WHAT IS THE ACADEMIC ADVISOR’S ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION AT UNM?
The Global Education Office is a one-stop shop for students in all things international

- **International Admissions and Recruitment** - Admission of international degree-seeking students at Associate, Bachelor, Master, and Doctoral levels
- **International Student and Scholar Services** - Immigration advisement, adjustment and arrival support, activities for students, and workshops
- **Education Abroad** - Lobos studying overseas through exchange partnerships and welcoming students from partner universities for one or two semesters of study
- **Center for English Language and American Culture** - College preparatory intensive English language courses

Located in Mesa Vista Hall Room 2120
Why Is International Education Important?

- Classrooms with diverse students inspire and motivate domestic students to pursue opportunities for themselves, in the US or abroad.

- Studies show students who study abroad have better grades, experience less attrition, and graduate from college at higher rates than students who do not study abroad. ([http://globaledresearch.com/study-abroad-impact.asp](http://globaledresearch.com/study-abroad-impact.asp))

- Eighty-three (83%) percent of Americans agree that our nation is better off when more of our students are internationally educated and understand other cultures and languages. (NAFSA 2016 Election Eve Poll)

- In New Mexico, international students contribute approximately $93 million to the state economy. (NAFSA Economic Analysis, 2016-2017)
What are International Lobos Studying at UNM?

Fall 2017 Enrollment Statistics

- Undergraduate: 690
- Graduate: 368
- Exchange/Guest: 153
- Intensive English: 63
- Certificate Programs: 6
Where are Lobos Studying Abroad?
What’s Your Role in International Education at UNM?
Tips for Advising Outbound Students

- Endorse study abroad - there is an opportunity for everybody
- Connect students with GEO advisors - we are here to help you
- Consider strategies to help your department support internationalization of the curriculum
- Remind faculty and administration of the value of study abroad
Study Abroad Transfer Credit Process

- Students will be going to ACCREDITED PROGRAMS – credit will transfer back.
- Students must Communicate with their academic advisors throughout the process – when to go, where, what courses to take.
- Course Equivalency Form
  - Pre or post travel
- More info: https://studyabroad.unm.edu/section/credit-transfer
What I Needed Most from an Advisor

- Guidance on adding/switching courses during the first week of school. I am last to register not because I want to be - I have no other choice
- Explanation of UNM-specific acronyms/offices (SUB, One-Stop)
- Help with a degree-plan to factor in my transfer work
- Explanation of prerequisite coursework
- Help petitioning transfer courses for UNM credit
- Guidance on late-starting or second half-courses when a course doesn’t go so well so I can keep good-standing with US Immigration
- Cultural Sensitivity - things work differently in my home country, and I may need additional support, explanation, and understanding
Assisting Students with International Transfer Coursework

- Review Lobo Trax for transfer credit
- Explain Transferability vs. Application Toward Degree
- Students complete International Transfer Evaluation Form and ask department to review
- Students must have course syllabi or descriptions attached with certified translation, if necessary
- Academic dept. will evaluate course
- Dept. submits form to Lobo Trax team (tes1@unm.edu) so that degree audit is updated
Questions and/or Suggestions?

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