

From the President's Office

Dear Faculty, Staff, and Friends,

I want to remind everyone to please read through and become familiar with the HLC Assurance Document that is currently published on the NMSU-A website (<http://nmsua.edu/files/uploads/draft-assurance-argument-20160929.pdf>). This report contains the information that will be provided to the Higher Learning Commission for their site visit February 13th and 14th of next year. Thank you to Greg Hillis and Joyce Hill for their presentation last Friday on the process, next steps, and the HLC visitation. I also want to thank the writing team for their efforts in providing the content for this first draft and for the tedious proofreading that Mary Fechner has accomplished. As Greg and Joyce mentioned, please provide feedback to them concerning any part of the document that is not accurate or should be corrected by October 15th.

HLC Assurance Document Writing Team:

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Congratulations to Phi Theta Kappa, Student Services, and Student Government for hosting a very successful Fall 2016 "Eat and Complete". It is my understanding that the September 28th event drew the largest number of participants to date. I believe there were well over 90 students who took part in the festivities. It was nice to see the patio full of students, faculty, and staff. Special thanks goes to John Barnes for organizing such a nice activity for the students on our campus.

Thank you to all who participated in the 2016 Community College Roundup last weekend. I was sorry that I could not be there. I had a great time in Grants last year and was looking forward to the wonderful presentations by our faculty and staff. Thank you and congratulations to Kim Lopez-Gallagher, Sherrell Wheeler, Rob Klinger, and Sharon Jenkins for sharing their expertise with our branch campuses.

Have a wonderful October!

Dr. Ken Van Winkle
President
New Mexico State University Alamosordo



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Contact: NMSU-A Advisor
Holloman Education Office: 575-479-4318
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SAFETY

RATTLESNAKES PRESENT IN AREA

Rattlesnakes may be found on campus grounds and in parking lots. They are important members of this natural community. They will not attack, but if disturbed or cornered, they will defend themselves. Please be aware of your surroundings, and if you see any snakes, please give them space and respect.

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

FAFSA® Changes for 2017–18

On Sept. 14, 2015, President Obama announced significant changes to the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) process that will impact millions of students. Starting with the 2017–18 application cycle, the following changes will be put in place:

- **Students will be able to submit a FAFSA® earlier.** Students will be able to file a 2017–18 FAFSA as early as Oct. 1, 2016, rather than beginning on Jan. 1, 2017. The earlier submission date will be a permanent change, enabling students to complete and submit a FAFSA earlier every year. (There is NO CHANGE to the 2016–17 schedule. The FAFSA became available January 1 as in previous years.)
- **Students will use earlier income information.** Beginning with the 2017–18 FAFSA, students will be required to report income information from an earlier tax year. For example, on the 2017–18 FAFSA, students (and parents, as appropriate) will report their 2015 income information, rather than their 2016 income information.

P.E.O. Continuing Education Grant

One \$500 grant is awarded each fall and spring semester to a deserving student based on financial need, academic excellence and career goals.

Deadline date for Fall 2016 is Friday, October 7, 2016.

Applications available at the NMSU-A George Fettingger Student Services Building Financial Aid Office.

Scholar Dollar\$

Scholar Dollar\$ is the singular online scholarship application and awarding system for New Mexico State University. Students from any campus can apply for all NMSU scholarships.

Scholar Dollar\$ is open from October 1st to March 1st each year.

Applicants are encouraged to apply early and annually.

<https://scholarships.nmsu.edu/>

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LIBRARY?

Celebrate Disability Awareness Month with the library by checking out some of the material we have on display this month. Also, view the selected list of books from the link on our library home page <http://nmsua.edu/library>.



Tom Blessum, photographic artist and member of the Cloudcroft Art Society, will have artwork on display at the Townsend Library this month. Stop by and check it out!



Due to anticipated changes in workflow demands, we will require those of you who need Media services at the Townsend Library to please schedule your events a minimum of *two weeks* in advance. Please use the same form as before, but you must plan a bit farther ahead. You will also be able to reserve equipment through the same form with which you schedule an event. Thank you for your cooperation.

Food Truck Service

Chaos Bistro will be in the NMSU-A Faculty Parking Lot from 11am-2:30pm every Wednesday.

Be sure to check your email and our Facebook page for their weekly specials, and don't miss our live broadcast on Facebook every Wednesday morning at 11:45 announcing the NMSU-A special! It could be a free soda, a free lunch, a backpack, Aggie football tickets, or other great prizes! You don't have to be a student to participate, but you do have to Like and Follow the New Mexico State University Alamogordo Facebook page to know about the specials each week! Don't miss out!





INTRODUCTION TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACT ACCOUNTING

Thursday, October 13, 2016
Time: 8:00 am-12:00 pm

DOES YOUR BUSINESS PERFORM ON GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS?
DO YOU NEED INFORMATION ON DEVELOPING AN ACCOUNTING SYSTEM FOR CONTRACTING?

Workshop topics include:

- Overview of the Federal Marketplace and Procurement Process
- Establishing a Government Compliant Accounting System
- Allowable vs. Unallowable Costs
- Surviving Government Audits
- Question & Answer Session

Register Online: nmsbdc.org/Alamogordo/showevent.html,
by phone (575) 439-3660, or by email kat2@nmsu.edu

Location: New Mexico State University-Alamogordo
2400 North Scenic Drive
SBDC/Technical Education Bldg, Room 103
Alamogordo, NM

Hosted by the Alamogordo Small Business Development Center
and the New Mexico Procurement Assistance Program

Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities will be made if requested at least one week
in advance. For assistance, please contact the SBDC at (575) 439-3660.

MOSS ADAMS



Business Taxes Workshop

Thursday, October 27, 2016
10:00 am to 12:00 pm
FREE

Workshop Topics

- Overview of gross receipts tax
- Reporting gross receipts
- Non-taxable Transactions Certificates (NTTC)
- Unemployment tax
- Self-employed tax
- 1040 Estimated payment
- 1040 Schedule C

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New Mexico State University
Adult Education



Family Literacy Day 2016



BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS!

FUN ACTIVITIES!

GAMES!

PRIZES!

FOOD!

VENDORS!



AE provides assessment, High School Equivalency preparation, High School refresher classes, ELA and citizenship classes. The Adult Education Program offers classes at the Tays Center and Mesalero Employment Center. The TABE assessments and curriculum are used for preparing and teaching the students enrolled in our classes. The classes will run from January until May 2017.

Registration is required before entering into the classes. This applies to High School Equivalency, ELA (English Language Acquisition), Citizenship classes. To register, visit the Adult Education office located at the Tays Center or call (575) 439-3812.

October 5th, 2016, 4 to 6 p.m.

NMSU-A Adult Education
Tays Center
2400 N. Scenic
Contact abe@nmsu.edu
1-575-439-3812



NMSU-A Theatre on the Hill Presents

Steel Magnolias

By Robert Harling



November 11, 12, 18, 19 at 7:30 pm
November 20 at 2 pm

Rohovec Theatre on NMSU-A Campus
2400 North Scenic Drive, Alamogordo

Admission—\$8

Advance Tickets Available at The Blue Stone and Books
Revisited in the White Sands Mall

Call 439-3670 for more info.

**SOCIAL SCIENCE CLUB
COMMUNITY
FLEA MARKET
NMSU-A TAYS CENTER**



Date: 11/12/2016



Time: 8am - 2pm

- Rent a table from us and bring your items to one location to sell. (Cash Only)
 - 1 Table for \$5
 - 2 Tables for \$8



- Or come to one central location to shop.
- Refreshments will also be available for purchase.

Reserve early to secure your spot!



For more information contact:
Miguel at 439-3811 or by email at onastar@nmsu.edu
OR
Claire by email at cforsman@nmsu.edu



**2016 Holiday
Card Contest**

Go to www.nmsua.edu/holiday-card to review design rules and specifications

- All currently enrolled NMSU-A students are eligible to enter
- Submissions are limited to 1-3 entries per student
- Artwork must be submitted electronically and must include a completed Holiday Card Entry Form
- Submissions will depict or represent in some manner the region in which we live, and will have a winter-seasonal-holiday theme
- Submissions may include any medium (Painting, Photography,

DEADLINE 5pm Monday, October 24, 2016

Submit entries to
kpacelli@nmsu.edu

For more information, contact Katie Pacelli-Klinger at (575) 439-3729/
kpacelli@nmsu.edu or John Adams at (575) 439-3675/
jadams@nmsu.edu



NMSU-A Allied Health Wants YOU to Know :



The Flu Clinic sponsored by the Walgreens team was a huge

SUCCESS!!

Close to 90 NMSU-A students, faculty, and staff received their Flu Vaccines on

September 7, 2016.
Way to GO TEAM!!!!



Sponsored by the

Awesome Folks at Alamogordo's Walgreens

Thank YOU Walgreens TEAM for Supporting our Community!!!

**It's 2016!
Now is The Time...
Let Us Help Build Your Future**



New Mexico State University Alamogordo

Open House

Friday, October 7, 2016

**NMSU-A Campus
2400 N. Scenic Dr**

High School Juniors
& Seniors
9 am—11am

High School Freshmen
& Sophomores
1 pm—3 pm

Tour the campus; Visit with students; Meet faculty and staff;
Learn about our programs; Get information on Dual Credit,
admissions and advising, financial aid



NMSU-A Spotlight:

Allied Health Instructor, Jeffrey Eigenmann

NMSU-A Allied Health would like to introduce you to Jeffrey Eigenmann, who teaches Advanced First Aid, Basic Life Support, Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support, EMT-Basic, and EMT-Intermediate for NMSU-A. Jeff joined the Army at age 17 in his Junior year of high school. It was there that he first realized his interest in the medical field. During Jeff's senior year in high school, he started working evenings at the local hospital where he took his Basic EMT class. He graduated in May of 2001, just before the tragedy on September 11th. A few years later in 2005, Jeff earned his degree in Emergency Medical Science and became a Nationally Registered Paramedic. Soon after that, he went to work for BSA Hospital in Amarillo, TX. Since then, he has worked for HRMC Hospital and AMR. Jeff was FTO and EMS Educator for HRMC. During that time, he also taught BLS, ACLS and PALS classes for BSA Hospital and HRMC Hospital. Jeff is both a structural FFII and wildland FFI with many IFSAC endorsements. In 2013 he finished his Bachelor's in Biology and moved to New Mexico. Currently Jeff serves as the Site Manager for Sacramento Camp and Conference Center. He also volunteers at our local fire department where he fills the roles of EMS Director and Training Officer. Most recently, Jeff joined with NMSU-A to teach EMS-related courses in the Allied Health Department. Jeff states he finds it most rewarding and exciting to be in a position to further improve the EMS profession by producing the best EMTs in the region.



Academic Support Center

FALL 2016 HOURS

ascnmsua@nmsu.edu

testingnmsua@nmsu.edu

ASC:

(575) 439 – 3853

Testing Center:

(575) 439 – 3852

Mon: 9AM – 8PM

Mon: 9AM – 7PM

Tues: 9AM – 8PM

Tues: 9AM – 7PM

Wed: 9AM – 8PM

Wed: 9AM – 7PM

Thurs: 9AM – 8PM

Thurs: 9AM – 7PM

Fri: 9AM – 4PM

Fri: 9AM – 3PM

Sat: 9AM – 4PM

Sat: 9AM – 3PM

Sun: CLOSED

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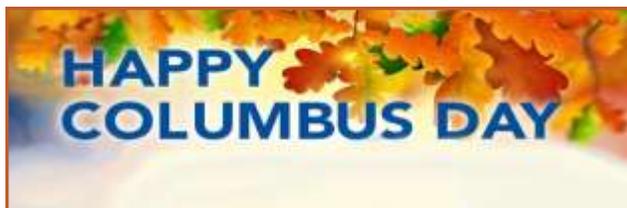
If you missed the excellent presentation on careers with the Securities Exchange Commission on September 20th, check out these links for more information about SEC internships and other job opportunities with the SEC.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SR-KyVGi32o>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HWgnlhTUjm4>

If you have any questions, please call Tim Wheeler at (575) 439-3726.

Campus will be open on Columbus Day and classes will be in session as scheduled.



AGGIE CUPBOARD ALAMOGORDO

Here is some "food" for thought:

Did you know Aggie Cupboard Alamogordo distributes food all year? So far in 2016, 101 food distributions have helped NMSU-A students, faculty and staff in need. This amounts to more than \$1500 in food and is done only through the generous donations of food and cash by the NMSU-A and Alamogordo communities.

Each distribution includes:

1 can of soup

1 can of fruit

2 cans of vegetables

1 can of pasta/tomato sauce

1 can of beans

2 to 3 pounds of dry pasta, beans or rice

15 ounces of tuna/chicken or 20 to 30 ounces of peanut butter

3 or 4 other items that we have available

Your donations are greatly appreciated but, as you might imagine, it doesn't take long to deplete our shelves.

We are in great need of packages of dry pasta, rice and beans and canned tomato/pasta sauce and peanut butter. We can also always use canned soups, fruit, vegetables, chicken, and tuna. All items need to have a "use by" or "best by" date in the future. We also accept cash donations through the NMSU-A Foundation which can easily be made by contacting Mary Fehner at (575) 439-3696.

Please do what you can to help.

The next Aggie Cupboard Alamogordo food distribution will be at the Tays Center Kitchen located near Adult Education:

- Tuesday, October 25th from 4pm to 6 pm
- Wednesday, October 26th from 4pm to 6 pm

Distribution is open to any NMSU-A or NMSU student or employee who has an NMSU-A ID number. Anyone receiving food will need to complete a short information card with their name, ID number, and any food restrictions or allergies. You may also provide constructive comments to help the pantry improve.

For more information, contact Greg Hillis at (575) 439-3624.



If you have an article, story, or photo you would like to share in the Campus Connection Newsletter, please send it to Katie Pacelli-Klinger at kpacelli@nmsu.edu or call (575) 439-3729. Don't forget to Like and Follow the New Mexico State University Alamogordo Facebook Page and @NMSU on Twitter!

