Welcome International Students

UNM Global Education Office
INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENT ORIENTATION
WELCOME!!

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Dr. Cheo Torres
Vice President for Student Affairs
• Make new friends and start your support network now!
• Learn to be a self-advocate
• Take advantage of all of the great resources at UNM!!!
WHAT IF I TOLD YOU
YOU'RE NOT ALONE
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT UNM

New Students:
Admitted:
- 195 Grads
- 122 Undergrads
- 151 Exchange/ND
- 54 Intensive English

83 Majors
71 Countries

Current Students:
Approximately 1400
- 98 Countries
- Top 5 Countries Represented: China, India, Nepal, Iran, South Korea
DON’T BE THIS GUY
(ALL ALONE!!!)
START YOUR SUPPORT NETWORK NOW!
ICEBREAKER!!

Find a person you don’t know, who is not from your country: 
Tell them one thing you are really looking forward to about your UNM experience!

Find another person you don’t know, who is not from your country: 
Tell them one thing you really like about NM so far!
WELCOME!
Today’s presentation will be at geo.unm.edu
In the “Coming to UNM” section
GEO INFORMATION:

General Office Hours
Monday – Friday: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Phone Number: 277-4032
E-mail: geo@unm.edu
Web: geo.unm.edu
Facebook: UNM Global
Emergencies: 277-4GEO
INTERNATIONAL ADVISORS

Mark Cramer       Susan Brumbaugh       Carolyn Kaltenbach       Linda Melville

Email: iadvisor@unm.edu
Walk-in hours to talk to advisors:
Monday and Thursday, 10:00am – 12:00pm
Monday - Friday, 1:00pm – 3:00 pm
Otherwise by Appointment!
EXCHANGE ADVISORS

UNM COURSE ENROLLMENT AND HOUSING QUESTIONS, HOME UNIVERSITY COMMUNICATION, EXTENSIONS

David Wright  Anima Bista

Email: exchange@unm.edu
Walk-in hours to talk to advisors:
Monday - Friday, 1:00pm – 3:00 pm
GEO IS HERE TO HELP YOU:

• Maintain your legal non-immigrant status
• Identify campus resources
• Adjust to life in the U.S.

Facebook group: UNMGlobal
TODAY’S SCHEDULE
ON YOUR AGENDA!

- Immigration Rules, Other Laws and Work
- Healthcare and Health Insurance
- Academic Life

FREE LUNCH!!!

- Life in the US
- The Grey Area
- Check-In if you missed it
GEO REQUIREMENTS AFTER TODAY

• Complete Your Check-in Info with GEO:

Bring to GEO OR email to: iadvisor@unm.edu

All missing info (address, Health insurance, I-94, DS-2019)
GEO REQUIREMENTS AFTER TODAY

**BRING:**

- Passport
- I-94 showing F or J status (print at www.cbp.gov/I-94)
- DS-2019 form for J1
- “UNM Employment Verification Form” signed by your employer and by GEO verifying your permission to work
RED INFORMATION PACKETS

- Calendar of fun stuff for August!
- Fall calendar of events
- Lots of information about driver’s license, work and more!!!
GET INVOLVED!!!

A support network is critical to your success!

In your packet:

**Events:** Intlstud-I listserv OR "UNM GLOBAL" Facebook group

**Workshops:** academic success, work, culture, taxes and more!

**Volunteer:** Join the International Service Corps

**Trips:** Explore NM and the southwest!
TODAY: International Student Mixer BBQ@Casas del Rio, 4-6pm

Friday, 8/18
Library Tour
10-12:00 (meet at GEO)
Sandia Peak Trip
1:30-8 pm (Sign up at Johnson Gym or on line)

Saturday, 8/19
International Welcome Picnic, 1-4pm, NE of Duck Pond

Thursday, 8/24
Lobo Friend Meet-Up (6pm) La Posada Dining Hall
CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

All Trips: Sign up at Rec Services or online at: http://recsvcs.unm.edu/getaway/getaway.html
Link under “Purchase on-line” and “GEO Getaway”

Welcome Trip: Taos Trip
Last Weekend in August (26th and 27th)
Colorado:
Fall Break

Events advertised through the GEO listserve from geo@unm.edu and “UNM GLOBAL” Facebook

Workshop and immigration messages through iadvisor@unm.edu
STILL NEED HOUSING??

• Housing is still available on campus
• Off campus housing help is being provided by the ISI community group at the “BSU” at the corner of University Blvd and Martin Luther King (ask at lunch)
REGULATIONS AND RULES YOU NEED TO KNOW TO STAY IN LEGAL STATUS IN THE US
TOPICS

• Immigration
• Travel
• Other Rules and Laws
• Work
WHAT DO YOU ALREADY KNOW?

What document shows your current legal status in the US?
I-94

What do you need to travel out of the US and return as a student?
DS-2019 with signature, Visa, Passport

How long are you authorized to stay in the US as a student?
Duration of status (D/S)

What rules do you need to follow to be a student?
Enroll full-time, don’t let I-20/DS-2019 expire and no illegal work
WARNING!!!!!!

It is YOUR responsibility to know the rules!!

• Consequences for violations include deportation and inability to return to the US!

• Don’t let your friends be your immigration advisors!!!

• RULES CHANGE, SO PAY ATTENTION IF WE SEND YOU EMAIL WITH INSTRUCTIONS!
WARNINGS!!!!!!

- GEO MUST report to Immigration: your enrollment, change of address, change of major and level, drops below full-time
- So...YOU must inform us of address or program information changes and follow messages from our office carefully
- You won’t remember all the rules but when you forget, ask!!!!

Quiz with prizes coming up, so pay attention!!! AND Read along with your handout!
U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

• **DOS** = Department of State:
  Administers consulates and issues visas
  Also runs J1 program

• **DHS** = Department of Homeland Security:
  Responsible for US immigration rules and benefits
PARTS OF DHS

• **USCIS** = US Citizenship and Immigration Services: Processes applications and provides services to internationals in the US

• **ICE** = Immigration and Customs Enforcement: Enforces immigration regulations (tracks students)

• **CBP** = Customs and Border Patrol: Monitors ports of entry
STUDENT TRACKING PROGRAM

**SEVIS** = Student and Exchange Visitor Information System
Tracks international students and scholars

Schools must report information in SEVIS to be able to give DS-2019s