



THE DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

AN OVERVIEW

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On the cover; UNLV Premier is the largest welcome event for students to kick off the semester.



A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

I am pleased and excited to present the inaugural edition of the Division of Student Affairs - An Overview. It highlights the variety of quality services and programs we provide and demonstrates the impact that Student Affairs has regarding the university's mission, which extends to the Las Vegas community.

Student Affairs professionals are committed to keeping students engaged and active by offering opportunities that nurture student success, enhance learning, and foster a respectful and inclusive campus community. From the application process for admissions and financial aid and registration for classes, to connecting with other students and activating learning outside of the classroom, the Division of Student Affairs strives to establish a dynamic, safe and secure, and transformative learning environment.

Internal and external collaborations and partnerships ensure that the Division of Student Affairs is not merely in the community, but an integral part of the community, as the university advances towards Top Tier status. I am confident that by showcasing who we are and what we do, you will be impressed with the impact Student Affairs makes on our internal and external communities.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Juanita P. Fain".

Dr. Juanita P. Fain, Vice President for Student Affairs

The Division of Student Affairs

The Division of Student Affairs is much more than the large and complex organization that manages every thing from recruiting and enrolling students to helping them complete their studies through financial aid, counseling, campus involvement, and graduation. Student Affairs – ***the heartbeat of the university*** – is the pulse that keeps everything circulating to give students a rich array of experiences in addition to their formal education.

Each unit in Student Affairs plays an important role in developing the different, daring, and diverse student body that has become UNLV's most recognizable trait. The division is proud of its people, its departments, and its progress. It works hard every day to enhance learning, nurture student success, and foster a vibrant and inclusive community that is helping lift UNLV into the top tier of universities.

Student Affairs and Top Tier

The UNLV Top Tier Initiative is an extension of UNLV's vision to enter the top 100 of American research universities, as designated by the Carnegie Foundation as a Highest Research Activity (R1) University. Student Affairs is making a difference on and off the UNLV campus. Recent Top Tier accomplishments for the Division of Student Affairs include:

**#18 NATIONWIDE
FOR YIELD**
-U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT



**NEVADA'S BEST
HIGHER ED INSTITUTE FOR
LGBT+ STUDENTS**

- BESTCOLLEGES.COM &
CAMPUSPRIDE.ORG

**\$136
million**

administered in
federal grants by
CAEO

1/3
of UNLV'S
federal
funding

**\$4.6
million**

grant from the National
Science Foundation
to increase the number
of underrepresented
STEM students

83%

of high school students
in CAEO programs enroll
in postsecondary
education programs

26,000

CCSD students
reached by CAEO
funding

**Voted a
"Best For
Vets"
College**

- 2017 & 2018
Military Times



Enrollment and Student Services

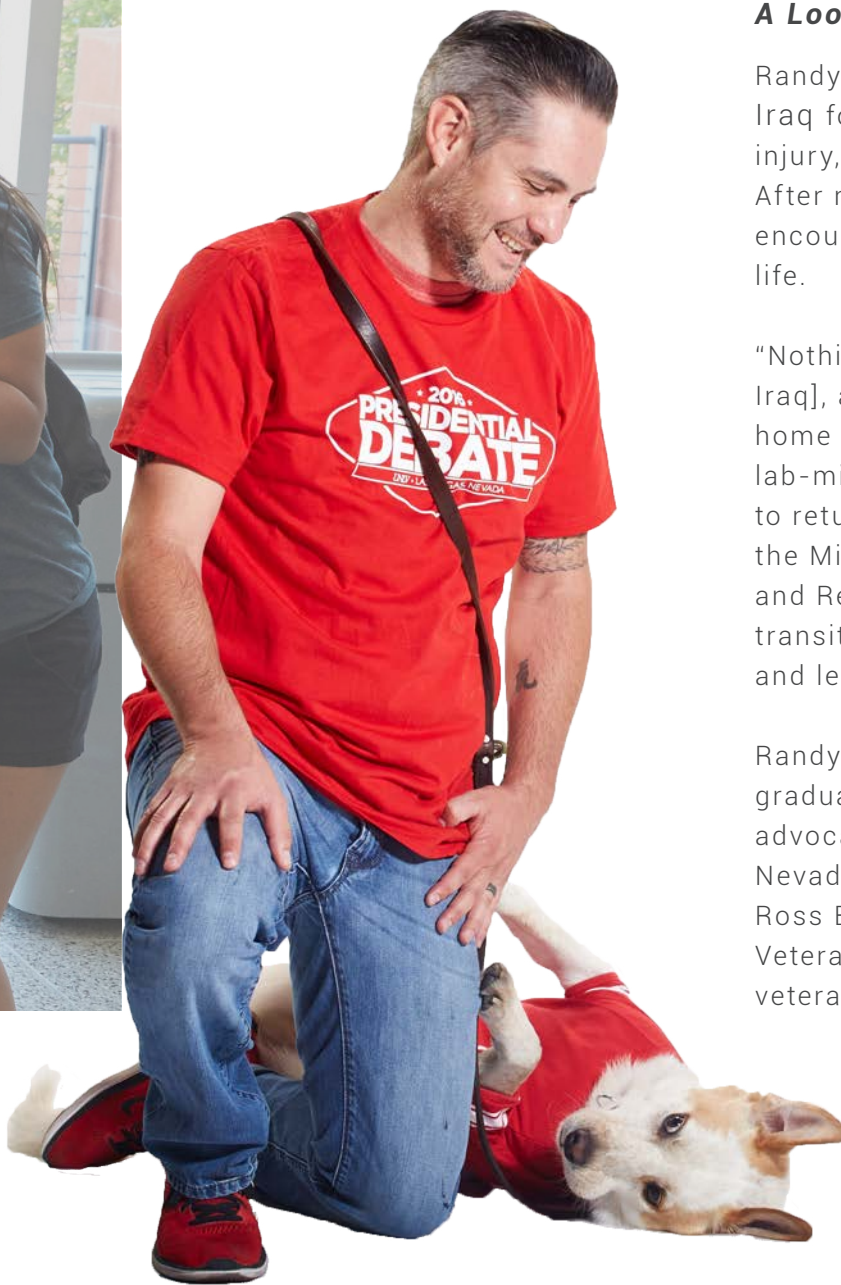
Enrollment and Student Services recruits, retains, and graduates a diverse group of students who can lead, achieve, and contribute to their communities. From hosting high school students and their parents, explaining the ins and outs of financial aid, and giving students the good news they've been accepted, to making sure they get oriented to college life and register for the classes leading to their degrees, it is committed to helping UNLV's students reach their academic goals. ESS makes it possible for people around the world to come to study at UNLV and find their right career path.

But adjusting to college and navigating through an institution of higher education is not always an easy task. That's why Enrollment and Student Services is constantly looking for how it can improve the way the office serves its applicants and its students, whether that means extending hours, embracing new technologies, or listening and finding new ways to assist UNLV's students more effectively.



"I chose UNLV because of the diversity of the student population as well as the WUE scholarship offered at UNLV."

-Madison, Orientation Tour Guide



A Look At Military and Veteran Services

Randy Dexter served as a combat medic in Iraq for 11 years, suffered a traumatic brain injury, and was awarded two Bronze Stars. After returning to the U.S. for treatment, he encountered difficulty returning to civilian life.

"Nothing could prepare me for what I saw [in Iraq], and nothing prepared me for life back home with PTSD. Then I met Captain, my lab-mix service dog. With Captain, I was able to return to school. At UNLV I discovered the Military & Veterans Services Center and Rebel Vets. These groups eased my transition to civilian life and helped me live and lead again."

Randy became president of UNLV Vets and graduated in 2017. The group successfully advocates for veterans, even changing Nevada law. Randy credits Rebel Vets and Ross Bryant (Director of UNLV's Military and Veterans Services Center) for creating the veteran-friendly environment at UNLV.

2018 President of Rebel Vets, Alexandria Sawin, was named national Student Veteran of the Year by the Student Veterans of America. She was among 10 finalists throughout the country.



ESS BY THE NUMBERS

#1 **NATION'S MOST DIVERSE UNIVERSITY**
-U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT



1,185
international students from 72 countries of origin

30,000+
Students are enrolled to study at UNLV



76% of students receive some form of financial aid

CAMPUS LIFE



Festival of Communities started in 1997 with a few dozen booths and 500 participants, and has grown to more than 50 booths and 2,000 participants now. The event celebrates the rich cultural traditions and diversity of UNLV.

CAMPUS LIFE BY THE NUMBERS



1,800 residents on campus (with 50% of them earning a GPA of 3.0 or higher)



30,000 service hours donated by Engelstad Scholars



33 Greek (fraternities and sororities) organizations



360 Student clubs and organizations



Involvement is essential to student growth and the college community. It offers countless opportunities to participate, to work, to lead, and to shine - all while forging lifelong friendships.

Students can live on campus in a specialty floor like Stonewall Suites or Howell Town, take a trip to Mt. Charleston with Outdoor Adventures, and deliver holiday gifts to children as part of a service learning project. The team at Campus Life - a dynamic group of professionals dedicated to helping students grow as individuals - facilitate these experiences

Campus Life coordinates the HOPE Scholars program. HOPE is specifically designed to assist students who qualify as unaccompanied homeless youth in Clark County, Nevada, to secure year-round housing, academic and financial support, employment, and counseling while attending UNLV. Twenty-one HOPE Scholars have enrolled since the program's inception.

The UNLV experience encompasses much more than earning a degree, and Campus Life will make it meaningful and memorable.



"I got help getting into UNLV without worrying about where I was going to live, and whether or not I would be kicked out of my house the next day. HOPE relieved that stress so I could focus on my dreams, and focus on the things that matter."

-Theresa, HOPE Scholar

CENTER FOR ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT AND OUTREACH

For over 50 years, The Center for Academic Enrichment and Outreach (CAEO) has delivered an important message to the Las Vegas community; that a college education is an attainable goal, even if that's not something anyone else in the family or neighborhood had thought possible.

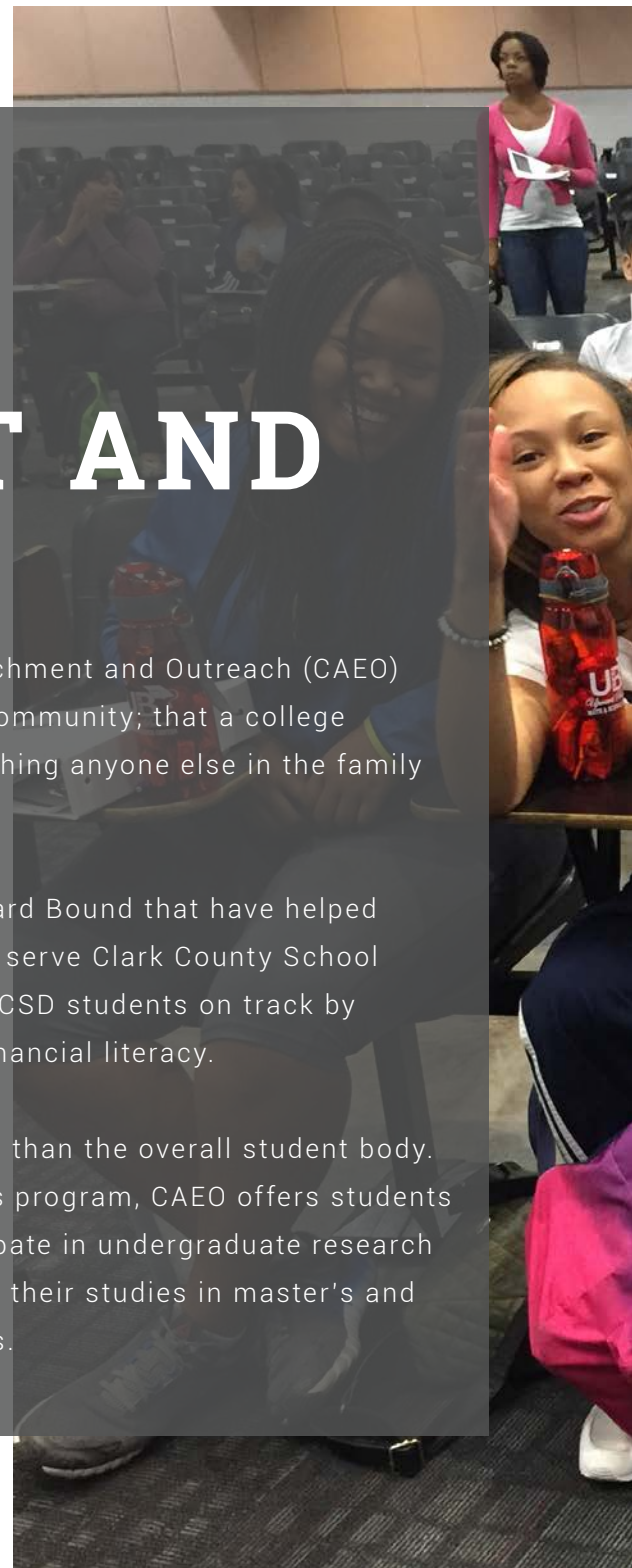
CAEO administers programs such as GEAR UP and Upward Bound that have helped generations of local students succeed. These programs serve Clark County School District middle and high schools, keeping over 26,000 CCSD students on track by providing tutoring, academic advising, mentoring and financial literacy.

CAEO's students complete their degrees at a higher rate than the overall student body. Through the McNair Scholars program, CAEO offers students opportunities to participate in undergraduate research and to continue with their studies in master's and doctoral programs.



"I have received funding for my research and been gifted with an opportunity to conduct research and an opportunity to get professional training."

-Elle, McNair Scholar





CAEO BY THE NUMBERS

26,000+
Clark County School
District participants
in CAEO programs



100% of
Educational
Talent Search
seniors
graduate from
high school



38%+ of UNLV's
federal funding is
generated by
CAEO



Undergraduate
students who
participate in
CAEO-funded
research

STUDENT WELLNESS

Adjusting academically and socially to college can be stressful, but UNLV's board-certified health care providers offer high quality primary care services to students. Treatment includes acute and chronic illnesses and injuries, preventative wellness services, immunizations, sports medicine and fracture management, and a full-service laboratory and pharmacy.

Student Counseling and Psychological Services focuses on students' psychological health and personal efficacy through individual and group therapy, and the Disability Resource Center offers support services so students of every ability have access to UNLV's classes, services, and activities.

The Jean Nidetch Women's Center creates an inclusive environment for all genders as well as helping those who have been affected by sexual assault, and Rebel Wellness activities promote wellness across campus through award-winning programs that encourage healthy living and choices. The Rebel Support Team leads a comprehensive reporting system so students can receive or stay connected to the academic support and student wellness services they need. This reporting system is one element of a safe and supportive campus community.



"UNLV encourages me to immerse myself in other activities on campus, through which I've been able to interact with students and faculty from a very different angle. This has made me a more culturally competent physician, and has helped me promote wellness to my patients (26,000 over ten years) because I really get to know them."

- Dr. Biazzo, Senior Staff Physician



WELLNESS BY THE NUMBERS



24 hours a day the CARE Line is available to the campus community



Students, Faculty, and staff serve on the Student Conduct Board



Of students at risk for leaving school decide to stay after consulting with Student Wellness



Aquatic certifications awarded this year including FirstAid/CPR/AED, Lifeguard, Water Safety/Lifeguard Instructors

STUDENT AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATION

Student Affairs Administration negotiates some of the most basic and important student needs: where will students live, what will they eat, what materials will they need to learn? The department does this by handling the contracts for student affairs services including campus housing, dining services, and the bookstore. The knowledge of complex budgets, relationships with vendors, and communication with internal and external audiences ensures the division meets its “big picture” responsibilities while carefully overseeing the complicated details that contribute to the everyday quality of life for UNLV students.

An example of the cohesion between the division and its partners, Minnie Epps has worked for UNLV Dining for nearly 35 years. Countless students have come to know Minnie as “mom”, “aunty”, or “Miss Minnie”, so it’s no surprise she has been recognized not only for her service but for her caring and commitment to the community. Minnie Epps was one of 200 people selected out of 250,000 Aramark employees worldwide for the food service company’s 2017 Ring of Stars.



“I really love the freshmen, and they enjoy knowing I am there for them. I feel good if I make one person happy for the day. If I can do that, then I’ve made the goal I set for myself.”

- Minnie Epps, UNLV Dining employee

ADMINISTRATION BY THE NUMBERS



Students employed by the Division of Student Affairs and its business partners



15,000 guests served weekly at the UNLV Dining Commons



dollars saved by going through UNLV Bookstore rental and other programs



\$1,175 raised in one day to support UNLV Cares Food Pantry at the first Giving Tuesday

THE DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

Units and Departments

Campus Life

- Campus Life Business Office
- Campus Recreational Services
- Service Learning & Leadership
- Student Diversity & Social Justice
- Student Involvement & Activities
- Campus Life Technology
- Office of Residential Life
- Student Affairs Maintenance
- Student Union & Event Services

Center for Academic Enrichment and Outreach

Pre-College Programs

- TRIO Educational Talent Search
- GEAR UP
- TRIO Upward Bound Math & Science
Centers

College Programs

- Title III A ANAPISI
- National Science Foundation LSAMP
- TRIO McNair Scholars
- TRIO Student Support Services

Adult Programs

- TRIO Educational Opportunity Centers
- TRIO Training Institute

Enrollment and Student Services

- Admissions & Orientation
- Financial Aid & Scholarships
- International Students & Scholars
- Registrar
- Military & Veterans Services

Vice President's Office

- Budget & Finance
- Business Partner Relations
- Communications
- Development
- Student Affairs Administration
- Strategic Planning & Assessment

Student Wellness

- Disability Resource Center
- Jean Nidetch Women's Center
- Rebel Wellness
- Student Conduct
- Student Counseling & Psychological
Services
- Student Health Center
- Faculty & Staff Treatment Center



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Division of Student Affairs plays a key role in building community partnerships, which not only offer unique experiences for students, but also stimulate economic development and diversification within the Las Vegas valley.

- * **The Engelstad Scholarship program** requires participating students to complete a minimum of 100 hours of community service to community organizations that include the Boys & Girls Club, Opportunity Village, the Legal Aid Center, and Teach for America.
- * In conjunction with the Clark County School District and the Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth, Student Affairs offers the **HOPE scholarship** that provides campus housing and scholarships for unaccompanied homeless youth in Las Vegas.
- * **The Jean Nidetch Women's Center** oversees the CARE Line, providing confidential, 24/7 support for sexual assault, relationship abuse and stalking. The CARE Line serves the College of Southern Nevada and Nevada State College community members, in addition to UNLV.

The Division of Student Affairs welcomes community participation and encourages partnerships to help extend its reach.

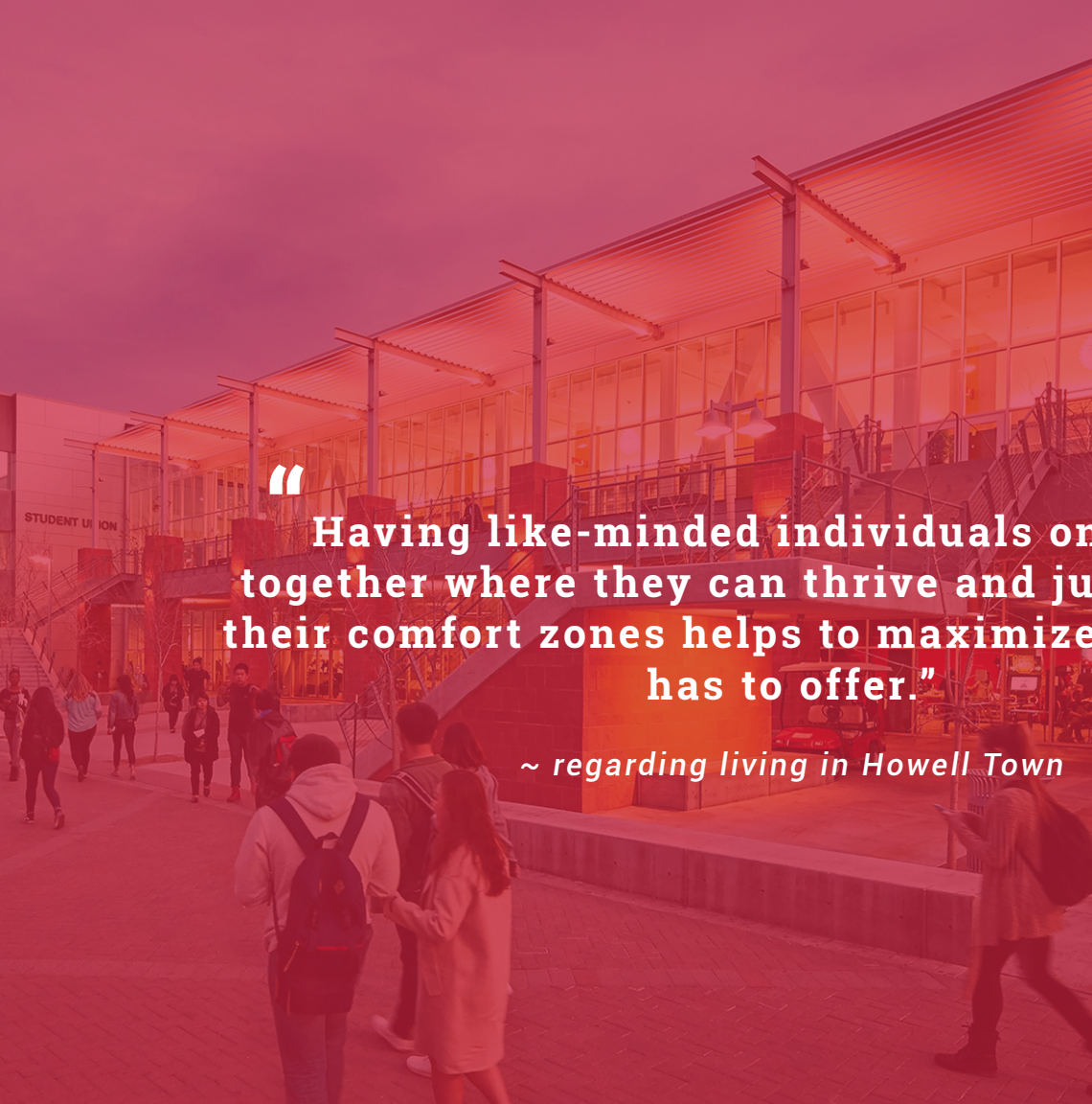


WAYS TO SUPPORT THE DIVISION

The Division of Student Affairs strives to enhance the lives of students by providing unique experiences. For students, the university environment often becomes the focal point of personal discovery. In this unique setting, they join others in an exploration of knowledge, cultures, people, and personal beliefs. The division provides quality services and programs that create educational opportunities, fosters collegiate success, enhances continuous learning, and promotes a just and inclusive campus.

Help keep the heartbeat of the university strong. Individual and corporate contributions help unite the students and lead to a stronger school spirit and legacy. A gift to the Student Affairs General Fund provides the Vice President of Student Affairs the flexibility to direct the gift where the need is greatest.

To donate to the Division, visit [**unlv.edu/studentaffairs/support**](https://unlv.edu/studentaffairs/support)



“ Having like-minded individuals on one floor together where they can thrive and jump outside their comfort zones helps to maximize what UNLV has to offer.”

~ regarding living in Howell Town



“ I want to be the pillar that supports those that seek to make a difference in the world.”

~ regarding the Engelstad Scholars program

“The greatest benefit of the programs is access and opening doors for students. We help our students arrive at those doors and then we mentor and coach them as they open those doors themselves.”


~ regarding the The McNair and AANAPISI programs



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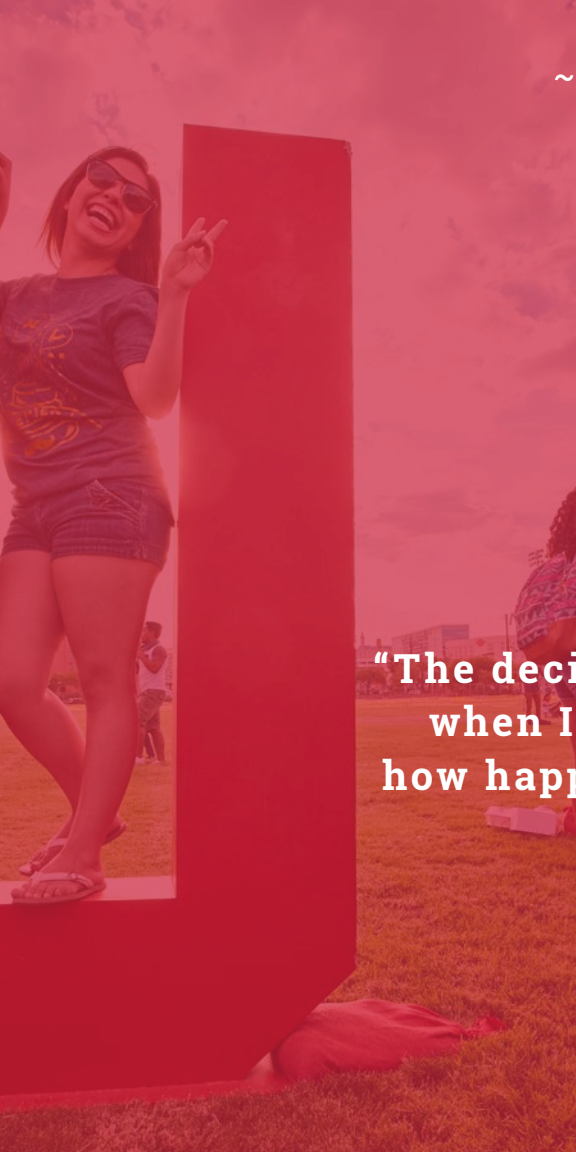
I have encountered more approaches to teaching and different perspectives here than in all of my educational background. Everyone is aware of this trait of our university community and we embrace and foster it.”

~ regarding diversity



“UNLV is so good about promoting the veterans. No one embodies the UNLV slogan of ‘Daring, Different, and Diverse’ more so than the Rebel Vets.”

~ regarding Rebel Vets



“The deciding factor for me to come to UNLV happened when I came for my on-campus interview and saw how happy everyone was here and that it seemed very genuine.”

~ regarding working at UNLV



DIFFERENT.

DARING.

DIVERSE.

UNLV

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