



The latest news from Luna Community College

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The City of Las Vegas' Public Works Department recently placed a Luna registration banner on National Ave. Luna's summer semester begins on Monday, June 6 and the last day to register is Friday, June 17. For more summer semester information, please visit luna.edu or call 505-454-2500.

Film Technician Certificate Program beginning at Luna in the fall

Luna Community College is starting a Film Technician Certificate Program in the fall of 2022. The one-year program will prepare students for entry-level jobs in the crafts and skills sector of the film industry.

The program is divided into three modules: Module I will be taught in Luna's main campus in Las Vegas and includes courses covering film set etiquette, nomenclature and terminology, film history, equipment handling and OSHA safety rules.

Module II is an internship to develop more hands-on experience, and will be taught in Albuquerque. Module III includes paid apprenticeships on a qualified

media production shooting in New Mexico.

Students who complete the program will earn an industry-standard, union-supported, highly specialized education in a chosen craft.

Luna's program is part of New Mexico's Next Generation Media Academy which will be working with the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees to develop straight forward paths to IA-TSE Local 480 membership for students.

For more information, e-mail jhunyadi@luna.edu or call 505-454-2557.



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How to register for classes



If you are a first-year student at Luna, you can apply online at [Apply Now](#) or contact the admissions office via telephone, e-mail or in person and complete the admissions process. After you have been admitted, please contact the Student Success Center, also via telephone, e-mail or in person, for registration and the Accuplacer. Telephone numbers are listed below.

If you are a returning student, you can register online through your portal.

For advisement about the courses to take in your program, please contact a student support specialist or your faculty advisor.

If you have declared a major, please contact the student support specialists or your faculty advisor. If you have not declared a major, are a transfer student or are a first-time freshman, please contact the Student Success Center. No answer? Leave a clear message with your name and telephone number. An advisor may be busy assisting another student but will return your call as soon as possible.

Student Support Specialist for all programs, Daniel Kelly	505-454-2509	dkelly@luna.edu
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Summer semester 2022 important dates

Registration for summer 2022 term begins	Wednesday, April 27, 2022
Memorial Day, Campus Closed	Monday, May 30, 2022
Classes begin	Monday, June 6, 2022
Late registration period	Monday, June 6 through Friday, June 17, 2022
Last day to add courses	Friday, June 17, 2022
Last day to drop without a grade	Friday, June 17, 2022
Deadline to change from audit to credit	Friday, June 17, 2022
Deadline to change from credit to audit	Friday, June 17, 2022
Last day to withdraw from full-term classes	Friday, July 8, 2022
Final exam week	Monday, July 25, to Friday, July 29, 2022
Semester ends	Friday, July 29, 2022
Final grades due by faculty to registrar	Monday, August 1, 2022
Final grades available to students	Thursday, August 4, 2022

How to order books

Visit the Luna online bookstore at bookstore.mbsdirect.net/luna.htm. Select your courses from your schedule. View your course materials and select your preferred format. Check out. Select Guaranteed Buyback titles and save up to 70 percent off your course materials. Our customer contact center is open 24/7, ready to take your order or answer your questions. Call 1-800-325-3252 or e-mail customerservice@mbsdirect.net.

Student payment options

By phone with a debit/credit card: You may leave a message at 505-454-2506 or e-mail fiscaloffice@luna.edu with your name, ID number and a callback number. Your call will be returned, and someone will assist you in processing the payment. You may also visit the fiscal office on campus and pay with a check, money order, debit or credit card.

By mail with check/money order (payable to Luna Community College): Students can mail their payments to

Luna Community College
c/o Business Office
366 Luna Drive
Las Vegas, NM 87701

(Be sure to include your name and ID number)

Please remember disenrollment will take place if you do not make arrangements. Summer disenrollment take place at 5 p.m. on June 16.

Note: Luna summer classes are scheduled to begin online.

Rick Baca says he likes daily interaction with students, staff

The following is a one-on-one interview with Luna's Rick Baca.

Name: Rick Baca

Position: Humanities faculty.

What year did you start working for Luna?

2017

What do you like most about Luna and why?

I look forward to my daily interactions with the students, faculty, and staff. It is exciting to hear their stories of growing up in New Mexico and the connections to their families, especially to their grandparents.

What does your job entail; what does a day at Luna look like for you? I assist STEM and Humanities Director Francisco Apodaca in the day-to-day operations of the humanities department, involving committee work, lesson planning, and answering faculty and student questions. Working with James Hunyadi, Francisco Apodaca, Dr. Dani Day, and President Martinez to develop a "Career in a Year" Film Technician Certificate to start in the fall of 2022 which is supported by Governor Lujan-Grisham, the New Mexico Film Office, and the New Mexico Economic Development Department.

Favorite food and why? Ground Beef, Spicy Red Chili Enchiladas, light on the cheese, with a medium over-easy fried egg with homemade pinto beans. That's how mom used to make them. And sopapillas.

Favorite TV show and why? Netflix. Outer Range. Solid writing and acting. Most of it was filmed in Las Vegas, N.M. and surrounding areas. Josh Brolin is the lead actor. It is a thriller with a sci-fi slant.

Where would you like to see yourself in five years? My goal is to advance my training as a



Rick Baca (with the sunglasses and dressed in black) recently took a trip to Isotopes Park with his students.

Google Certified Educator. To continue to teach until I'm 100. Several role models are my inspiration to keep teaching at a high level of relevancy, as they've demonstrated to me their joy of teaching. I'm astounded at what my students have taught me through classroom discussion with their digital writing and projects.

What is your greatest strength? Staying positive

through life's peaks and valleys, while occasionally challenging, carries more assets than liabilities.

What would you consider your biggest accomplishment in life and why? Being blessed to have a daughter and son, and a grandfather to 3-year-old Jade Nightingale Baca.

What do you consider a good day in your life? Waking up in the morning.

What do you enjoy doing outside of working at Luna? Sightseeing throughout New Mexico. Included in my favorite spots is to visit Fort Union because of its history, driving the old Tucumcari Road for its scenic view, visiting the Santuario de Chimayo for its spirituality, and driving to Santa Rosa to visit family and friends, and to chill at its bodies of water.

Any final comments? I'm excited to be a full-time faculty member at Luna College. Another goal is to provide the student with the most relevant learning experience possible, using educational technologies as a tool to advance the student's communication, critical thinking, collaboration, and creative skills. Lastly, being grateful for a second life. I almost didn't make it through the first one.



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Don't miss out on Summer '22 at Luna Community College!

Summer 2022 REGISTRATION is open, classes start JUNE 6 and the last day to register is JUNE 17!

Tuition rates rate among the best values in the nation; additional course fees may apply. .

Visit LUNA.edu for details, or call 505-454-2500 or 1-800-588-7232.



A photograph of a man in a graduation cap and gown, smiling broadly while holding a young girl. The girl is also smiling and looking towards the man. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with trees and other graduates.

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Scholarships are available if you are an established New Mexico resident.

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Luna nursing students recently took their final examinations at Highlands University. Luna would like to thank Highlands for the use of their campus over the last month.

As a reminder, the next TEAS Exam will be at 1 p.m. on Monday, June 6 in Room 320 at the Student Union Building.

All that is required is a fully charged laptop. Please arrive 15 minutes early and Yvonne Piña, Luna nursing success coach, will provide scratch paper and pencils as well as a couple of laptops

Please email Piña at ypina@luna.edu to sign up and request a laptop. She will need a phone number and a student ID number.

Luna's administration, support services building open

Due to the fire danger, Luna's main campus has been working virtually for over a month. However, cleaning crews have been working diligently to make Luna safe.

As of Monday, June 6, both the Maria H. Paiz Administration Building and the Student Support Services Building are ready for occupancy. Luna employees who work in either of these buildings can report to their offices.

The other buildings around campus are be-

ing worked on and Luna will let everyone know when they are ready.

Luna would like to thank everyone for their patience. Please stay safe.

Note: Luna will be starting its summer semester on Monday, June 6, remotely. The last day to register will be Friday, June 17. The college will inform everyone as information is updated.