EGPSA Graduate & Professional Student Association COMMUNIQUÉ

A BIWEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR STUDENTS, BY STUDENTS







THE BIWEEKLY NEED TO KNOW

Pages 2-4. Read about the 2022-2023 council chair candidates!

Page 8-10. Read updates from United Grad Workers.

Pages 11. Read about course offerings for Fall 2022 and Spring 2023.

Page 18. Get information about the Campus Lobo Food Pantry.

To be included in the final issue of the GPSA Communiqué for the 2021-2022 school year on May 4, email us at gpsapr@unm.edu by May 2.

WHO WE ARE

GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION (GPSA)

GPSA is the official student government of all Graduate and Professional Students at UNM. We strive to support and promote YOUR interests and concerns on all university affairs. We offer several resources dedicated to advocacy, education, and financial support because we want YOU to succeed. For more information, visit www.gpsa.unm.edu.

What we do to support YOU:

- We offer grants for research, travel, and conference expenses.
- We offer funds to support graduate student organizations.
- We offer free computer pod services in our office.
- We advocate for YOU at University Administration Meetings and at the State Legislature.

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LEARN ABOUT THE 2022-2023 COUNCIL CHAIR
CANDIDATES

- 1. Joseph Ikogho
- 2. Aaron Cowan
- 3. Ansely Emeanuwa
- 4. Sriram Thotakura
- 5. Jarrod Ronquillo



1. Joseph Ikogho



Joseph is currently a graduate student at the School of Engineering here at The University of New Mexico. He obtained his bachelor's degree in Computer Science from Ambrose Ali University, Nigeria. Joseph is a willing and eager learner, not afraid of taking on new challenges and responsibilities – he believes if one isn't failing at something, they are not learning new things.

Joseph strives to become a better version of himself with every opportunity because he accepts his imperfection, hence does not expect perfection from anyone; he believes in giving his best in every situation.

Joseph is a Christian and a lover of people; he believes his words should leave people better than he met them, not worse.

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2. Aaron Cowan

Aaron Cowan is the Council Chair at present and has served on GPSA since 2018 as the Research Grants Chair, the Elections Chair, and the Legislative Steering Committee Chair. He is a fourth-year doctoral student, having completed a master's degree in Public Administration, and a second master's degree in Learning Sciences. His number one priority remains ensuring that graduate students receive the funding that they need and deserve in order to advance their educational goals, which requires an expansion of the caps on our existing grants. He also wants to modernize our legal code and secure our financial future.



3. Ansely Emeanuwa



Hello! My name is Ansely Emeanuwa, and I'm running for GPSA Student Council Chair 2022-23

My plan is to make sure that students voices get heard. Coming out from the pandemic, it's been hard

for Grads Students to achieve their goals. So, my plan is to make sure that those goal happen. By

spending most of my life giving back to the community and raising money for supplies for APS students, I

was able to change students' lives and I would like to continue the same energy for grad students. So,

join me as we make a change to UNM.

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4. Sriram Thotakura

Sriram is an international student pursuing his PhD in Computer Engineering with a research focus in hardware security. He received his masters in Computer Engineering from UNM in Spring 2021.

He is running for GPSA's council chair position on the platform of transparency and accountability to improve and better lead our legislative branch.

He wants to work with our entire GPSA team to improve the participation of RDSAs on council. He also wants to work in conjunction with executive team to achieve their goals and to improve the campus environment for graduate students.



5. Jarrod Ronquillo



Pleasure to meet you, my name is Jarrod Ronquillo, and I am running for GPSA 2022 Council Chair. As a member of your elected student government, I would lead with inclusivity and sustainability. I have extensive experience working with both ASUNM and GPSA as the President of the Lobo Ice Hockey Team. Conducting meetings and handling a six-figure budget for three years has made me a huge advocate for club's across UNM. As GPSA Council Chair I will advocate for every club to have an equal voice, so they may receive the deserved support to be successful! Thank you!

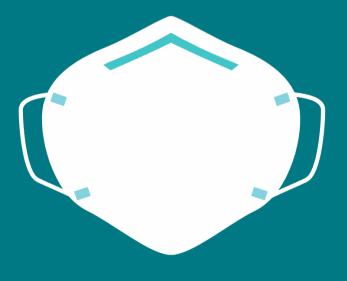
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Free Tickets in the GPSA Office!
SUB Suite 1021

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MASKS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE GPSA OFFICE! IF YOU NEED MASKS, PICK THEM UP WHILE SUPPLIES LAST.

CONTACT US: STUDENT UNION BUILDING, ROOM 1021

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Motice:



Graduate/Professional Students

Lockers in Zimmerman Library are available!

If you wish to check out a locker, please visit the Graduate & Professional Student Association (GPSA) Office located in the Student Union Building (SUB) Suite 1021.

Please contact the GPSA Office at 505.277.3803 with any questions/comments.

Thank you!

A MESSAGE FROM UNITED GRAD WORKERS

We are going to the bargaining table with UNM on May 4th! All next week, United Grad Workers will be tabling all around campus with free coffee and donuts - come by to chat with us about the new contract! We will also be handing out STICKERS that you can wear on May 4th to show your support! If you aren't able to come by one of the tables, you can contact your department steward for stickers. We will also be holding a union potluck on Saturday, April 23, 1-4pm at Roosevelt Park (500 Spruce St. SE). For more detailed updates and to provide your input on bargaining, come to our General Membership Meeting on Thursday, April 23, at 5:30pm.

THE UNIVERSITY WORKS BECAUSE WE DO!

IG & TWITTER: @UNMGRADWORKERSFB: FACEBOOK.COM/UNMGRADWORKERS





UGW - UNM

CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS BEGIN SOON!

Date	Location	Time
Thu, Apr 28	Centennial Library	11am-2
	Smith Plaza	12:20pm-2
	HSLIC sidewalk	9am-12
Fri, Apr 29	Cornell Mall	12pm-3
	Duck Pond	1pm-4
Mon, May 2	Centennial Library	10am-1
	Smith Plaza	12pm-3
	HSLIC sidewalk	10am-1
Tue, May 3	Centennial Library	12pm-3
	Bookstore	12:30pm-3:30
	Smith Plaza	10am-12



Enjoy Free Donuts, Coffee, and chatting with workers throughout the week leading up to bargaining!

For more updates, kindly visit our website at https://unmgrads.ueunion.org





Do you want to help welcome refugees and immigrants coming here?

You can make a lasting difference in the lives of newcomers coming to the U.S. as refugees or immigrants from Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, Central/East Africa, Mexico, and Central America. You'll learn about refugee/immigrant issues, gain teaching experience and advocacy skills, and build valuable friendships! Course is a 2 semester, 9 credit commitment.

HEALTH & SOCIAL INEQUALITIES: COMMUNITY ACTION WITH NEWCOMERS





You must attend <u>ONE</u> of the orientation meetings <u>before</u> enrolling in the class.

Orientation Sessions:

Thursday, April 7th, 2-3pm In-person Friday, April 8th, 11am-12pm via Zoom Monday, April 11th, 4-5pm via Zoom Thursday, April 14th, 12pm-1pm In-person Tuesday, April 19th, 8:30-9:30am In-person Wednesday, April 20th, 9am-10am via Zoom

In-person location: SSCO 1061

Zoom link:
https://unm.zoom.us/j/92556539002

Meeting ID: 925 5653 9002

Passcode: Newcomer

For more info, contact Dr. Jessica Goodkind jgoodkin@unm.edu https://rwp.unm.edu

SAAM 2022: Self-Advocacy

APRIL IS SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH #SAAM22



Male & Masculine People Are Affected by Sexual Assault

Male college students ages 18-24 are approximately 5 times more likely than non-students of the same age to be a victim of rape or sexual assault *

Steps to Consider

- Preserve Evidence
- Seek Medical Attention
- Report the Sexual Misconduct
- Seek Accommodations & Other Assistance

More information & resources available at:

- smart.unm.edu
- loborespect.unm.edu

How to Report

Make an official report to the Office of Equal Opportunity at 505.277.5251 or University Police at 505.277.2241.

Anonymously speaking with someone about reporting and support options is also available.

Confidential Campus Reporting Sites

LGBTQ Resource Center 505.277.5428

LoboRESPECT Advocacy Center 505.277.2911

Student Health and Counseling 505.277.3136

Women's Resource Center 505.277.3716

Created by Engaging Men & Masculine People Working Group

* Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Rape and Sexual Victimization Among College-Aged Females, 1995-2013 (2014).

SAAM 2022: Be An Active Bystander

What is an Active Bystander?

Active Bystanders witness acts that are harmful or potentially harmful and "step in" to prevent it, while maintaining their safety & safety of others.

How to Be An Active Bystander

- **1. Notice the Situation:** Be aware of your surroundings
- **2. Interpret it as a Problem:** Do I recognize that someone needs help?
- **3. Feel Responsible to Act:** See yourself as being part of the solution by helping
- **4. Know What to Do:** Educate yourself on what to do
- **5. Intervene Safely:** Take action but be sure to keep yourself safe

Use the 5 D's

Direct: Directly intervene in a situation. Always be safe and carefully consider the best way to intervene.

Distract: Create a distraction to interrupt a situation. Diverting attention can be effective!

Delegate: Talk to someone who may be in a better position to help. Call 911 if necessary.

Delay: If you can't take action in the moment, or if others aren't receptive, you can still make a difference afterward by checking on the people, by asking how you can help or offering resources.

Document: Documenting a situation can be helpful - whether it's video or written documentation.



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U Got This! Bystander Intervention Online Training

Email CCRT@UNM.EDU for a link to the training

Available to all UNM students





A Model for Evidence-Based Performance **Management:** The New Mexico Legislative Finance Committee

FREE WEBINAR | April 26 | 11:00 AM (MT)

PRESENTERS

Jon Courtney

Deputy Director for Program Evaluation, State of NM Legislative Finance Committee

Patria de Lancer Julnes

Moderator, Rosenthal Endowed Professor and Director UNM School of Public Administration Committee

Charles Sallee

Deputy Director for Budget State of NM Legislative Finance





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A MODEL FOR EVIDENCE-BASED PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT: THE NEW MEXICO LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE

THERE IS A GREAT DEAL THAT STATE LEGISLATURES AND PROFESSIONALS WORKING IN PROGRAM EVALUATION AND PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT CAN LEARN FROM THE NEW MEXICO LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE (LFC), WINNER OF THE 2022 CENTER FOR PERFORMANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY (CAP) ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP AWARD. THE LFC HAS BEEN WORKING ON VARIOUS PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT, PROGRAM EVALUATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECTS FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS. THEIR WORK HAS DEMONSTRATED A COMMITMENT TO EVIDENCE-BASED BUDGET DECISION-MAKING. WHICH, ACCORDING TO THE PEW CHARITABLE TRUST'S RESULTS FIRST INITIATIVE, MAKES NEW MEXICO A LEADER IN EVIDENCE-BASED POLICYMAKING. THIS WEBINAR, CO-SPONSORED BY CAP AND THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO SCHOOL OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (SPA), WILL EXPLORE THE LFC'S INNOVATIVE DATA ANALYSIS AND PRESENTATION APPROACHES DURING LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS. AS WELL AS ITS LATEST ENDEAVOR: A PERFORMANCE-DRIVEN LEGISLATIVE STAT SYSTEM.

A MESSAGE FROM EVALUATION LAB

The Evaluation Lab (<u>PUBP 502</u>) is now accepting <u>Fellowship applications</u> - apply to join the 2022-2023 cohort of graduate students today!

Students in the Evaluation Lab receive high quality program evaluation training and work hands-on with community organizations in New Mexico. The course harnesses the rigorous analytical and quantitative skills of academia to serve the public good.

Students accepted into the program enroll in a two-semester Evaluation Lab course sequence that emphasizes collaborative and culturally competent problem-solving, robust data analysis, and creative ways of communicating technical information, applied to a community organization's evaluation project.

What you can get out of it?

- The course is cross-listed to allow you to obtain credit towards your degree.
- Hands-on experience designing and implementing an evaluation project for a New Mexico non-profit
- Marketable and valuable evaluation skills to list on your resume
- A \$500 stipend in each semester (\$1000 in total)
- Work under the mentorship of trained evaluators at UNM

Learn <u>more</u> about the Evaluation Lab and check out the <u>application website</u> to join! (<u>www.evallab.unm.edu</u>)

If you have any questions, email Claudia Diaz Fuentes at <u>claudiadf@unm.edu</u> for more information.

PARTICIPATE IN AN IRB-APPROVED STUDY

This modified Critical Incident Technique study will investigate the lived experiences of graduate students in their myriad roles as learners, researchers, instructors, and more. We will ask UNM graduate students to complete a preliminary online survey that will ask them for some demographic information and to schedule a virtual interview. The survey will include a consent form that acknowledges that they are free to withdraw their participation at any time and that:

- · Their participation in the study is entirely voluntary.
- They are free to refuse to answer any part of any question at any time.
- They are free to withdraw from the study at any time.
- Their responses will be kept strictly confidential and will be used only for scholarly research and to improve library services.
- Excerpts of this survey may be made part of a final research paper or journal articles.

The subsequent interviews will last 1-1.5 hours and ask them to tell us stories about their activities and experiences as UNM graduate students. The interviews are designed to draw out personal narratives that include graduate students' thoughts, feelings, and behaviors as they reflect on their academic lives and their research needs.

Our research team will prompt them to consider questions such as the following:

- · Can you describe your graduate student activities over the last few weeks?
- What are recent significant experiences you have had related to your research and/or instruction?
- o Why are these experiences significant to you?
- o What happened and where did it happen?
- o What outcomes did these events have?
- o How did these events contribute to or hinder your success as a UNM graduate student?
- How would you characterize your relationship to the University Libraries?

If you consent to help us promote our study to students in your departments (or if you have any questions), please contact Mark Emmons at 505-277-6674 or at emmons@unm.edu.

Thank you, Mark Emmons

Principal Investigator: Mark Emmons

Responsible faculty: Olivia Baca, Liz Cooper, Teresa Neely, Holly Surbaugh Study Title: Investigating the lived experiences of graduate students at UNM

IRB #: 1870550

Spring 2022 Hours:



Monday, Wednesday, Friday 11:30-1:30 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays & 3-5 p.m.

SUB, Room 1093

(First floor)

Free groceries & toiletries for current UNM students!

What to Bring:

UNM ID card or valid ID and UNM ID number Box/bag to carry your groceries



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Be a Lobo Friends Mentor!

MAKE GLOBAL FRIENDS

BE A CULTURAL AND ACADEMIC AMBASSADOR TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

GAIN INSIGHTS ON DIFFERENT VALUES AND CULTURES

For questions or additional information, email geo@unm.edu





LOOKING FOR OTHER RESOURCES?

- African American Student Services (AASS)
- American Indian Student Services (AISS)
- Asian American Pacific Islander Resource Center (AAPIRC)
- Associated Students of the University of New Mexico (ASUNM)
- Collegiate Recovery Center
- Community Engagement Center (CEC)
- NM Dream Team
- El Centro de la Raza
- Graduate Resource Center (GRC)
- Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA)
- Graduate Studies (GS)
- Kiva Club
- LGBTQ Resource Center
- Lobo Guardian
- LoboRESPECT
- Men of Color Initiative (MOCI)
- Office of Career Services
- Project for New Mexico Graduates of Color (PNMGC)
- Student Activities Center (SAC)
- Student Government Accounting Office (SGAO)
- Veteran & Military Resource Center (VRC)
- Women's Resource Center (WRC)
- United Grad Workers (UGW)



WANT TO SHARE A MESSAGE WITH GRAD STUDENTS?

WE CAN SHARE YOUR MESSAGE WITH ALL GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS AT UNM

Our team is dedicated to promoting the resources available to Graduate & Professional Students at UNM. If you want us to highlight an event, program, or other resource available to Graduate & Professional Students, please email a request to gpsapr@unm.edu with a brief description and flyer to include in the next newsletter.

All requests should be made one week prior to the publication of the GPSA Communiqué. The deadline for submissions to be included in the next newsletter is 5:00 PM on Feb 4, 2022.

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT GPSA?

OUR TEAM IS HERE TO SUPPORT YOU ANY WAY THAT WE CAN! READ OUR FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why do I have GPSA charge on my bursar's account? Students enrolled in a degree-seeking graduate program at UNM are required to pay a student fee to GPSA. This fee goes to funding UNM programs and organizations and is allocated annually by the Student Fee Review Board. Students who do not pay this fee are not eligible to apply for scholarships or grants through GPSA.

Are new UNM Graduate & Professional Students eligible to apply for grants? Yes. You are eligible to apply for SRG, PDG and NMRG (if being offered in the semester) if you meet the respective grant's requirement. However, you are not eligible to apply for the Graduate Scholarship Fund (GSF) if you are in your first semester.

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT GPSA?

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Are grants and scholarships offered every semester? The Student Research Grant (SRG), Professional Development Grant (PDG) and Graduate Scholarship Fund (GSF) are offered in every semester i.e. Fall, Spring and Summer. However, the New Mexico Research Grant (NMRG High Priority and General Priority) are offered only in the Fall Semester.

Can I apply to multiple grants in one grant cycle? Yes, you can apply multiple grants in the same grant cycle, but each grant requires a separate application i.e. Statement of Proposal, Budget sheet and Letter of Recommendation (if required).

Can I utilize my grant award another semester? Yes, you can. The funds which are sought for the event or activity must be utilized within the next, current or previous funding period.



Ask a question. Didn't see your question in our list of <u>FAQs</u>? Submit any questions you have on <u>our website</u>. If your question is urgent or specific, please submit an email directly to the appropriate Committee Chair for a quicker response.

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