UNM-GALLUP COVID-19
7.21.2020 Update

These UNM-Gallup updates are intended to keep our campus informed on developments related to the COVID-19 Coronavirus outbreak. The Chancellor’s Weekly Brief will also be distributed on Fridays. For additional information, please rely on www.unm.edu/coronavirus or www.gallup.unm.edu/coronavirus

CHANCELLOR’S OPEN FORUM TODAY AT 4 P.M.

Please join us today for the Chancellor’s Open Forum at 4 p.m. on Zoom. Instructions are posted below.

Join Zoom Meeting
https://unm.zoom.us/j/94360580984

Meeting ID: 943 6058 0984
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Zoom Quick Start Guide:

If you have never used Zoom before, please install the client in advance of the webinar:

For Windows and Mac Users:
https://unm.zoom.us/client/latest/ZoomInstaller.exe

Zoom Mobile Apps:
UNM-GALLUP COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM REVIEW AND PRIORITIZATION:

We have recently formed the Ad Hoc Committee on Program Review and Prioritization, which is comprised of Dr. Dan Primozic, department chairs and Faculty Assembly representatives John Zimmerman, Carolyn Kuchera, and Bruce Gjeltema. This committee is charged with finding programmatic cost savings in academic affairs for the short and long-term. The discovery work conducted by this committee will yield recommendations that will go forward to our senior management team for further discussion and action. This group will also generate further budgetary adjustment recommendations that will be presented to the Faculty Assembly upon its return in August.

Again, these are challenges times that we face together, and we are fortunate to have the leadership and teams in place to work through these budget issues that will ultimately provide good stewardship to our campus community.

NEW MEXICO’S CAUTIOUS PATH DISCUSSED IN WASHINGTON POST:

In a bit of good news published today in the Washington Post, New Mexico’s more cautious path to reopening is leading to better COVID-19 numbers, though cases are still increasing. As discussed in the article, New Mexico hospitals have also been required to take on patients from overwhelmed states Arizona and Texas.

You can read more of the data and analysis provided by the Post here.

UNM UPDATED TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS:

UNM has recently updated travel requirements for personnel. As stated in the updated policy, the university has restricted university-related travel until further notice with limited exceptions for travel essential to university operations. UNM is carefully evaluating all university-related travel—including by car—to high incidence areas outside of and within the state on a case-by-case basis.

UNM SOCIOLOGY PROFESSOR EXAMINES PANDEMIC EFFECT ON RESTAURANTS:

As the COVID-19 pandemic shutdown continues, restaurants everywhere are feeling the impact. Many closed or switched to curbside and takeout options. But others have been on a months-long roller coaster – opening as virus numbers dropped and closing down when cases rose. And a large percentage of people filing for unemployment in New Mexico right now are from the restaurant industry.

Eli Wilson, a professor at The University of New Mexico Department of Sociology and Criminology, studies restaurant labor – exploring race, class, and gender inequalities in the foodservice industry.

Read more about Wilson’s work, including a link to his recently published article here.
UNM HR ‘BRINGING BACK THE PACK’ ONLINE TRAINING (REMINDER):

As we implement our phased reopening plan and prepare for the fall semester, please remember that UNM Human Resources has assigned ‘Bringing Back the Pack’ online training. There are 7 modules within this training video and to complete takes a little over 20 mins. This training is required of all employees before they return to work on campus and has been automatically assigned in Learning Central. See: https://bringbackthepack.unm.edu/

PLEASE READ OUR UNM-GALLUP PHASED REOPENING PLAN (REMINDER):

A reminder that our phased reopening plan is now available for your review at: www.gallup.unm.edu/safe-return. Please be sure to read through this plan and understand its impact on your department or unit. If you have questions or suggestions after reading this plan, we invite you to bring those to our daily Chancellor’s Open Office Hour at 4 p.m. on Zoom.

HELPFUL LINKS:

Student Q&A: COVID-19 Measures for Student Academic Success

Due Diligence in Alternative Methods of Advising

Student CR/NC Policy Update | UNM Registration How-To Video

UNM-Gallup Coronavirus Updates | UNM Main Campus Coronavirus Updates

Faculty Resources | Student Resources | Student Survey

Community Resources | UNM Forum