

UNM-Gallup to host diversity conference

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UNM-Gallup will host the 3rd Annual New Mexico Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Summit on April 20 - 21, 2016. The purpose of this conference, which is open to the public and free of charge, is to initiate discussions about how New Mexico's institutions of higher education can best serve increasingly diverse student populations.

Conference attendees will have the chance to engage in conversations, listen to speakers who are experts in the field, and participate in events aimed at promoting diversity and equality.

The summit begins at 8:30 am April 20 with registration and a continental breakfast followed by a welcome address from UNM-Gallup Chief Executive Officer Dr. Christopher Dyer.

The keynote speaker for the first day will be Dr. Jordan Johnson, Coordinator for McKinley County Place Matters.

After a variety of breakout sessions, Dr. Eliseo "Cheo" Torres, UNM Vice President for Student Affairs, will lead a session on the "Ancient Art of Curanderismo."

Dr. Jozi De Leon, UNM's Vice President for Equity and Inclusion, will be the keynote speaker for the second day of the conference followed by a panel discussion on Community Activism.

Day 2 will also include a student and faculty panel discussing Student Learning Styles. Dr. Jordan Johnson notes, "This is a great opportunity to come together and have some critical

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conversations to advance and uplift our students, educators and community.” To register and view a full agenda please visit: www.gallup.unm.edu/diversity .

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