



# LOS ALAMOS

## Student Services Newsletter

### January 2024

#### WELCOME BACK!

We hope you had a restful break and are ready to take on the challenges of a new year!

Student Services is hosting Welcome Back Dat on Tuesday, January 30. There will be a CIC Meet and Greet in the Lecture Hall from 11:30 - 12:30. See the promotional poster at the end of this newsletter.

#### LANL FOUNDATION CAREER PATHWAYS SCHOLARSHIP

The LANL Foundation Career Pathways Scholarship is now open! The deadline is 4/1/2024.

<https://lanlfoundation.org/scholarship/career-pathways-scholarships/>

Career Pathways Scholarships are \$750 awards per semester up to \$3,000 total. Renewal is dependent upon remaining in good academic standing and making progress toward completion.

#### Description:

For students who have a clear vision of the career they'd like to pursue and are highly motivated to gain the skills and credentials needed to enter the workforce in their career of choice, an associate degree or certification can fast track those dreams. Career Pathways Scholarships are specifically for those who want to earn an associate degree,

certification or professional trade credential. These scholarships are available to high school students and adult learners with a high school diploma or GED/High School Equivalency (HSE).

#### Eligibility Requirements:

Strong applicants pursuing any area of study will be considered for a Career Pathways Scholarship if you meet the following criteria:

- You are currently enrolled in or planning to enroll in a two-year degree or certificate program.
- You are a permanent resident (366 consecutive days or more) of Northern New Mexico counties of Los Alamos, Mora, Rio Arriba, San Miguel, Sandoval, Santa Fe, or Taos at the time of application.
- You have earned, or are on track to earn, a high school diploma or GED, are a high school senior currently enrolled in the final semester of high school or near completion of a GED/HSE program.

Scholarship applications are submitted online through their portal. Please contact Jenny Duran with questions: [jenduran@unm.edu](mailto:jenduran@unm.edu)

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## JAMES BOURGUET GRADUATES AND LEAVES STUDENT SERVICES



For about a year, James Bourguet has been the face of Student Services. While he is one of the most recognizable faces on campus, how much do you know about this mysterious man?

If you said “not much,” keep reading!

James is originally from Alamogordo, but his family moved here when he was two. He enjoys travelling, but he has always ended up back here.

Among the things that James enjoyed the most while he was here at UNM-Los Alamos was his internship at Attack Research, where he assembled a Raspberry Pi and learned about Unix Programming. He found the challenge intellectually stimulating, and he hopes to turn cybersecurity into a career.

James hopes one day to move to Germany. He has studied the language and has a deep love of the German culture.

James is an avid gamer. His favorite games are Warframe, Rainbow Six: Siege, and Titanfall 2. He has even built some gaming computers in the past!

We are going to miss seeing James in the office. He definitely helped to define the character of Student Services. Auf Wiedersehen und viel Glück!

## IMPORTANT DATES

Be sure to note these important dates below. Deadlines are for full-term classes only. Check <https://registrar.unm.edu/semester-deadline-dates/index.html> for a complete list.

**January 15:** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - campus closed

**January 16:** First Day of Classes

**January 26:** Last day to ADD sections and CHANGE credit hours on LoboWEB

**January 26:** Last day to PETITION for in-state tuition classification

**January 30:** Welcome Back Day! Student Center, 10 am - 2 pm

**February 2:** Last day to ADD sections and/or CHANGE credit hours with completed form for full-term class. Fees apply.

**March 10 - 17:** Spring Break, campus closed

**April 12:** Last date to DROP without Dean's permission on LoboWEB

**May 2:** Last date to CHANGE grade mode with form

**May 2:** Last day to DROP with Student Services permission

**May 6 - 11:** Final examinations

**May 9:** Commencement

**May 16:** Last day to report removal of Incomplete

## TIPS FOR RETURNING TO SCHOOL

Here are some tips for returning to school:

1. **Get organized.** If you don't set up a calendar and a study schedule now, it is likely you won't do it later. Make sure you have all the materials you need for each class, including a separate notebook for every subject you are taking.

2. **Set up a sleep schedule.** Getting adequate sleep improves your memory, your ability to do complex tasks, and your mental health. Going to sleep at the same time every day helps you set your body's rhythms and assure you wake up well rested and ready to take on the day.

3. **Reconnect with your friends.** Research has shown that having stable social relationships cultivates a feeling a well-being and improves academic performance.

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: SHYANNE GARCIA

Hometown & High school: Ojo Caliente & Los Alamos High School

Major: Pre-Engineering and Pre-Business

Plans for after graduation: I hope to either continue my career at Los Alamos National Laboratory or fulfill my dreams of moving out of state.

Dream Job: Welding Engineer or Weapons Facilities Operations Manager

Hobbies: I enjoy playing volleyball and going snowboarding.

Favorite sports teams: Denver Nuggets

Top of my playlist: "Tourniquet" by Zach Bryan

Favorite class: Intro to Business

Red or green: Christmas

## CANVAS HELP AND DIGITAL SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Canvas Help and Digital Skills Workshops for Spring 2024 semester will begin next week, January 16 for students taking online classes or classes with an online component to it. If you need help signing into/navigating Canvas, getting registered for online learning software, or digital skills help (Scanning and



uploading written work, communicating online with your instructor, finding scholarly sources, using Lockdown browser), please visit Kevin Rosenberger through Zoom. You may also email with questions or schedule an appointment to meet on Zoom at a time different than the times listed below.

**Monday - Friday:** 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm  
(or by appointment)

Zoom Link:

<https://unm.zoom.us/j/95136136380>

## NATIONAL PARK SERVICE "SCIENTISTS IN PARKS" PROGRAM



The National Park Service offers paid natural science internships at many park locations, including several in New Mexico, for students aged 18 and older who are US citizens. Internships range from 12-52 weeks. Besides a weekly stipend, interns receive a relocation stipend. Some locations even offer paid housing. No specific degree requirements. Apply for up to 5 different positions.

Applications are due January 21, 2024  
For more information and to look at all of the available positions, visit: <https://www.scientistsinparks.org/>

## ADA STATEMENT

The University of New Mexico-Los Alamos is committed to the recognition and the proactive pursuit of compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA). The University makes reasonable accommodation for religious observances, national origin practices of a student and to the known physical or mental limitations of a qualified student, unless such accommodations have the end result of fundamentally altering a program or service or placing an undue hardship on the operation of the University. Qualified students with disabilities should contact Student Services for information regarding accommodations in the academic and/or employment setting. If you have a special need and require an auxiliary aide and/or service, please contact Student Services at (505) 662-5919.



# WELCOME BACK STUDENTS

Ring in the new semester with us!

**Tuesday, January 30**

10 AM - 2 PM @ Student Center



Enjoy a **FREE** hot chocolate bar, UNM-LA T-shirts, and snacks! We hope to see you all there!



**BE SURE TO ALSO CHECK OUT THE  
CIC MEET & GREET**

Lecture Hall ❄️ 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Grab some pizza and meet with local  
businesses offering Spring Internships!

# STUDENT SERVICES

Student Services is a central hub of information for prospective, current, and former students to find assistance and answers to questions about admissions, financial aid, registration, academic advising, career services, and other resources on campus.



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## Admissions

The Office of Admissions can help if you have questions or are ready to apply to UNM-Los Alamos. The Office of Admissions can provide application instructions for degree-seeking, non-degree, dual credit/concurrent, international, senior, or transfer students. Complete details can be found on the Admissions page: [losalamos.unm.edu/admissions](http://losalamos.unm.edu/admissions).

## Financial Aid

The Office of Financial Aid provides information on financial resources available to degree-seeking students. These resources may include scholarships, grants, and loans from the federal or state government, independent organizations, and/or UNM-LA itself. UNM-LA determines financial aid eligibility from the FAFSA, so please take time to file this document online every year. Don't assume you are ineligible—there are many opportunities to pursue.

## Enrollment Services

The Office of Enrollment Services at UNM-LA processes high school and other college transcripts for admissions and maintains transcripts of current and former students. The registrar can also answer questions about dual credit and concurrent enrollment, VA benefits, and graduation requirements.

## Academic Advising & Student Success

Academic advisors can provide guidance through the admission process, degree and course selection, and registration. Advisors also assist with changing a major, following up instructors' early alerts, filing graduation petitions, and planning for baccalaureate work. Advisors can also help resolve registration errors. Degree-seeking students must meet with an advisor before registering for each semester to check that their chosen classes will continue to make progress toward their degrees and to have their advising hold lifted. The Director of Student Affairs coordinates ADA accommodation services for students, and oversees academic advisement, student retention, and success initiatives.

## Career Services

Student Services offers career services to assist students with self-exploration, selecting a major, and opportunities for gaining experience in their chosen fields. Career services also include resume reviews, internship connections, job fairs, quantifying or translating skills, sharing job postings, and building connections between employers and our students.