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Hello,

The Native American Studies, Chicana and Chicano Studies, and Africana Studies departments at the University of New Mexico (UNM) will be hosting a second community town hall on Saturday December 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Hodgin Hall Alumni Center on the UNM campus in Albuquerque, New Mexico. We are inviting you to attend. We are also inviting education practitioners, state legislators, and community members representing diverse backgrounds.

All three departments have pioneered educational approaches and models that have been successful in recruiting, retaining, and graduating students and impacting the innovative directions of education including applied and project-based learning, interdisciplinary application, community-engaged scholarship, critical race theories, and authentic assessment. The town hall will also include the Network of Educators Initiative from the UNM College of Education, which supports teacher preparation and educator capacity-building to serve students named in the Yazzie/Martinez case.

This second town hall is a follow-up to our original town hall on June 8, 2019. At this second town hall, we will continue the dialogue on each of our departments' missions and accomplishments along with the Network of Educators initiative's goals. We will emphasize the need to develop critically engaging and culturally relevant education that supports successful learning from K-20 and to prepare students for successful college and professional career pathways.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Lloyd Lee at llee35@gmail.com or (505) 227-9195. Thank you.

Respectfully,

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