



**Chancellor Weekly Brief - 1/17/2020**  
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## **Faculty Development Week Success**

We were very excited about the faculty returning to convene for such a strong and effective set of well thought out explorative sessions after our holiday break. The sessions proved beneficial to all that participated. It is in these opportunities to come together, explore ideas, and discover shared strategies that will help us succeed in our mission -creating the optimum environment of learning for our students.

### **Our Mission...**

**The University of New Mexico –  
Gallup prepares people to achieve  
their educational and professional  
goals in a context of respect for  
the traditions and values of the  
many groups it serves.**



## **UNM Procurement to Small Business Outreach at Gallup Chamber of Commerce**

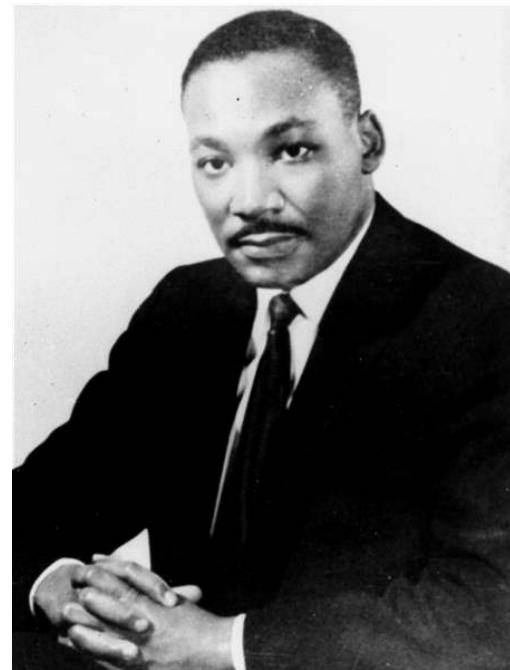
Our very own UNMG Local Board Chair Ralph Richards and UNMG Small Business Development Center Director Cyndi Jarvison hosted the Small Business Development Center's first of several workshops geared to provide important information for small business owners and hopeful entrepreneurs within Gallup this week. Last semester these leaders helped Gallup get more local purchasing contracts. In fact, part of Ms. Jarvison's response to what was learned last year was to respond to the need to find constructive ways to

include UNM in this public session. UNM Procurement was able to engage with the local business community to better connect with the University's \$750million a year purchasing outlay. I was enthusiastic to play a role in introducing them as a way to start the session.



## Martin Luther King, Jr.

Next Monday we will observe Martin Luther King Jr. and the Civil Rights Movement of the United States. He—though not alone—made such a great impact on how our country strives to look at the content of each of the characters we embody and how each adds to the success of the greater good for our nation. I particularly enjoy his many great speeches that encourage us to open our hearts and minds to each other and how he reminds us to never take our “eye of the ball” when it comes to combating oppression, bigotry and in justice. What most resonates for the work we do here can be found in the words of his “Life’s Blueprint” speech. Take a look: <https://youtu.be/zGt1zbNt2Tl>



## **Classes start Tuesday**

I am confident that I speak for the entire faculty, staff and campus administration when I say how wonderful it will be to have all of our students return to campus next Tuesday. We have been working faithfully and diligent to ensure that this next semester will be a great one. We are excited that we have yet another opportunity to continue our commitment to each of our UNM Gallup student's success, together.