes. Let us know in plenty of time to acquire what your students will need.

Remember that we do not purchase textbooks, but we continue to put instructor-provided copies of textbooks on Reserve in the library for your courses.

Thank you New Mexico Voters!

During the election on November 5, 2024, voters were asked to vote on a statewide General Obligation (GO) Bond in support of New Mexico Libraries. We are pleased to announce that not only did this question pass statewide, but it also passed in Valencia County with 61% in favor. Public Libraries, Public School Libraries, Tribal Libraries and Academic Libraries will each receive a share of the proceeds from the sale of these bonds to spend over the next 3 years for acquisition of resource materials. Thank you for supporting libraries in New Mexico and locally here at UNM-Valencia Campus!





Faculty Assembly Meeting Draft Agenda
Wednesday, November 20, 2024 (12:00 – 1:15 PM)
Zoom Meeting URL: <https://unm.zoom.us/j/93763558333> (Passcode: 161803)

1. Call to Order (1 min)
2. Acceptance of Agenda (1 min)
3. Approval of Minutes (1 min)
4. Chancellor's Report - Sam Dosumu (10 min)
- . Dean of Instruction's Report - Laura Musselwhite (10 min)
5. Treasurer's Report - Andisheh Dadashi (1 min)
6. Committee Plans (2 min per)
 - 7 FacultyProgramDevelopmentCommittee
 - FacultyHandbookCommittee
 - FacultyCommunicationCommittee
8. Faculty Senate Report (5 min)
9. President-Elect Election (10 min)
10. SGA Toy Drive (5 min)
11. EIRG Handbook Proposal (10 min)
12. New Business / Announcements
 - FAFundDonation(5min)
 - ArtShow(3min)
13. Adjournment



Faculty Assembly Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 16, 2024 (12:00 – 1:15 PM)
Zoom Meeting URL: <https://unm.zoom.us/j/91310965551> (Passcode: 61023)
Attendance

Ian Burch
Andy Taylor
Andisheh Dadashi
Sam Dosumu
Mindy Schwartz
Justin Bendell
Cindy Goodman
Ariel Ramirez
Ana June

PiotrFilipczak
JoshuaFrankCardenas
MichaelGonzales
BenFlicker
PreciousAndrew
LauraMusselwhite
StevenRomero
CherylBryan
Susan Yasenka

AniccaCox
NatalieSheppard
KatGullahorn
SarahHeyward
PatriciaGillikin
JerryGodbout
BarbaraLovato
DorothyGaylor

12:01 Call to Order 12:02 Acceptance of Agenda Justin Bendell moves, Cheryl Bryan seconds 1202

Approval of Minutes Cheryl Bryan moves, Justin Bendell seconds 1202 Chancellor's Report - Sam

Dosumu Good to see everyone. It's day 3 of the 2nd half of the semester. What I'm seeing and learning

is that we get a lot of students at our front end - they sign up for both halves at the same time. Second half courses are good for harder classes, those that fail or drop can get a second chance, it's a good feature. Numbers are still the same, even though they came in late. Students are in the classes, we don't need to hunt down new students.

New hires, brought in 6 new people. 2 marketing, 2 new into outreach. Enroll grants, lasts until 27, has some people with it. Outreach people are our sales people, go out and talk to the community about our classes. My focus is to push that a lot. Talking to them about doing faculty & student highlights - put our research out there. Looking at how to get more dual credit students. Our advisors go out to local schools every few weeks. For all intents and purposes we have 10 people doing outreach.

12:07 My focus is on access - reaching students in all locations and bringing learning to them. Looking at transportation - it's not feasible to expect a student to incur debt to buy a car to go to college. What would it take to get a deal with rio transit. Grand Rapids CC made a deal for local



transportation free for their students. Can we do anything for students outside of the I25 corridor?

12:10 Last but not least is the college council. Lots of groups are joining us, tomorrow is our first town-hall meeting. Voice of the campus. I'm not chairing it, more of a committee type thing. Just like I do here, I'll come in, give answers to things. Tell your colleagues for them to join in. This is the first, it's not going to be perfect, if you see things that can be better let me or Andisheh know
AndyTaylor:I'mreallyexcitedtoseeaboutthetransitsituation

Ariel Ramirez: I wonder if we can use a university bus to create our own route.

Sam: Yeah, we have a lot of students who live in ABQ, we can make us a stop so they can drive down here. ASU has busses on the road all the time. We're no different

Andisheh Dadashi: And we put "UNM Valencia" on the buses.

Cheryl: You said you wanted transportation in place next year. Did you mean next year or academic year?

Sam: Probably next fall, but maybe pilot it in the Spring. I'd have to give Rio Transit numbers and then work out the numbers and advertise that you could catch a UNMV bus

Sarah Heyward: Are the town halls going to be recorded for those who can't attend?

Andisheh: In chat we were talking about if we'd need a zoom meeting - most of us think we do 1st in person to see how many people attend, pushing people to come later

Sarah: Usually when I see town halls they're recorded for information and record-keeping, so everyone can know what's going on

12:15 Dean of Instruction's Report - Laura Musselwhite

Couple of items that are related to the provost's office. First, the office of academic personnel are bringing in consultants to see how they do things. They hae conflicting info and take a while to do forms, so we're getting an outside view and straightening things out. They're involving the branch dean admins as well; people like Margaret who do the actual processing
Restructuring provost work - Bill Stanley, their chair prof dev is going back to teaching so people are moving around. Hiring a replacement for the chair professional development, anyone can apply.

Lastly, ABQ has new requirements for non-standard payments. Always been a form but now documentation on details (fliers, agendas, etc). Needs more than just the original description. Not based on issues with branches, but the health science center was having massive issues,



audit showed they need more documentation on where money is going. If I ask you for an agenda or flier in the future, that's why

All campus academy on Friday. Someone from ABQ ombuds office is coming down. It is in person starting at 10. All about effective communication. I think in A101. If you just show up, that should be ok. Any questions?

12:20 Treasurer's Report - Andisheh Dadashi

Andisheh Our kettle is broken and we have to buy a new one. We're going to spend some money on this, so it's not the same amount as always. We also have enough for a new coffee machine

Andy Since we cant purchase food anymore, let us know if you have ideas

12:21 Committee Plans

Faculty Professional Development Committee

Andisheh: Have 10k left out of 25k. Not bad for early in the semester

12:21 Faculty Online Teaching & Review Committee

Kat Gullahorn: We meet this afternoon, will identify which classes will go under initial course review. Emails will go out in the next few weeks

12:22 Curriculum Committee

Laura: We had 1 meeting early in the month, approved tweaks to art & FDMA. Meeting next week to look at 2 new programs and that will wrap up curricular for the year. Program review in the spring

12:23 Adjunct Faculty Committee

Natalie Sheppard: Still just working on getting canvas approved and adjuncts paid for labor they're doing that they're not getting paid for

12:24 Faculty Senate Report (5min)

Justin: Faculty Senate was in person this month, but I take less notes then because I get to talk to real people. Worked in groups, discussing concerns from senators across the board. While we haven't narrowed the list down to something we strategically target, we started narrowing down what to look at. Issues of how to increase student success, pay equity, hiring & recruitment benefits, creating transportation, free speech issues, strengthening faculty governance, campus safety. That's the large thing, I'll give a detailed report when it gets narrowed down.



Steven Romero: Cris mentioned a social justice committee, looking for folks interested in serving on that. Been some issues with TAs who have had FERPA related concerns, so building a faculty-specific training for that. Enrollment up, majority from CNM students. Search for a new athletics director

Justin: No one's reached out or taken initiative for the social justice committee, so while I'm happy to help start it, it can't be a committee without people. We'd want main people too, it's supposed to be for all campuses so it can't just be Valencia people.

With BCCC, our main bone to pick is Los Alamos continuing to not respond to faculty in a way that feels fair. Make sure folks there feel represented by their administration. First in-person meeting at LA later this year

12:28 Andiseh: The BCCC is different from College Council, yes?

Justin: Yes it's a subcommittee of faculty senate for branch campus senators

12:29 EIRG Update

Steven: We're trying to consolidate the EIRG and program development committees. There was a misunderstanding on the timeline. Handbook is reviewing the proposed changes at the moment, we should have those sent out within a few weeks. so we can have it read by the next meeting

12:30 T&P Update

Justin: Chairs & Laura & Jerry have met what to do with the new T&P rules. We've met, we've built our committees, and sent out a quick guide on the logic for what we're doing this transitional year and what we'll be doing moving forward. Trying to make the system more equitable and fair on all sides. Wanted to bring this up since we don't have other forums to share this. If anyone needs clarification please ask anytime.

12:32 New Business / Announcements

Cheryl: Friday the 25th, Scott is leading a trip for students & faculty up to Santa Fe. Art students, psych, history, lots of good incentives. Last time we did this was Fall 2018 and it was fun; go to the roundhouse & palace of the governors, then faculty & students split up. Train tickets are covered, breakfast burritos are provided on the way up

Andy: Do we just reach out to you?

Cheryl: Email Scott and let him know what station you'll be getting on. All students and faculty are welcome. A lot of our students have never been up to Santa Fe, so it's a great opportunity to expand students' horizons as well.

1238 Sarah: Submission form for the faculty & staff art show. Staff really shows up every time



Steven: Week of events for dia de las muertos. Zoom event on the 28th; culture & history from indigenous roots to modern version. Workshop with an artist from santa fe. Wednesday & Thursday have various workshops: & events & food. Sponsored through PASOS & EIRG.

12:40 Joshua Frank Cardenas: Institute of American Indian Education is hosting a curriculum fair. 8 - 3 on Saturday the 26th. The flier is in the newsletter

Jerry Godbout: One week from now, Mol Day! We're blowing stuff up. LRC101 and outside.

1130 to 1

Andisheh: Tomorrow, college council

12:42 Adjournment