

# REGION 10 INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER

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Yá'át'ééh anoltsó' (Greetings everyone),

My name is Kyle Harvey, and I am the Student and Graduate Services Coordinator for the Department of Native American Studies at the University of New Mexico.

The Community Pot is an internship that is a direct response to the New Mexico Basic Needs Project (ongoing since 2020-2021), and the negative impact of food insecurity on Indigenous students and other marginalized relatives. Through this service-learning experience, students are introduced to concepts of Indigenous Futurisms, Food Sovereignty, and Educational Leadership. Students exercise a relational method, utilize a Feeding our Relatives pedagogy to strengthen their peers' sense of belonging through food. As a part of offering community meals, the students must consider the expense for groceries, aiming to stay below \$100 for at least 60 people that does not sacrifice nutritional value and content.

The socioacademic experience is twofold. The design of The Community Pot scaffolds from autoethnographic praxis to analyze the level of relationship building that is happening between myself as the advisor and the student interns. This addresses two research questions, "How can academic advisement operationalize an Indigenous Student Affairs framework to perpetuate students' Indigenous Knowledges, serving as an agent in actualizing their aspirations to give back and play a role in building an Indigenous future?" and "what socioacademic engagements are students having within the postsecondary space that reinforce their sense of belonging?". The premise of this research is centered around student experiences, elevating their voices and stories to inform academic advisement practices, and institutional policy changes.



## UPCOMING CULTURAL EVENTS

Utah Valley University  
Celebrating Caribbean Culture  
Saturday, October 19, 2024  
5:30pm-9pm (MST)

University of Arizona  
Mapping Q 2024: Still Queer After  
All These Years  
Saturday, January 4, 2025  
4:30 PM (MST)

ASU Tempe Campus  
American Indian Studies Association  
(AISA) Conference  
February 5-7, 2025

UNM Main Campus  
Kiva Club Powwow  
Sunday, April 27th, 2025

*Please email us if you have any past or upcoming events you would like us to highlight*

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS! NACADA REGION 10 WEBINAR NOVEMBER 12, 2024 AT 2:00 PM MST

Come hear Dr. Kyle Reyes speak to advisors about applying the messages from his new book "Lenses of Humanity: How Reflection, Connection, and Empathy Can Heal Our World"

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by November 5, 2024

