ROLL CALL:

School of Allied Health
  Timothy Thatcher ✓
College of Business
  Malori Monroe ✓
School of Community Health Sciences
  Vacant A
School of Dental Medicine
  Vacant A
College of Education
  Pamela Juniel ✓
College of Engineering
  Kishor Shrestha ✓
College of Fine Arts
  Amanda Mayfield ✓
College of Hotel Administration
  Laura Boscarolo ✓
College of Liberal Arts
  Denise Cook ✓
College of Nursing
  Vacant A
College of Sciences
  Erika Lomeli A
College of Urban Affairs
  Terri Thomas A
Executive Board
  Izaac Rowe
  Sharon Young, President ✓
  Michael Alires, VP A
  Meghan Pierce, Treasurer ✓
  Kirk Talib-deen, Secretary ✓

Others present: Assistant Vice President for Diversity Initiatives and Community Engagement José Luis Melendrez, Graduate College Associate Dean Kendall Hartley, Interim Graduate College Dean & GPSA Faculty Advisor Kate Korgan, Past GPSA President Michael Gordon and GPSA Manager Becky Boulton

Call to order – Roll Call

President Young called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT - none

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
   Request is made for approval of the May 5, 2014 meeting minutes - President Young called for a motion to approve the May 5, 2014 GPSA Council minutes. Izaac Rowe (Law School) motioned to approve the May 5th minutes and Timothy Thatcher (School of Allied Health) seconded. After a call for a vote, the council unanimously approved the May 5th Council minutes as presented.

3. SPEAKER(S) - INFORMATION ONLY
   • José Luis Melendrez, Assistant Vice President, Minority Serving Institution (MSI) Coordinator (handouts included at the end of this document) - Mr. Melendrez remarked on the diversity initiative and provided handouts to the council. He touched on such topics as: Titles III & IV, Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI), designation of a Minority Serving Institution (MSI), STEM Taskforce, and UNLV Enrollment based on Race/Ethnicity. He discussed the 2013 NSHE Southern Diversity Summit and the goal to build strong Minority Serving Institutions (MSI) to enhance student success.
   • Graduate College Dean Kate Korgan discussed the progress of the 2013-2014 Graduate College initiatives and goals, and new goals for the 2014-2015 academic year, and discussed the Graduate Council and the Online Learning Initiative.
   • Graduate College Associate Dean Kendall Hartley discussed the Grad REBEL Initiative: Recruit, Engage, Build [skills], Elevate [to next step], and Link, like & follow.

4. BUDGET REPORT - FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
   Treasurer Pierce reported the May budget. Hard copies were available at the beginning of the meeting. Treasurer Pierce directed the Council to the top of the report, the May student wages are listed at $4,247.00 for staffing the Graduate Student Commons. Operating expenses for the month of May are the monthly Xerox maintenance, postage, routine office supplies and telephone costs, $300 for the
subscription of the NY Times, and $1,272.00 for the Student Union for the use of equipment and set up
expenses for the month of May at $58.32 for a meal provided to the Sponsorship Committee provided
during their meeting to review summer funding applications. $293.80 was brought in as revenue from the
sales in the Graduate Student Commons; student fees collected for the month were $13,173.16, bringing
the total year-to-date revenue to $260,747.70. The balance forward is $146,206.35 with a balance of
$143,109.59. President Young called for a motion to approve the budget. Terri Thomas (College of Urban
Affairs) motioned to approve the budget report and Pamela Juniel (College of Education) seconded. After
a call for a vote, the council unanimously approved the budget report as presented.

5. COMMITTEE REPORT  
   Board of Regents / Nevada Student Alliance - President Young addressed the student health insurance
   and the impact UNLV International students have on the price. She directed the council to the Board of
   Regents June 5th and 6th meeting agenda attachments which list the proposed 2014-2015 health insurance
   rates. She also noted that the GPSA resolution no. 7 proposing that Law Students be considered full time
   at 12 or more credits for the purposes of mandatory health insurance, and that the proposed tuition and
   fees increase will be voted on at the upcoming Board of Regents meeting to be held in Reno, June 5 – 6,
   2014.
   GPSA Activities / Community Service – none planned for summer. A committee chair will be appointed
   once the full council convenes in the fall.
   GPSA Publications - Secretary Talib-deen requested volunteers for the Publications Committee. The
   newsletter, The Luminary”, is scheduled for an August 22nd publication date. Interested representatives
   wishing to serve on this committee should contact Secretary Talib-deen.
   GPSA Sponsorship – Vice President Alires is chair of this committee. In his absence, President Young
   asked representatives interested in serving on this committee during the summer months to contact Vice
   President Alires.
   Student Health Insurance – President Young reviewed the handout that accompanied the June 2nd agenda
   email sent to the Council. This is a proposed action item at the June 5-6 Board of Regents meeting.

6. OLD BUSINESS - none
   FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

7. NEW BUSINESS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
   GPSA 2014 – 2015 Goals – President Young noted to the GPSA summer council that they will be
   working on 2014-2015 goals to present to the Fall GPSA Council. One GPSA goal is to work to
   communicate across the various NSHE campuses, possibly hosting a retreat day for the Southern Nevada
   NSHE institutions. Past GPSA President Michael Gordon reviewed last year’s GPSA goals with the
   council and encouraged them all to come back with suggestions for the new set of 2014-2015 GPSA
   goals.
   2015 State of Nevada Legislative Session Planning Initiatives:
   NV Education Awareness Day: Tentatively scheduled, March 2, 2015 in Carson City NV.
   President Young will be confirming with the Nevada Student Alliance when she travels to Reno
   this week for the Board of Regents meeting.
   $100 for hosting Southern Nevada NSHE institutions, date and location of event TBD - President Young
   asked for a motion to approve $100.00 to host refreshments for a meeting with the officers of the
   Southern Nevada NSHE student governments to facilitate communication across institutions. Pamela
   Juniel (College of Education) motioned to approve the $100 retreat hosting budget and Terri Thomas
   (College of Urban Affairs) seconded. After a call for a vote, the council unanimously approved $100.00
   toward refreshments.
   Asian American Dental Student Association (AADSA) Student GPSA Recognition - President Young
   reviewed the AADSA constitution with the Council. She noted that the following revisions: 1) Chapter I
   Section 3 – include a provision for the role of “Founding Advisor” in the event that the Founding
   Advisor is no longer with the university. 2) Chapter II Section 2.0 B. – Please identify who casts votes in
   an election. 3) Chapter II: Section 3.0 I – Minutes from the previous meeting should also be approved.
   President Young called for a motion to approve the AADSA constitution and bylaws contingent upon the
suggested revisions. Denise Cook (College of Liberal Arts) motioned to approve the AADSA and Terri Thomas (College of Urban Affairs) seconded. After a call for a vote, the council unanimously approved the AADSA as a GPSA Recognized Student Organization contingent upon the requested constitution and bylaws revisions.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** - none

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - none

10. **ADJOURNMENT**
    President Young called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Terri Thomas (College of Urban Affairs) motioned to adjourn the meeting and Denise Cook (College of Liberal Arts) seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

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GPSA Summer 2014 Council Meetings
Graduate Student Commons, LLB 2141; 10:00 – 11:30am
- Monday, July 7, 2014
- Monday, August 4, 2014

GPSA Fall 2014 Council Meetings
UNLV Student Union rooms 208 A, B & C; 2:00 – 3:30pm
- Monday, September 8, 2014
- Monday, October 6, 2014
- Monday, November 3, 2014
- Monday, December 1, 2014
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1. **Agenda Item Title:** Student Health Insurance/Health Center Fees
   **Revisions**
   **Meeting Date:** June 5-6, 2014

2. **BACKGROUND & POLICY CONTEXT OF ISSUE:**

   **Student Health Insurance:** Each June, the Board approves the student health insurance rates for the upcoming academic year that are shown in Chapter 7, Section 10 of the *Procedures and Guidelines Manual*. System representatives and institution representatives worked with the System’s insurance broker, Wells Fargo Insurance Services, to obtain the best insurance rates possible for the students at each institution.

   As discussed in June of 2013, the Board, Institutions and students were made aware of the impacts the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) would have on student health insurance premiums. Per the Affordable Care Act requirements, the following plan changes will be made for the 2014-15 plan year to remain in compliance with Federal law (Attachment 1):
   - Annual plan maximum increased from $500,000 to no maximum
   - All per-service deductibles, copays, and coinsurance amounts apply to the out of pocket maximum
   - Pre-existing exclusions will be removed from the policy

   Coverage is added for the following Nevada Essential health Benefits:
   - Approved clinical trials
   - Genetic testing
   - Infertility
   - Sterilization
   - Off label cancer drugs

   Additionally, the UNR Graduate Department, at the request of the Graduate Student Senate, is proposing a transition of their student insurance program to a hard-waiver mandatory enrollment requirement (Attachment 2). This change mirrors the change proposed by the Graduate Department at UNLV and adopted by the Board last year for the 2013-14 plan year. The mandatory participation plan (known as “hard waiver mandatory”) requires that students who enroll in 6 credits or more purchase the insurance through the institution or provide evidence of comparable coverage. Initial voluntary quote options reflected a 26-35% increase for the status quo option, as compared to the 4% increase shown for next year under the hard-waiver mandatory plan.

   The UNLV Graduate Department, at the request of the Graduate & Professional Student Association (GPSA), proposes a modification to the request approved last June to remove law students taking 11 credits or less per semester. They are considered part-time students and therefore should not be required to purchase the mandatory student health insurance (Attachment 3).

   The System also makes available, on a voluntary participation basis, health insurance for undergraduates at UNR, UNLV, and NSC and graduate students taking 8 credits or less not on assistantships at UNLV. Staff recommends continuation of these coverages, in existing form, with the exception of the indicated fee changes.

   Some NSHE Allied Health and Nursing programs require students provide evidence of health insurance coverage and have been addressed in the attached Policy and Guidelines Manual revision. If a student cannot provide proof of coverage, the coverages provided by the institutions may be used to satisfy the requirement.

   The rates proposed in the attached reference material represent Institution’s recommendations for the best option for coverage for academic year 2014-15. The carriers recommended are Aetna for UNLV/NSC and United Health Care for UNR. Wells Fargo Insurance Services is the broker. These final recommendations have been reviewed by insurance committees (which include student representation) at each institution.

   **Student Health Fee:** Consistent with prior calculations of CPI + 1%, UNR is requesting an adjustment to the Student Health Center fee to address cost inflation (Attachment 4).

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*Revised: June 2010*
### 3. SPECIFIC ACTIONS BEING RECOMMENDED OR REQUESTED:

1. The Board is being asked to approve the student health insurance/health center rates for academic year 2014-15 as presented on the attached reference material.

2. The Board is being asked to approve the UNR GPSA request to move graduate students (taking 6 credits/semester or more) to a hard-waiver mandatory program beginning academic year 2014-15.

3. The Board is being asked to approve the UNLV Graduate Department and Graduate & Professional Student Association’s (GPSA) revision request that law students taking 11 credits or less per semester (considered part-time) not be required to purchase the mandatory student health insurance effective academic year 2014-15.

4. The Board is being asked to approve the UNR adjustment to the Student Health Center fee.

### 4. IMPETUS (WHY NOW?):

Current student health insurance policies expire at the end of this academic year.

### 5. BULLET POINTS TO SUPPORT REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

- The rates for student health insurance plans identified here represent the best option available through an analysis of all options and a competitive quotation process.
- At the request of the UNR Graduate Department and as approved by the UNR GSA, approval of the hard-waiver request will align both universities graduate insurance program.

### 6. POTENTIAL ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

- The requirement for mandatory health insurance coverage, and the associated cost, may impact academic decisions made by some students.

### 7. ALTERNATIVE(S) TO WHAT IS BEING REQUESTED/RECOMMENDED:

- Discontinue offering plans or direct staff to bring different options.
- Continue to offer only voluntary student health insurance plans at the UNR graduate/professional school student level, as available, or discontinue offering plans.

### 8. COMPLIANCE WITH BOARD POLICY:

- Consistent With Current Board Policy: Title #_____ Chapter #______ Section #______
- Amends Current Board Policy: Title #___ Chapter #___ Section #______
- Amends Current Procedures & Guidelines Manual: Chapter #__7__ Section #__10G___
- Other:________________________________________________________________________
- Fiscal Impact: Yes _X___ No _______  
  Explain: Student health insurance and health center fees that meet the reporting threshold of $25,000 will be reported in the Self Supporting Budget report.
## G. HEALTH SERVICE/INSURANCE FEES

### UNR

**Health Service Fee: Per semester**
- Graduate: [$90], [93]
- Undergraduate: [$90], [93]
- International: [$90], [93]

(MANDATORY for students with six or more credits, VOLUNTARY for students with fewer than six credits & summer school students)

**Student Health and Accident Insurance:**
- VOLUNTARY (All domestic undergraduate students enrolled in nine credits [and domestic graduate students enrolled in six credits].)
  - Annual: [$2,442], [1,907], [2,589]
  - Fall: [$1,093], [853], [1,107]
  - Spring: [$949], [742], [991]
  - Spring/Summer: [$1,399], [1,093], [1,533]
  - Summer: [$450], [377], [542]

**Student Health and Accident Insurance:**
- MANDATORY for International Students and Graduate & Professional Students taking six credits or more per semester
  - Annual: $2,550, [$1,067]
  - Fall: $1,164, [$477]
  - Spring: $1,011, [$415]
  - Spring/Summer: $1,490, [$612]
  - [Summer & Orientation Week]: $702, [$224]
  - Summer: $479, [$197]

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**Student Health and Accident Insurance, (MANDATORY¹ for International Students; Graduate & Professional Students taking a minimum of nine credits per semester; six credits if a graduate assistant) OPTIONAL for Graduate Students not on Assistantships**

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**Health Insurance (MANDATORY¹)***

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## Student Health and Accident Insurance

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### NOTES:

- CSN, GBC, TMCC, WNC students have available health services on a voluntary basis through a third party entity. These institutions facilitate the availability of student health services; however, students who contract for these services pay the third party entity directly.
- Amounts represent total charges and include insurance premium, ACA taxes and fees, broker commission and fees, and institution fees.
- **Some NSHE Allied Health and Nursing programs require students provide evidence of coverage. The coverages indicated above may be used to satisfy this programmatic requirement.**

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1 Mandatory Coverage definition: when coverage is indicated as mandatory, the student must purchase the coverage or provide proof of equivalent coverage.
## Reform Compliance Timeline

### Required Benefit Changes to Student Health Plans by Plan Year

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Essential Health Benefits
Sec. 1302. Essential Health Benefits Requirement, PPCACA

- Ambulatory patient services
- Emergency services
- Hospitalization
- Maternity and newborn care
- Mental health and substance use disorder services, including behavioral health treatment
- Prescription drugs
- Rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices
- Laboratory services
- Preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management
- Pediatric services, including oral and vision care
1. ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm.

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**Guests in Attendance:** Sahar Piltan, College of Business Administration; Vanessa Araujo, College of Business Administration; Andrew Diss, College of Business Administration

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: FEBRUARY 4
Motion to approve the minutes (Annie/Vamsi) correcting the spelling of Burkhart to Burghart PASSES by unanimous consent of Council.

3. ELECTION OF OPEN COUNCIL SEATS
---CABNR: No Candidates Present.
---Business Administration: Three candidates presented themselves for the open Council Seat. Andrew Diss was elected to the open seat by a majority ballot vote of Council (Andrew: 12; Sahar: 6; Vanessa: 3; one abstention).
---College of Science: Three candidates presented themselves for the open seat. Erik was elected to the open seat by a majority vote of Council (Erik: 16; Pushpa: 3; Umut: 2; one abstention).
4. GSA CLUB RECOGNITION REQUEST: ECONOMICS GRADUATE ORGANIZATION
The Economics Graduate Organization requested official recognition as a GSA organization. Motion to approve recognition (David/Annie) PASSES by unanimous consent of Council.

5. GSA AD HOC COMMITTEE REVIEW
Motion to disband the GSA ad hoc committee on international student fees (David/Satyaki) PASSES by unanimous consent of Council.

6. GSA MARKETING BUDGET
A marketing budget of $1105 for the remainder of the fiscal year was presented to the Council. Motion to approve $1105 for marketing (Annie/Chrisana) PASSES by unanimous consent of Council.

7. STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE
The Council discussed the ‘hard waiver’ option for student health insurance. Motion to “endorse a hard waiver” for the university graduate student health insurance policy (David/Annie) PASSES by a roll call vote of 15-5, with 4 abstentions.

8. EXECUTIVE REPORTS
--- President Boyajian reported that the GSA Office will hold an open house even on February 26; the university fee committee met and approved various individual course fees for lab equipment, field studies, etc.; the housing developer will sponsor a cantina-catered event.
--- Vice President Kanjilal reported that the Judicial Committee met and will come to a future Council meeting with proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS
--- Nate reported that the Club Funding Committee approved funding for four clubs.
--- Annie reported that the Events Committee hosted the Wine and Cheese Social on Saturday and thanked those who volunteered.
--- The Service Committee is organizing a cupcake decorating night on April 9, and developing web apps for a bicycle serial number registry.
--- The Work-Family Task Force met and is still looking for existing space for use as lactation rooms; the university is creating a website regarding benefits for domestic partners.

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS
--- There is a facebook event page for the GSA Open House event.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54pm.
Resolution No. 7 of the 32nd Session, amended by the 33rd Session

Introduced by the Graduate & Professional Student Association (GPSA):

WHEREAS, the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) does not currently require health insurance as a condition of enrollment for graduate and professional students, excluding dental and international students;

LET IT BE RESOLVED, the GPSA supports health insurance as a condition of enrollment for graduate and professional students taking a minimum of nine credits per semester (six credits if a graduate assistant) including students who provide proof of insurance independent of the university, provided that graduate and professional students are given information about health insurance and that the GPSA is consulted annually about health insurance;

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the GPSA recognizes that law students taking eleven credits or less per semester are considered part-time students and therefore should not be required to purchase the mandatory student health insurance;

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Graduate & Professional Student Association will send this approved resolution to the President of University of Nevada, Las Vegas and the Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents.

Approved this 3rd day of March 2014
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The 2013 NSHE Southern Diversity Summit, hosted by the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, was held on Friday, October 4, 2013. A collaborative endeavor sponsored by the College of Southern Nevada, Desert Research Institute, Nevada State College, and the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, the 2013 summit was designed to address the opportunities and challenges our institutions face as current and emerging Minority Serving Intuitions (MSI) in southern Nevada. The main focus of this summit was to expose and educate participants on the growing needs of underrepresented students in the local area; and how the pursuit of Minority Serving Institution (MSI) status as well as initiatives in the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) fields would prove most beneficial for our current and future students.

The summit kicked off with a welcome reception on Thursday evening that included welcoming remarks from Nevada State Senator Mr. Ruben Kihuen, Regent Cedric Crear, Mr. Luis Valera, and UNLV President Neal Smatresk. Attendees were able to mingle with other participants, make networking connections and secure advanced copies of the summit agenda for the following day.

Friday’s morning plenary included a unique opportunity for participants to speak to the presidents from the College of Southern Nevada (CSN), Desert Research Institute (DRI), Nevada State College (NSC), UNLV as well as Chancellor Dan Klaich. The open forum included personal observations regarding trends affecting the local area; insight on how each institution handled challenges stemming from economic changes, enrollment growth, and working with limited resources. At the end, the floor was given to audience members to discuss questions they wanted addressed.

Friday afternoon was dedicated to working sessions built around MSI, STEM, and community involvement. Participants gained insight on current and future needs; how to identify and access resources; and outlined how national trends were affecting institutions with opportunities for funding, growth and recognizing innovation and collaboration across institutions.

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PRELIMINARY EVALUATION RESULTS

WELL ORGANIZED 88% Agree

TOPICS RELEVANT 90% Agree

FORMAT ADEQUATE 93% Agree

SPEAKERS PREPARED, INFORMATIVE & UNDERSTANDABLE 93% Agree

MATERIAL RELEVANT & UNDERSTANDABLE 93% Agree

WILL ATTEND 2014 SUMMIT 88% Agree

COMMENTS IN BRIEF

"Thank you so much for putting this on!"

"The material from the guest speakers was great."

"Great way to set tone for collaboration and SERVING minority students."

"Getting to know people was great."

"Programming team did an excellent job."

Preliminary results based upon a return rate of approximately 20%.

The Friday morning session opened with remarks by several individuals including Ms. Semilla Neal, Nevada Commissioner for Minority Affairs. Commissioner Neal stressed the importance of the awareness of minority populations and their economic impact in Nevada.

Regent Cedric Crear moderated the Presidents’ Panel which included Dr. Neal Smatresk, President of the University of Nevada at Las Vegas; Bart Patterson, President of Nevada State College; Dr. Stephen Wells, President of Desert Research Institute; Dr. Mike Richards, President of the College of Southern Nevada; and Chancellor Dan Klaiber, Nevada System of Higher Education.

MORNING GUEST SPEAKERS

Ms. Erica Romero, Executive Director of Western States, Legislative Affairs, Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) addressed how MSI designations were critical in serving minority populations at educational institutions nationwide. She elaborated on the role, scope and involvement of HACU in assisting Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI’s) and expressed great excitement at forthcoming involvement with UNLV, who recently established institutional membership with HACU.

Mr. Raddis, Anubh, Assistant Vice President for Grants and Special Programs at New Jersey City University spoke about Title III and Title V funding opportunities. According to Anubh, MSI funding can be used for expanding faculty counseling, advisement for STEM programs, and initiating transfer articulation agreements. In addition, these funds can be used for creating partnerships with other local institutions and community organizations as an important component.

Dr. A. James Hinks from the National Science Foundation's Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation Program (LSAMP) spoke about tangible strategies for recruiting, retaining, and graduating underrepresented populations in STEM disciplines. His candid session provided participants with a clear and concise history of the LSAMP program including challenges and successes encountered during his oversight and leadership.

AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics)

- Continued goal of recruiting, retaining, and graduating diverse students in the STEM fields
- Providing necessary tools for success
- Creating a collaborative environment that builds on present relationships

Community Outreach

- The importance of the identification of resources
- Actively communicate with, and engage, the community
- Foster educational forums and maintain dialogue: determining audience specific messages

Faculty and Student Engagement

- Faculty accessibility: nurture flexibility and one-on-one engagement
- Utilizing and promoting mentoring programs
- Structuring departmental engagement both on macro and micro levels

3rd Annual NSHE Southern Diversity Summit Host

CSN - COLLEGES OF SOUTHERN NEVADA
HACU Appropriations Requests for FY 2014

The HACU 2013 Legislative Agenda calls for increased federal investment in infrastructure enhancement, research, teaching and outreach at Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) for FY 2014.

U.S. Department of Agriculture appropriations for Titles VII and VIII of the 2008 Farm Bill:
- $40M for the Title VII HSI Grants Program
- $20M for the Hispanic-Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities (HSACUs) Equity Grants Program
- $80M for the HSACU Endowment Fund program
- $40M for the HSACU Institutional Capacity-Building Grant Program
- $40M for the HSACU Fundamental and Applied Research Grants Program
- $40M for the HSACU Extension Grants Program
- $40M for the HSI Agricultural Land National Resources Leadership Program in Forestry

U.S. Department of Commerce:
- $250M for the Minority-Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology Opportunity Program (MSIDWTOP) for HSIs and other Minority-Serving Institutions (MSIs)

U.S. Department of Defense:
- $15M for research development, testing and evaluation infrastructure support for HSIs.
- $5M for faculty development and capacity building programs for HSIs.

U.S. Department of Education appropriations for HSIs under the Higher Education Act:
- $175M for Title V, Part A of HEA - Developing HSIs Program, for undergraduate support for HSIs
- $100M for Title V, Part B of HEA - Promoting Post-Baccalaureate Opportunities for Hispanic Americans, for graduate support for HSIs
- $30M for the Hawkins Centers of Excellence program to increase the number of effective minority educators by expanding and reforming teacher education programs at MSIs
- $20M First in the World (FITW) MSI projects to improve college persistence & completion (FIPSE)

U.S. Department of Energy:
- $20M for a competitive grants program for HSIs to carry out research in the bio-energy, fossil, wind, solar and wind energy as part of the America Competes Act

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services:
- $20M for a faculty development, research and capacity building program within the Health Professions Bureau/Division of Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) under Title VII of the Public Services Act

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development:
- $15M for the Hispanic-Serving Institutions Assisting Communities (HSIAC) program

U.S. Department of State:
- $40M for a competitive grant program for HSIs to support Western Hemisphere student exchanges

U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs:
- $20M for a competitive grant program for HSIs to provide academic and related support services to eligible Hispanic veterans at HSIs to begin or complete their studies and to attain a career

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA):
- $15M to support a HACU/HSI consortium to elevate the model regional pre-collegiate Proyecto Access initiative for science, technology, mathematics and engineering to a nationwide program

National Science Foundation (NSF):
- $30M for a competitive grants program for HSI research, curriculum and infrastructure development in STEM as authorized in the America COMPETES Act of 2007
Title III & Title V

The University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) applied for and achieved designation from the Department of Education as a Title III & Title V - Minority Serving Institution (MSI) in December of 2012. Qualification for this designation requires that institutions meet specific primary indicators that include diversity of the student body by race and ethnicity and students qualifying for federal assistance under Federal Pell Grant, Federal College Work Study, Federal Perkins Loan or Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant. UNLV meets the requirements as an Asian American, Native American, and Pacific Islander-Serving Institution (AANAPISI) and is an emerging Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI).

Hispanic Serving Institution

The Higher Education Act, 20 USCA Section 1101a defines a Hispanic-serving institution as an institution of higher education that (a) is an eligible institution; (b) at the time of application, has an enrollment of undergraduate full-time equivalent students that is at least 25 percent Hispanic students; and (c) provides assurances that not less than 50 percent of the institution's Hispanic students are low-income individuals (IPEDS, 2011)

MSI Task Force

MSI designations are critical in serving minority populations at educational institutions nationwide. These designations allow access to funding opportunities that expand and support initiatives for pre-collegiate and collegiate students as well as ensuring that a sustainable workforce is developed for the benefit of the local community. A key component of successful initiatives involves strategic collaboration between educational institutions and business/industry to support educational pipelines.

STEM Taskforce

Understanding the national focus on strengthening the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) industry and bolstering the academic preparation of students pursuing STEM disciplines, UNLV is engaging in campus-wide efforts to more efficiently focus on accessing greater financial resources to support current and needed infrastructure.

ODI is in the early stages of developing a Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (LSAMP) Program focused on recruiting, retaining, and graduating underrepresented populations in STEM disciplines. The LSAMP Program is affiliated with the National Science Foundation and strives to increase the number of underrepresented members in STEM academic disciplines, and STEM career pathways.
Educational Pipelines in Southern Nevada

Clark County High Schools

Clark County serves over 314,643 students across 357 schools in the state of Nevada. Out of those 357 schools, 49 are high schools, 24 are alternative schools and 8 are special schools. The Clark County School District (CCSD) is considered the fifth largest school district in the United States.

As of fall 2013, the majority of CCSD students (71%) come from underrepresented racial and ethnic populations and a variety of socio-economic backgrounds. Represented in this population are the following:
Asian (7%), American Indian (.5%), Black (12%), Hispanic (44%), Native Hawaiian (1.5%), Multi-racial (6%) and White (29%). These demographics demonstrate that southern Nevada is primed for applying to a host of state and federal programs for financial support and development. These programs would provide additional resources for expanding curriculum, skill development, hiring of support staff, and providing instructional materials.

The CCSD serves as the pipeline into educational systems across the state including community colleges, universities and trade schools.

Source: CCSD 2013-2014 Fast Facts

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UNLV At a Glance: Enrollment 2011-2013

Total Student Race/Ethnicity

Graduate & Undergraduate Student Demographics as reported by the Office of Decision Support.
Clark County School District (CCSD)

- The CCSD encompasses all of Clark County which covers 7,910 square miles and includes the metropolitan Las Vegas area and all outlying communities and rural areas. Under state law, each of Nevada’s 17 counties has one school district responsible for Kindergarten through 12th grade education.

- The CCSD employs 39,022 people including full-time, part-time, substitute and temporary employees.

- Nevada law (NRS 392.040) requires school attendance between ages seven and 18. Kindergarten is not part of the regular school program.

Source: CCSD 2013-2014 Fast Facts

Minority Serving Institutions (MSI)

Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs) are U.S. colleges and universities that enroll a high percentage of minority students. Because minority populations have experienced disproportionate barriers to higher education, the federal government provides financial support through various titles of the Higher Education Act. MSIs include Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs), as well as colleges and universities with high enrollments of Native Americans, Asian Americans, Native American Pacific Islanders, Alaskan Natives and Native Hawaiians.

In addition to academic colleges and departments, the UNLV MSI Task Force is comprised of the following offices and departments:

- Office of Diversity Initiatives
- Office of the Provost
- Office of the President
- Division of Student Affairs
- Academic Success Center
- Office of Decision Support
- Honors College
- Graduate College
- Multicultural Programs for Engineering, Sciences & Allied Health Sciences/Nursing
- Faculty Leadership
- Student Leadership
- Community & Industry Leadership