

Critical Information For UNM Students - Changes To Campus Access

Dear Students:

Your health and safety are important to us. While UNM remains open for business, most services are now only offered remotely. We ask that you not come to campus without a compelling need. This is in the interest of public safety, not only for our students, but for our community and our state.

The University is committed to helping students graduate and assure continued educational progress in a safe environment. UNM is working to provide educational content remotely; faculty will contact students at least one week in advance of coursework re-commencing remotely. We recommend that you do not change your enrollment status, because changes made now may impact your financial aid. The Department of Education is currently working on addressing this issue, and we will remain in contact with you as details evolve.

The Governor recently directed that all persons traveling into New Mexico from outside the state self-isolate for 14 days and monitor themselves for symptoms.

If you have been out of state or think you have been exposed to coronavirus, you should self-isolate. Self-isolation will be difficult to implement for students living on-campus due to the shared environments. UNM strongly encourages students to remove themselves from the on-campus environment, so residential students will receive a direct communication from their housing department (RLSH or ACC) regarding instructions to move.

Until further notice, UNM will be restricting access to the Libraries, the Student Union Building, classrooms, Johnson Gym Recreation Center, and other community areas. All available campus food options will be limited to the SRC Market (<https://food.unm.edu>) and take out at La Posada. A computing pod remains available in Dane Smith Hall; be sure to check hours (<http://it.unm.edu/pods/locations.html>), which are subject to change.

The University remains in business; we are still serving students. Look at webpages of the resources that you utilize for remote access.

We recommend that students continue to follow best practices to stay healthy; for information see <http://www.unm.edu/coronavirus/>. In addition to keeping yourself healthy, we suggest you follow social distancing protocols outlined here <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/prevention.html>.

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