

# March 24-28, 2025

Week 10 of the Spring, 2025 Semester What's Happening at LUNA...



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# **Important Dates**

• April 1, 2025 – LANL Career Pathways Scholarship Applications are due.

"If you believe you can or can't, either way, you're right," – Henry Ford

# **ACE Lab Spring Tutoring Schedule**

The Ace Lab is open and running. Tutors are available for all areas!

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### **Human Resources Announcement**

Luna Community College is now hiring for several open positions! If you or someone you know is interested in joining a dynamic team dedicated to student and institutional success, we invite you to explore the opportunities available. For more information on available roles and application instructions, please visit the links below.

Business Manager - Finance &

**Administration**: <a href="https://chess.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/LCCJobs/job/LCC-Main-campus/Business-Manager---Finance---Administration">https://chess.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/LCCJobs/job/LCC-Main-campus/Business-Manager---Finance---Administration</a> JR108281

Associate Vice President of Student

**Services**: <a href="https://chess.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/LCCJobs/job/LCC-Main-Campus/Associate-Vice-President-of-Student-Services\_JR108264">https://chess.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/LCCJobs/job/LCC-Main-Campus/Associate-Vice-President-of-Student-Services\_JR108264</a>

Marketing & Communications

**Manager**: <a href="https://chess.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/LCCJobs/job/LCC-Main-Campus/Marketing-and-Communications-Manager">https://chess.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/LCCJobs/job/LCC-Main-Campus/Marketing-and-Communications-Manager</a> JR107696

If you have any questions or need further assistance, feel free to contact us at **humanresources@luna.edu**. We look forward to hearing from you



- AS PART OF THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

   BETWEEN LCC AND NMHU THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS

   ARE AVAILABLE TO YOU AS A STUDENT.
- THE CENTER FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & CAREER READINESS
- ACCESS TO THE FOLLOWING:
- NMHU RESIDENCE HALLS AND CAFETERIA
- NMHU EVENTS AND PROGRAMMING (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ARTS @ NMHU CONCERTS)
- NMHU RECREATIONAL FACILITIES INCLUDING THE MELODY FITNESS CENTER
- NMHU'S HEALTH CLINIC FOR NON-EMERGENT MEDICAL
   AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE
- EQUIPMENT CHECKOUT FROM THE NMHU OUTDOOR
   RECREATION CENTER
- HU CARES HEALTH EDUCATION AND WELLNESS PROGRAM.

#### Wildfire Season Preparedness

#### From the Wildfire Resiliency Training Center

This spring and summer are shaping up to be potentially very active. Dry, warm winter coupled with unusually high spring winds and temperatures as well as low relative humidity all point toward a possible active wildfire season.

There are dozens upon dozens of websites and agency recommendations. Which ones should we follow? Which ones might we question. Here at the WRTC, our recommendations are based upon years of scientific research including laboratory analyses, actual live burn research in the field, hundreds and hundreds of post-fire investigations and measurements, and interviews with homeowners and evacuees.

This research has shown how wildfire behaves, especially in relationship to homes, structures, topography, vegetation and weather. Here are some tips and information to help with your wildfire preparedness:

- Most homes/structures are ignited by embers, not large flames. Harden your home against ember "attack" by covering/screening vents and roof openings, move flammable debris such as leaves and pine needles from wooden decks and stairs. Trim or rake dry/dead vegetation near the structures. This creates a "survivable" space for your home.
- Prepare an evacuation plan. Have items such as documents, medicines, and keepsakes ready to put in your vehicle quickly. Have the same plan for your pets as well!
- When you're preparing to evacuate, close windows, doors garages. Don't worry about removing window treatments or moving furniture away from walls...you don't need to do this.
- Most civilian injuries and accidents in wildfire occur during evacuation. Prepare and leave early. Once in a safe area, then contact family and friends.
- Again, by following these guidelines, you are creating a "survivable" space (one
  in which your home has a better likelihood of surviving on its own. Creating a
  "defensible" space infers that responders will move into the path of the fire and
  defend your home. This is highly unlikely due to life safety and limited resources
  in active wildfire.
- Preparedness includes some common yard work, cleaning gutters, preventing ember entry and being ready to evacuate promptly.

For more information and guidance, contact the Wildfire Resiliency Training Center (WRTC) at Luna Community College. Go to Luna.edu and click on the WRTC Class schedule.

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# **Student Nursing Association Fund Raiser**

SNA Members still have a few tickets left. Those interested in the breakfast can also show up to the breakfast on Saturday April 5th and let the Person in charge of tickets know they are there to support SNA and we will receive credit for the ticket sale..

Thank you so much.

Valerie Montoya BSN RN

Nursing Instructor

Student Nurse Association Advisor

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# **Opportunity for Students**

The following five pages of information pertain to webinars for degree -seeking students only. Qualifying students can get compensated for attending any of the following webinars (we realize a few of them are over, but many are still upcoming). Note: Students can only attend and earn credit for a maximum of three webinars. Students can choose any three webinars to attend. They will also need to complete other requirements required by the webinar host in order to get compensated from the NMB2B NSF grant.

## Qualifying students earn:

- 1. \$200 stipend per webinar. Limit is three
- 2. Students will be sent the Zoom link for each webinar they select after they register and complete the pre-survey.
- 3. Webinars are offered twice per week. Students only need to attend one of their desired sessions.

Apparently, the QR code for the webinar series for students that appears here is not working.

Here is the link to do a Pre-Survey. Once that is done, students will be able to attend the webinars of their

choice. Here is the link for the webinar <a href="NMSU NMB2B Webinars Spring">NMSU NMB2B Webinars Spring</a>
<a href="2025">2025</a>
Students can also copy and

paste the following web

address <a href="https://ccanmsu.iad1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV">https://ccanmsu.iad1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV</a> bqHBFeyZrwg0W10?Q</a> CHL=qr

Students who attend the webinars will have their name, email address, and student ID number recorded for

attendance purposes. Geno Castillo will then request a report of which students attended and completed the

webinar, and this information will be used to determine the amount of money each student earned. The

students will receive a check from the Luna business office. Once again, these webinars are ONLY for degree-seeking

students in any discipline here at Luna.

### **About Our Program**

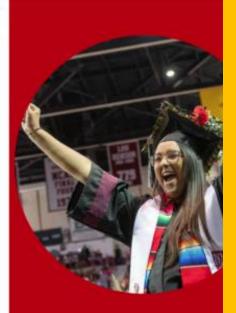
The New Mexico Bridge to Baccalaureate Alliance supports your journey from community college to a four-year university.

Led by Doña Ana Community College, we partner with community colleges across the state to help you connect, find mentorship, and access opportunities in STEM fields for a successful transfer.

## **Mission Statement**

The New Mexico Bridge to Baccalaureate Alliance fosters mentorship through collaboration and high-impact practices.

NMB2B supports community college students seeking to transfer to four-year universities in a STEMrelated pathway.



# Are You Ready to Succeed?

Empowering Connections, Mentorship, and Research Opportunities for Your Future.



# Why Us?

- Connect with dedicated mentors
- Engaging, useful workshops
- Transition with confidence!

This program is supported by the National Science Foundation under Award 2409217.



Louis Stokes B2B Alliance: New Mexico Bridge to the Baccalaureate (NMB2B)



2800 Sonoma Ranch Blvd. Las Cruces, NM 88011

# **Contact Us**

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# Meet Our Student Peer Mentors!



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Meet

our

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#### New Mexico Bridge to Baccalaureate

### Spring 2025 Webinar Series



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# #5: Building Relationships with Professors and Advisors

Tuesday, April 1, 2025 12 noon – 1:00 pm Friday, April 4, 2025 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Moderators: Summer Divine-Ramos, Edgar Lira, and Avery Legarreta

Your professors and advisors can be some of the most valuable resources on your journey to earning a STEM degree, especially as a transfer student. In this webinar, we'll discuss how to build meaningful relationships with them to support your academic and career goals. You'll learn practical tips for connecting with professors during office hours, asking for guidance, and seeking mentorship in your STEM field. We'll also explore how advisors can help you navigate course planning, transfer requirements, and career preparation, ensuring you stay on track for success.

Strong relationships with faculty and advisors can open doors to research opportunities, recommendation letters, and professional networking connections. Whether you're unsure how to approach a professor or want to make the most of your advising appointments, this webinar is here to guide you. Join us for an encouraging and informative session that will help you feel confident reaching out, asking questions, and building a supportive network as you transition to a 4-year university.

# #6: How to Maximize Your Transfer Credits

Wednesday, April 9, 2025 10:30 am - 11:30 am Friday, April 11, 2025 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Moderator: Emily Hervol and Jonathan Esparza

Transferring to a 4-year university is an exciting step, but making sure your hard-earned credits transfer smoothly is key to staying on track for your STEM degree. This webinar will guide you through the process of maximizing your transfer credits to save time and money. We'll discuss how to research transfer agreements, understand course equivalencies, and ensure your community college courses align with the requirements of your future university. You'll also gain tips on advocating for yourself when resolving transfer credit issues and how to avoid taking unnecessary classes.

By the end of this session, you'll feel empowered to make informed decisions about your course selection and transfer process. We'll share real-life examples of students who successfully transferred and minimized credit loss, giving you practical insights to apply to your own journey. Whether you're just starting to plan or are preparing to transfer soon, this webinar will provide the guidance and encouragement you need to make the most of your academic efforts.

### New Mexico Bridge to Baccalaureate

### Spring 2025 Webinar Series



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# #7: Student Success Stories

Monday, April 14, 2024 12 noon – 1:00 pm Thursday, April 17, 2024 10:30 am – 11:30 am

Moderator: Emily Hervol, Edgar Lira, and Jonathan Esparza

Being the first can sometimes be scary such as being the first in your family to transfer to a 4-year university, don't feel that you're alone. Come and hear from students who've successfully navigated the transfer process. In this webinar, we'll share powerful success stories from students just like you—community college students who overcame challenges, built strong academic foundations, and thrived at their 4-year universities. From navigating transfer requirements to excelling in STEM programs, these students will share their experiences, strategies, and lessons learned along the way.

This session is designed to motivate and encourage you by showing that your goals are achievable with the right mindset and support. You'll gain valuable insights into how they made the most of their community college experience, sought out resources, and took advantage of opportunities to advance their academic and career aspirations. Join us to feel inspired, empowered, and ready to write your own success story as you prepare for this exciting new chapter in your STEM journey!

# #8: Opportunities with the New Mexico Alliance for Minority Participation (NM AMP)

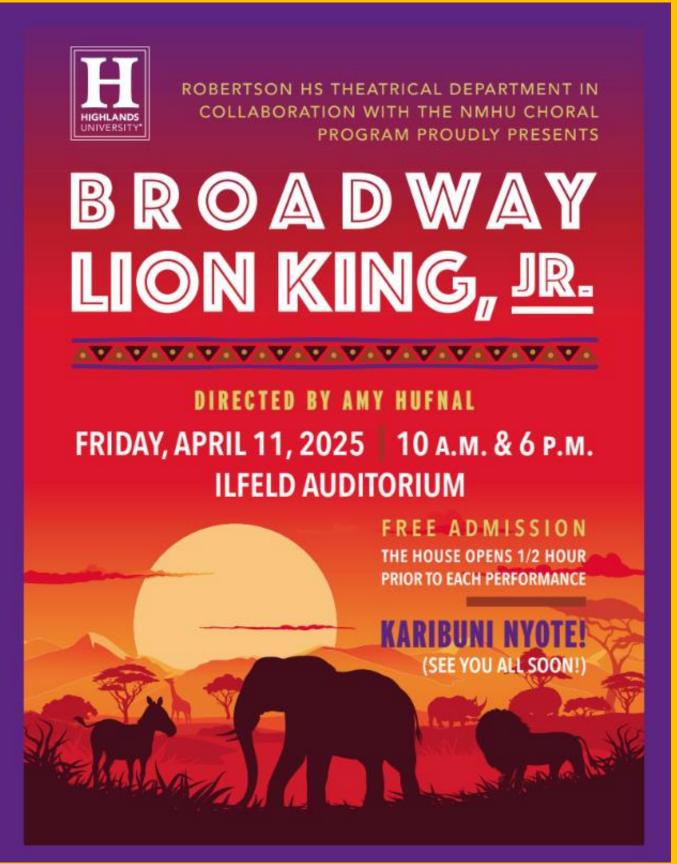
Tuesday, April 22, 2025 12 noon – 1:00 pm Friday, April 25, 2025 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Moderators: Jo Latorre and Summer Divine-Ramos

Are you considering transferring to a four-year university in a STEM field after graduation? Join us for an informative webinar about The New Mexico Alliance for Minority Participation (NM AMP) and discover the amazing opportunities designed to help you succeed along your academic and research journey. Whether you're looking for research experience, financial support, or a strong STEM community, we're here to help you!

New Mexico AMP is a welcoming network of universities and colleges committed to increasing the number of underrepresented minority students earning B.S. degrees in STEM disciplines. NM AMP supports targeted students through a broad range of activities, including the Summer Community College Opportunity for Research Experience (SCCORE), the New Mexico AMP Transfer Stipend, and an annual Student Research Conference. Don't miss this chance to learn how we can support your journey — your future in STEM starts here!

# **Mark Your Calendars**



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Announcing the annual <u>NM Mission of Mercy Denture Clinic</u>! This is a free twoday clinic, offered in collaboration with the Global Denture Alliance and the New Mexico Dental Association. Dentures are provided at **no cost** to low income New Mexicans who cannot access and/or afford care. This event is completely volunteerdriven and is possible because of the generous support of the sponsors and volunteers.

When: April 4 - 5, 2025 By Appointment Only

Where: Los Padillas Community Center in Albuquerque, NM

To participate in the Denture Clinic, patients must be low income and denture ready. Once your <u>application</u> is submitted you will be contacted to verify qualifications and schedule an appointment.

If you have questions or need help, contact us at <a href="mailto:nmmom2@nmdaf.org">nmmom2@nmdaf.org</a> or 505-298-7206 ext. 203

The New Mexico Dental Association Foundation is committed to the safety of patients and volunteers and is closely monitoring all federal, state and local COVID-19 guidelines and recommendations from the American Dental Association.



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# **Scholarship Opportunity**



# Launch Your Future with a Career Pathways Scholarship!

Are you currently pursuing or thinking of pursuing a 2-year degree, certificate, or trade? You may qualify for our Career Pathways Scholarship!

# **Apply by April 1st!**



\$750 per semester (up to \$3,000 total)

Renewable with good academic standing and progress toward completion



### Eligibility

- Enrolled or planning to enroll in a two-year degree or certificate program
- Permanent resident of Northern New Mexico (Los Alamos, Mora, Rio Arriba, San Miguel, Sandoval, Santa Fe, or Taos counties) for 366+ days
- High school diploma, GED/HSE graduate, or high school senior on track to graduate



lanifoundation org/ scholarship



# Qualifying career paths include:

- Skilled trades welding, plumbing, Automotive, Electrical Technology
- Healthcare and Emergency Medical Services
- Early Childhood Education
- Dental Health and Assisting
- STEM Degrees
- Business Administration ... and more!



# Nursing - Time for TEAS

# NOW ONLINE!

# take on the the TEAS!

FREE workshops to help prepare you for the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) are now being offered at Luna Community College. Contact Vanessa Torres, vatorres@luna.edu or 505-454-2525, to sign up or to get more information.

# Workshop schedule



Free TEAS prep Workshops

NOW ONLINE; E-MAIL FOR DETAILS OR TO SIGN UP



WORKSHOP TOPIC
Intro 8 pre-test
Reading 8 English
Anatomy 8 Physiology
March 26/5:30 pm
Math
March 31/5:30 pm
Science
April 2/5:30 pm
Conclusion
April 3/5:30 pm

# Take all six free workshops, and receive a free TEAS Exam!\*

\* All workshop, quizzes and pre/post-tests must be completed in order to be eligible. Limit one free TEAS fee waiver per participant. Contact LCC Nursing Department for details.



# SPRING 2025 TEAS Exam Schedule

#### April 2025

Tuesday 1 @ 1:30 pm Thursday 3 @ 9:00 am Friday 11 @ 1:30 pm Thursday 24 @ 9:00 am Tuesday 29 @ 1:30 pm

#### May 2025

Thursday 1 @ 1:30 pm Thursday 15 @ 9:00 am Friday 16 @ 1:30 pm Monday 19 @ 1:30 pm Tuesday 20 @ 1:30 pm Thursday 22 @ 1:30 pm Friday 23 @ 9:00 am Tuesday 27 @ 9:00 am Thursday 29 @ 9:00 am Friday 30 @ 1:30 pm

Students can contact Sandra Sanchez via email at <a href="mailto:sasanchez@luna.edu">sasanchez@luna.edu</a> or call 505-454-2526 (ext. 1816) to sign up for a test date. Please provide student ID number, phone number, and exam date in the email.

Students should create an account with ATI prior to the exam date (if you do not already have an account set up). To create an account, go to <a href="www.atitesting.com">www.atitesting.com</a> click on Create Account next to Log In. (Use Luna CC ADN for institution and estimated graduation date of 5/10/2027.) Please use your Luna email to set up ATI account.

On the day of your exam, please arrive 10 minutes early\* to log in and purchase the exam. The cost of the exam is \$70. You will need to bring a debit/credit card to purchase the exam and a photo ID for identification verification. No food or drinks are permitted in the testing site. A calculator is available in ATI and the proctor will provide paper and pencils for use during the exam. All materials will be collected by the proctor before you leave the exam site.

\*There will be no late admission into the testing area.

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# TEAS

ursing school entrance exam

# **April 2025 dates**

### Scheduling for the following dates is taking place now.

**Contact: Sandra Sanchez** Tuesday, April 1 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 3 9:00 a.m. Friday April 11 1:30 p.m. **Thursday April 24** 9:00 a.m.

Passing TEAS score is 58.7% overall or higher. There are Tuesday, April 29 1:30 p.m. 24 slots available for qualified applicants for admission in Fall 2025.

Please provide student ID number, phone number, and exam date in the e-mail.

You have up to three attempts per academic year to pass the exam; the fee for each attempt is \$70.

You're advised to set up an account with ATI prior to the exam date; go to atitesting.com, click on Create Account. Use Luna CC ADN for institution, with estimated graduation date of 5/10/2027.



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### **Luna Strong**

# **Timely Care**

- Did you know that Luna Community College students, staff and faculty get free, virtual care through the TimelyCare app? That's right! You can access free virtual health and well-being support, as well as self-care content, anytime. Signing up is easy. All you have to do is:
- Download the TimelyCare app or visit timelycare.com/Luna on your webenabled device.
- Sign in with your school .edu email address.
- Create a profile.
- And that's it! You can start a visit or go to the Self-Care tab on the TimelyCare app for on demand self-care content, including yoga and meditation sessions or scan the QR code.



Have questions? Visit timelycare.com/Luna to get started, or call 1-833-4-TIMELY.

### Classifieds

For those with something to buy, sell, or give away.

- Need manure or straw for compost? I have used straw mixed with horse, chicken, and duck manure, free to anyone who wants to pick some up. Please text me, as we don't have a very good cell signal at our place. Sarah Obermeyer (from CCRI) 219.484.6792.

## Las Vegas Community Events

To learn more about the many community events happening in Las Vegas currently and in the future, visit https://www.plug.events/space/-/las-vegas-newmexico-united-states/events and sign up for notifications.

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### Reminders

- All committees, departments, and individuals with information to share are encouraged to send their knowledge to sgoodyear@luna.edu each week by 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday (unless otherwise noted) for inclusion in the week's update. If you miss a deadline, don't worry, your information will be included in the following week's update provided it is still timely. When possible, your information should be in tidy bullet points that can easily be added to the basic update format. It is also helpful if you respond to the request for information for the week of the update in the reminder email that was sent out, as it makes it easier for me to find and include what you send in the update. Please submit any pictures in the form of jpegs.
- Things to consider contributing: News about your departments; community event flyers, news regarding personal triumphs and achievements; classified ads, cool, beautiful, or unusual photos you took and want to share among other things.
- Thanks to all who shared information for this week's edition of "What's Happening at Luna."
- If you missed an edition of "What's Happening at Luna," find it here: https://luna.edu/whats happening.

Have a Wonderful Long Weekend, Everyone!