



March 10-14, 2025

Spring Break

What's Happening at LUNA...



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Important Dates:

- March 10-14 – Spring Break for all Luna faculty and students.
  - March 13 & 14 – Spring Break for all Luna staff.
  - March 17-21, 2025 - Beginning of week 9 for 16-week classes, and beginning of 2nd half of the semester eight-week classes, so sign up now if you haven't already!
  - March 17 – St. Patrick's Day
  - March 20, 2025 - Next CPR/First Aid Certification course for Luna Employees. Please email Karen Wezwick at [kwezwick@luna.edu](mailto:kwezwick@luna.edu) to sign up.
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Facebook

Visit our Facebook page here: <https://www.facebook.com/LunaCommunityCollege>.  
If you have fliers or information you wanted posted on Facebook, please email it to [sgoodyear@luna.edu](mailto:sgoodyear@luna.edu).

Linked-In

Visit our Linked-In page here: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/luna-community-college-nm/?viewAsMember=true>

Watch the March Luna Board Meeting Here:

Part 1

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Czf5KoyP-10>

Part 2

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yA5uWJzRU7I>

## Welcome to Luna's New Hires

- David Sewell, Springer After-School Program Piano Teacher
- John Trujillo, Work Study, Nursing
- Irma Shrum, Clinical Instructor, Nursing
- April Sandoval, Administrative Assistant, Facilities
- Terrence Lotts, Human Resources Director
- Rachael Lucero, Registrar
- Sierra Fernandez, HLC Focus Visit Project Manager
- Jessica Garcia, Accounts Receivable
- Sierra Chavez, Financial Aid Administrator

## Luna Foundation Scholarships Awarded

Lawrence Quintana announced the winners of this semester's Foundation Scholarship recipients during the Tuesday, March 11, 2025 Board Meeting. Quintana said there were 32 applicants altogether with 28 of those individuals receiving a scholarship. The breakdown of scholarships was 12 to Nursing; 1 to Pre-engineering, 1 to Criminal Justice, 6 to Cosmetology, 1 to Business Administration, 2 to Allied Health, 1 to AA liberal arts, and 4 to automotive. Each student earned a \$500.00 Foundation Scholarship, with all 12 nursing students receiving an additional \$250.00 from the Helen O'Brien Fund which is specifically for nursing students. Congratulations to all the recipients, and thanks to everyone who donates time, money, and services to the Luna Foundation – without you, these scholarships would not be possible!

## Quotable Quotes

“‘Can’t’ is a bad word” - Alicia Chacon as shared by Rachael Lucero

“If ‘can’t is a bad word, ‘won’t’ is even worse” – Loretta Montoya

“We’re all fine. We’re just a little bit different.” – Dr. Phyllis Martinez, Luna Board Chair to new hire, Terrence Lotts when describing the culture shock someone new to the area might experience.

**Because of you, life doesn't stop.**



## Luna Community College

**BLOOD  
DRIVE**

**Friday, March 28, 2025  
9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Campus Cafeteria  
366 Luna Drive  
Las Vegas, NM 87701



When you give blood, you're giving patients a real chance to heal and thrive - no luck needed! But for you? You could get lucky this March and win BIG. Donate March 1-31 and you'll be entered for a chance to win one of two \$5,000 gift cards! More information at [vitalant.org/LuckyGiveaway](https://vitalant.org/LuckyGiveaway). Schedule today. Use Blood Drive Code: ABLUN

For more information or to schedule a donation, call **877-258-4825** or visit us at [vitalant.org](https://vitalant.org)

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**vitalant** 

**Rough Rider Mentorship Program is hiring:**

The Mentorship Program is looking for two After-School Program Teachers in Mora. To apply, click here: [https://chess.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/LCCJobs/details/After-School-Program-Teacher\\_JR107806](https://chess.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/LCCJobs/details/After-School-Program-Teacher_JR107806)

They are also looking for an Administrative Assistant. To apply, click here: [https://chess.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/LCCJobs/details/Administrative-Assistant-2---Rough-Rider-Mentorship-and-College-Readiness-Program\\_JR108138](https://chess.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/LCCJobs/details/Administrative-Assistant-2---Rough-Rider-Mentorship-and-College-Readiness-Program_JR108138)



## Mentorship Program

Needs Teachers for it's After School Program in Mora, NM

Luna Community College's Future Rough Riders Mentorship and College Readiness Program is looking for part-time teachers for its spring After-School Program in Mora, NM. Applicants must enjoy working with children and be willing to help create solid curriculum meant to support students now and in their educational futures. The program happens one day a week for two to three hours and the pay is \$35.00/hour. Program teachers will select the day and time that best suits them and the students in the Mora area. For more information, email Sherry Goodyear @ [sgoodyear@luna.edu](mailto:sgoodyear@luna.edu) or call her at 1-505-454-5331. Or click on this link: [https://chess.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/LCCJobs/details/After-School-Program-Teacher\\_JR107806](https://chess.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/LCCJobs/details/After-School-Program-Teacher_JR107806). Or go to Luna.edu, click on "About" and click on "Employment Opportunities" and look for "After School Program Teacher – Mora" to apply.



## Youth Summer Job Opportunity



**HERMIT'S PEAK**  
WATERSHED ALLIANCE

### SUMMER 2025 JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

**Help our communities and watersheds recover from the Hermit's Peak - Calf Canyon Fire and build professional skills at the same time!**

**Job Title:** Post-Fire Watershed Restoration Field Crew Member

**Job Description:** HPWA is hiring 4 crew members to serve on a seasonal field work crew. All members should have the ability to do hard physical work needed for building log and rock structures for erosion control, seeding, mulching, and other restoration in a variety of outdoor terrains and weather. The ability to hike in and out of remote job sites and carry equipment and supplies is required.

- Work period - May 26, 2025 – August 29, 2025 (tentative)
- Full-time – 40 hours/week
- Crew Member Wage - \$20/hour

Crew members should be able to take instruction from crew leader and assist other crew members in accomplishing restoration or land management projects.

**Job Qualifications:**

- Comfortable and physically able to work hard outdoors in challenging conditions
- Can lift up to 75 lbs, and carry 40 lbs for some distance
- Background or experience in natural resource management or restoration is desirable but not required (you will be trained)
- Proficiency with a variety of hand tools (shovels, digging bars, picks, log carriers) is desirable
- Strong verbal communication skills with team members, landowners, and the public
- Ability to work together as a team

**Application Due Date: March 19, 2025**

**Job Interviews: March 24, 2025 - April 8, 2025**

**Application:**

Go to HPWA website – [hermitspeakwatersheds.org](https://hermitspeakwatersheds.org) - for an application or scan the QR code below  
Submit Job Application and Resume to Patrick Gutierrez - [pgutierrez@hermitspeakwatersheds.org](mailto:pgutierrez@hermitspeakwatersheds.org) Or  
stop by our Office at 617 5th, Las Vegas, NM

**For Questions Contact:**

Patrick Gutierrez - 505.429.8386, [pgutierrez@hermitspeakwatersheds.org](mailto:pgutierrez@hermitspeakwatersheds.org)  
Estevan Gonzales - 505.617.3256, [egonzales@hermitspeakwatersheds.org](mailto:egonzales@hermitspeakwatersheds.org)



[www.hermitspeakwatersheds.org](https://www.hermitspeakwatersheds.org)

Mailing Address: 289 County Road A2, Sapello, NM 87745  
Physical Address: 617 5th Street, Las Vegas, NM 87701

[lknutson@hermitspeakwatersheds.org](mailto:lknutson@hermitspeakwatersheds.org)

## 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 

**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!

**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

**Learn more & APPLY!**

[lanifoundation.org/scholarship](http://lanifoundation.org/scholarship)



**LANL FOUNDATION**  
Investing in Learning  
& Human Potential



**Students! Are you interested in the Health Sciences? Wondering where your education can take you? Explore a paid training opportunity in a fast-growing, well-paying industry.**



"CT-REx really opened a gateway for me into the world of research. I learned so much about how I can put my degree to work without having to go through lengthy post grad schools."  
-2024 trainee

### **EXPLORE CAREER PROSPECTS IN HEALTH SCIENCES RESEARCH THIS SUMMER**

The CT-REx (Clinical & Translational Research Experience) Career Preparation Program invites freshman and sophomores in New Mexico and Arizona to learn about and to experience Health Sciences Research at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque. The CT-REx Program aims to recruit rural, tribal, and Hispanic college students who are underrepresented in the research workforce.

#### **CT-REx PROGRAM DETAILS: June 2 - July 25, 2025**

##### **Over 8 weeks, Trainees will:**

- Explore multiple careers in research
- Work alongside skilled research professionals
- Learn the foundational skills of research

##### **You will get training in:**

- Lab techniques
- Participant interaction
- Data collection, entry, and reporting
- And so much more!

##### **Benefits of a Career in Health Sciences Research:**

- Job security
- Competitive wages
- Fast career pathway to job opportunities

##### **Did You Know?**

You don't have to be a doctor or nurse to have a successful career in research. You can begin your career as a Research Coordinator, Lab Tech, or Data Management specialist with a high school diploma or Associate degree.

##### **Trainees will Receive:**

- \$5,000 stipend
- Campus-based housing
- Team-building
- Professional networking
- Some meals

##### **Trainees must:**

- Be a US citizen or green card holder
- Be willing and able to live on campus for the entire 8 week program
- Be enrolled in an undergraduate program in NM or AZ

**Admission:** Applications for the 2025 program must be received by **Feb 28, 2025**

##### **APPLY HERE:**



<https://redcap.link/ctrex2025>

**Contact CT-REx for more information:**  
[ctrex@salud.unm.edu](mailto:ctrex@salud.unm.edu)

*Intimidated? No research experience? No problem.  
We'll give you everything you need to succeed.*



Nursing – Time for TEAS**NOW ONLINE!**

We help you  
**take on**  
 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](mailto: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	DATE
Intro & pre-test	March 20/5:30 pm
Reading & English	March 24/5:30 pm
Anatomy & 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 [sasanchez@luna.edu](mailto:sasanchez@luna.edu) 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 [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com) 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 Nursing school entrance exam

### April 2025 dates

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

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.  
Tuesday, April 29 1:30 p.m.

Contact: Sandra Sanchez  
505-454-2526  
sasanchez@luna.edu

Passing TEAS score is 58.7% overall or higher. There are  
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](https://atitesting.com),  
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Friday, May 16	1:30 p.m.	Tuesday, May 27	9:00 a.m.
Monday, May 19	1:30 p.m.	Thursday, May 29	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, May 20	1:30 p.m.	Friday, May 30	1:30 p.m.

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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](https://timelycare.com/Luna) on your web-enabled 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](https://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.



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### Las Vegas Community Events

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

### Reminders

- All committees, departments, and individuals with information to share are encouraged to send their knowledge to [sgoodyear@luna.edu](mailto: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](https://luna.edu/whats_happening).

Have a Wonderful Long Weekend, Everyone!