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Title V Educational Initiatives

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2007 HACU Conference in Chicago, IL

TITLE-V, MAPS PRESENTS AT NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) conference is the premier annual event for Hispanic serving institutions. HACU represents more than 450 colleges and universities committed to Hispanic higher education success in the U.S., Puerto Rico, Latin America, Spain and Portugal. HACU is the only national educational association that represents Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs).

HSIs are defined as non-for-profit institutions that have at least 25% of Hispanic full-time enrollment. The University of New Mexico was able to attain the Title V grant because of our

qualification as a Hispanic Serving Institution.

The MAPS Team of Henry González, MAPS Program Specialist and Yesenia Beltrán, MAPS Graduate Assistant presented their Multiple Academic Pathways for Students component at the HACU conference in Chicago this past October.

HACU serves as the professional association for the UNM Title V Program. We were honored to share the MAPS program with other universities and colleges around the globe. Out of numerous UNM proposals to present at the conference, MAPS and the Scholarship Office were selected to present their programs. UNM had a large presence including a University information booth on the main floor.



The MAPS team presenting at the 21st Annual HACU conference in Chicago, IL

Links:

Hispanic Association of College and Universities
<http://www.hacu.net/>

Hispanic Serving Institutions Program
<http://www.ed.gov/programs/dueshsi/index.html>

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Director's Corner

The New Year brings new hope for change and that means a busy year! There are so many things going on around campus, the state and in national news, that affect all of us including our campus community and the Title V program.

UNM is evolving to meet the needs of our population and community. The President's

initiatives are visible throughout the university including the introduction of the Interim Vice-president of Institutional Diversity, Rita Martínez-Purson.

The State has commenced a 30 day Legislative session. UNM has several priorities including: a 0% tuition credit increase, green UNM energy efficiency and continuation of the Lottery

Scholarship among others. The national presidential primaries and caucuses will be looking to New Mexico for the Latino votes in up coming weeks. 2008 is gearing up to be an invigorating year. Title V is looking forward to supporting positive change in our community. Próspero año a todos.

The 2008 UNM Legislative Priorities will focus on four key areas:

- Student Success
- Excellence in Research
- Health Communities
- Economic and Health Development

For the detailed Executive Summary of the 2008 Legislative Priorities go to:

<http://www.unm.edu/~legis08/>



Title V— Making a Difference Year 1 Impact

Description	Before Title V	After Title V
Number of Faculty participating in professional development addressing new or alternative teaching techniques. In collaboration with the Office of Support for Effective Teaching (OSET) and New Faculty Orientation (NFO).	unknown	157
Number of courses offering supplemental instruction by augmenting capacity with Center for Academic Progress (CAPS).	9	10
Number of classroom mentors in English 101 and Math 121 courses.	0	20
Number of Faculty participating in professional development addressing teaching to a diverse student population. In collaboration with OSET and NFO.	unknown	114
Number of MAPS website visitors. The MAPS tool increases visibility of programs and services. In collaboration with the Provost Committee on Advising (PCA), One-Stop Project and New Student Orientation (NSO).	0	3100
Number of advisors receiving standardized training in collaboration with the PCA.	unknown	154

Title V Regional Conference Coming this Spring to CNM

The purpose of the conference is to strengthen Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs) by sharing best practices among Title V grantees and to promote effective approaches to securing grant funds. Registration fee for this event is \$75.00 per person and includes conference registration and meals. Co-sponsored by Northern New Mexico College and Central New Mexico Community College. Register by emailing BPCregistration@nmmc.edu. Include attendee's Name, Title and Institution (include purchase order number and billing address if available).

Southwest Regional Title V/HSI Conference, March 27-29, 2008, Central New Mexico Community College, Albuquerque, NM.

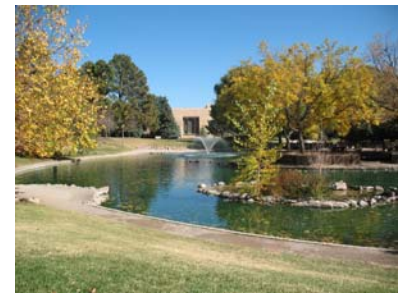


Photo of the Duck Pond in Fall taken by Title V staff member

Faculty and Staff Development and Engagement Highlights

During the Fall 2007 semester, the Faculty & Staff component of the Title V grant was busy with receptions, workshops and institutes. About 150 academic advisors from UNM and CNM participated in the Advisors Institute held in September in conjunction with the Provost Committee For Advising. Dr. David Schmidly also welcomed about 75 new faculty and guests at a new faculty reception at the National Hispanic Cultural Center in September.

Dr. Craig E. Nelson from the University of Indiana, Bloomington presented a workshop entitled, "Responding To Diversity" spon-

sored in conjunction with Title V, the UNM Office of Support for Effective Teaching and the New Mexico Alliance for Faculty Diversity – Partnership for Adaptation, Implementation and Dissemination.

Title V and OSET also partnered to host the "Designing Courses For Effective Student Learning" in January. About 25 faculty, teaching assistants and other instructors participated in the two-day workshop facilitated by Dr. Gary Smith (Earth & Planetary Sciences), Tom Keyes (Education) and Hope García (Sociology).

The UNM Advisors Institute (formerly

"Summit") will be held Tuesday 29 April, 2009 in the SUB. This institute is held once a semester to give advisors an opportunity for networking and professional development. An online registration portal will soon be available for advisors.

Our component also has new additions. Pam L. Herrington is a Graduate Assistant working on a Master's in Education. She is doing her student teaching at Manzano High. Julián J. Murrieta is our new graduate assistant. He is a UNM alumnus and is currently working on his master's degree in accounting from the Anderson School of Management.





In the Student Spotlight with Samantha Luna

Q. Samantha, can you tell us ; where you are from, which high school you graduated from, what year you are in at UNM, your family, etc.?

I'm from Los Angeles, California in the city of Santa Mónica. I went to Santa Mónica High School for my freshman and part of my sophomore year. I then moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico and finished up my sophomore year at Albuquerque High. In my junior year I went to Amy Biehl Charter School. I graduated from Amy Biehl in May 2007. I moved in with my godparents out here in Burque. Every break I go and visit my mother and father and blood relatives. I am a freshman here at UNM in my second semester.

Q. What are you planning to study/major in at UNM?

I have not declared my major yet, but I think that I will be double majoring in Business Management and Spanish. I'm really excited about all the study abroad opportunities there are at UNM.

Q. Do you have an idea or plans for what the future looks like after you graduate from UNM?

After graduating from UNM, I plan on moving back to Southern California and going to one of the University of California schools for my Masters.

Q. What is your favorite aspect of working with UNM Title V Program?

I have had a lot of office experience throughout my teen years, I have grown fond of the quirky tasks around the office, and there is usually fresh coffee in the morning. I love the fact that they support a mentoring institute for gateway classes at UNM. I do believe my favorite part about working here at UNM Title V is the employees and their overall intention here at Title V Educational Initiatives.

Q. What is the most challenging aspect of working with the Title V Program?

Knowing where to file something.



Samantha Luna is a student employee with the Title V program. Sammy assists with the administrative duties.

Q. When you are not focusing on your studies or at work what do you like to do in your spare time?

I like to make collages out of stuff I find throughout the day. I like spending time with my friend Neolia who will be here at UNM very soon.

Q. Anything else you would like to add?

Thank you for keeping me a part of the team



Partnering with the UNM Mentoring Institute

The Mentoring Institute develops, coordinates, and integrates research and training activities in mentoring best practices at the University of New Mexico. Through the application of instructional design standards, the Institute provides certification and evaluation services for a diverse array of staff, faculty, and students' mentoring programs, in a centralized effort to recruit, train, and develop qualified mentors for UNM, Albuquerque and New Mexico's community.

The Mentoring Institute does not replace or direct the mentoring programs that exist or are starting up at UNM and beyond.

Instead, it provides a variety of services to these programs, in order to build them up and to enhance the culture of mentoring



throughout the university, and the state.

There are presently at least sixteen formal mentoring programs at UNM. There are several more informal programs, and many more individual

partnerships between mentors and mentees in the university.

Title V is one of the many programs at UNM that has a mentoring program. The Student Development and Engagement component will be taking the opportunity to partner with the Mentoring Institute in the training of mentors. This collaboration will serve as a pilot run for the Mentoring Institute and allow Title V to take part in

the development of this wonderful resource and provide quality training to our student mentors.

One of the main purposes of the Mentoring Institute is to develop and provide research-supported, evidence-based training on best practices in mentoring.

The Mentoring Institute is developing research and initial training programs, and continues to develop their Web site (www.unm.edu/~mentor). Visit their site in the near future to see the general and targeted mentoring training programs offered, a calendar of training events, and descriptions of their research. You may contact the Mentoring Institute by email at mentor@unm.edu.



Calendar of Events

- February 2008 MAPS MYPAGE goes live!
- 24 February 2008 College Goal Sunday Financial Aid Workshop (2-4pm SUB)
- 28 February 2008 UNM's Birthday!
- March 2008 In honor of César Chávez Month at UNM
- 27-29 March 2008 Southwest Regional Title V/HIS Conference
- 28 March 2008 "Succeeding Beyond a Degree" UNM Senior Conference
- 29 April 2008 UNM Advisors Institute
- 22 - 23 May 2008 Designing Courses For Effective Student Learning Faculty Institute



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Dr. Craig Nelson at the "Responding to Diversity" Workshop



Armando smiling for the camera at the Advisors Institute



Faculty Institute in November 2007



Title V G.A. Pam, signing faculty in for the Faculty Institute