



**New Mexico Higher Education Department
New Mexico Higher Education Advisory Committee Program Review
Thursday, March 12, 2026
10:30 AM – 12:30 PM**

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AGENDA

- 1) CALL TO ORDER
- 2) APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 3) **Spring NMHEAC Meetings:**
 - a) June 25, 2026, submission deadline May 28, 2026
 - b) October 1, 2026, submission deadline September 10, 2026
 - c) November 19, 2026, Submission deadline October 29, 2026
- 4) **Undergraduate Programs**
 - a) UNM-LA, AA Early Childhood Education
 - i) Institutional representative:
 - (1) Dr. Brent Pickett, Dean, UNM-LA, bpickett1@unm.edu
- 5) **Graduate Programs**
 - a) UNM, Master of Social Work
 - i) Institutional representatives:
 - (1) Jen Panhorst, Interim Director of the UNM MSW Program
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 - (2) Janelle Torres-Groover, Field Director of the UNM MSW Program,
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 - (3) Shelly McLaughlin, MS, EMT-I, Associate Dean for UNM Health Professions Programs - SJMcLaughlin@salud.unm.edu



- (4) Jorge Varela, PhD, Vice Chair of Education for the Department of
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(5) Dr. Maria Lane, UNM Graduate Dean, mdlane@unm.edu

6) PUBLIC COMMENT

7) ADJOURNMENT