

Accreditation: Criterion 5

Engagement and Service: *As called for by its mission, the organization identifies its constituencies and serves them in ways both value.*

Engagement and service are embedded in the organizational structure, including four community colleges, the Cooperative Extension Service, the Agricultural Experiment Station, and the New Mexico Department of Agriculture. NMSU has further expanded its ability to address the needs of New Mexico's citizenry through the appointment of a Vice Provost for **University-wide Outreach**.

NMSU faculty, staff and students are dedicated to serving external and internal constituencies in a climate where service learning and community engagement are valued. **Service** is explicitly recognized in the newly adopted promotion and tenure guidelines and in annual performance evaluations.

NMSU is proud of the service contributions of its **students**. Campus student organizations, fraternities, sororities and students athletes regularly participate in community service and philanthropic fundraising events.

The university system actively seeks **input from constituents** through advisory boards, surveys and town hall meetings. The information is used to revise existing programs and services, and develop new ones according to constituent needs.

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