



President's Weekly Perspective

Good morning.

With the kickoff of the Fall 2013 semester here at UNM, the first week has confirmed once again that UNM is a University like no other – it is a city within a city. I have had the opportunity to witness and be a part of several exciting activities this past week. I especially enjoyed getting out and meeting so many of you during last Monday's ice cream social! Seeing the campus back in full swing is always one of my favorite parts of the year and this year was no exception.

Safety a Priority to a Growing Campus

UNM is a community of more than 40,000 people living, working and studying on campus. Our campus residents have nearly doubled in the past three years and we are in the heart of a bustling urban city. As the president of this university, and as one who also lives on campus with my family, I am committed to doing everything in my power to ensure that safety continues to be a top priority. To that end, the University has enacted several initiatives to enhance campus safety.

We have significantly increased our UNM police and security presence and patrols and, thanks to the efforts of last year's student leaders, we have been able to increase lighting on campus. In an effort to ensure that our police officers are able to serve the campus efficiently and respond to critical situations, we have instituted a new online mechanism for reporting [non-violent property crimes](#). Most recently, the [Sexual Assault Response Team \(SART\)](#) that was discussed earlier this year has been formed to provide [coordinated resources to victims of sexual assault](#). To keep apprised of updated initiatives and notifications, as well as find available campus resources, please visit the Campus Safety website.

A safe learning, living and working environment is absolutely essential to everything we talk about as being a transformational flagship research university, and UNM is committed to providing the best possible service at all times to this community. Your comments and concerns regarding any issue of public safety are always welcome.

Engineering Success

UNM has been an institution of transformation since its founding days, and our [Center for High Technology Materials \(CHTM\)](#) is an exemplary reflection of this spirit of innovation and discovery. CHTM enhances the interaction of the University with the national and federal laboratories and industrial organizations in New Mexico, and encourages the establishment of new industry in our state. Since it was founded by the State of New Mexico as a Center of Technical Excellence in 1983, the CHTM has built an internationally recognized, interdisciplinary program at UNM with over 425 MS/Ph.D. combined degrees awarded, and 199 Ph.D.s. CHTM has issued 134 U.S. patents, which have paved the way for entrepreneurship through a total of 12 spin-offs; has published over 2,000 refereed scientific articles; and has received \$188 million in research funding.

After 27 years of outstanding leadership as CHTM director, Distinguished Professor Steven R. J. Brueck is stepping down to devote more time to his research. I am pleased to announce that Professor Sanjay

Krishna has been appointed next Director of CHTM. I am confident that, working with the faculty, staff and students, Professor Krishna will extend the CHTM tradition of excellence. In honoring Professor Brueck, CHTM and STC.UNM are inviting the UNM community to a reception on Aug. 29, from 3-5 p.m. at CHTM. Please RSVP at [CHTM](#).

Show Your Lobo Spirit!

Fall means [Lobo Football](#), and I hope you will take the opportunity to see our team in action and join me in cheering them on to victory. The Lobo Football home opener is coming up on Saturday, Aug. 31 at 6 p.m. vs. the University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA). Eligible students can get FREE tickets to all football games by going to the UNM Bookstore Ticket Office or the Lobo Ticket Office in The Pit. There is also a [free game day student shuttle](#) that runs between campus and University Stadium. I would like to encourage all members of the UNM community to come out and loudly, proudly support Coach Davie and our Lobos.

At UNM we also have a strong tradition of donning cherry and silver or LoboWear on Fridays. To kick off the season's first Game Day Friday (GDF) on Aug. 30, the [UNM Bookstore](#) is hosting a live radio remote on 610 Sports Animal from 7 to 9 a.m. Please join us along with several UNM Athletics coaches that morning and enjoy our first GDF sale – 25 percent off all regularly priced LoboWear, spirit items and office supplies that have a Lobo logo. All students, alumni, staff, and fans can also show their support for the Lobos by wearing their Lobo gear during [College Colors Day](#) on Aug. 30 and by registering to vote for UNM as the school with the most college spirit and loyal fans.

Have a great week and Go Lobos!

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