



## PRESIDENT'S WEEKLY PERSPECTIVE

Good afternoon.

### UNM Budget Discussion

Given the significant impact of the recent legislative budget decisions, the UNM community is invited to an informal campus discussion with Provost Abdallah and me to discuss what this means for UNM's budget, and how we can best move forward. The discussion is scheduled for 12 to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 24, in SUB Ballroom A. For those who cannot attend, the event will be recorded and available online from [president.unm.edu](http://president.unm.edu) on Thursday.

### Lobo Day

This Sunday is UNM's 127th birthday. I encourage everyone to attend the [Lobo Day](#) celebration this Friday, Feb. 26, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the SUB Atrium. ASUNM Lobo Spirit has been gearing up for the event, working with University Communication & Marketing to incorporate the UNM brand concept that was presented last month. As always, Lobo Spirit will provide snacks and cake, and the annual atrium picture that hangs in the SUB throughout the year will be taken at noon. I hope you can join Louie, Lucy, and a couple hundred other Lobos to celebrate this exciting milestone.

### Graduate Student Commons

Graduate students will soon have a [dedicated study space](#) in Zimmerman Library, thanks to a partnership between GPSA and University Libraries. With funding from the New Mexico Legislature, and support of the Governor, the Graduate Student Commons has been renovated to cater to the graduate and professional student body. Please join me on Thursday, Feb. 25 at 3 p.m. on the first floor of Zimmerman Library, Room 102 near the south entrance of the library, for the grand opening of the Graduate Student Commons.

### UNM Alum to Share Entrepreneurial Story

It's always exciting to have our alums come back to share their success story and inspire the next generation of Lobos. Tim Villanueva, who received a BS in Computer Science from UNM, has utilized his understanding of software technology to reach his current position as Chief Technology Officer of Ask.com. Throughout his career, Tim has held a number of senior management roles at leading technology companies, such as Fundly, Inc., Kabam, Ustream.TV, and Yahoo!HotJobs.com. Tim will share his insight into the startup culture, the direction of the technology industry and share his personal recipe for success. This is a great opportunity, so [reserve your free ticket](#) to hear Tim on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Anderson School of Management's Jackson Student Center.

Have a great week and Go Lobos!

Bob