



Office of the Chancellor

## Chancellor Weekly Brief | 12.4.2020 Dr. James Malm

### FALL HOME STRETCH.

Welcome to this week’s brief, where we are moving the format around a bit to deliver a recap of UNM-Gallup activity and providing you with an overview of things to come via video that we will post each week on our Website, social media channels, and deliver through your UNM email. The intent, of course, is to keep you updated as a member of our campus community so that you have the information you need to succeed at UNM-Gallup.

As we returned this week from our Thanksgiving Break, we begin the final home stretch of this hybrid fall semester. While we’ve concluded the governor’s two-week shelter-in-place order, we are now operating within a new “Red to Green” tier system that provides each county with some flexibility as we continue to fight this pandemic. McKinley County remains in the strictest Red category, so that means we must continue to adhere to social distancing, wearing a face mask in public, and not congregating in groups.

This pandemic has not been easy, and I am so proud of all of you for your continued hard work and study as we persevere through these trying times. Next week is our finals week, which begins on December 7th and concludes on December 12th. I wish all of our students the best as they complete this semester as strongly as possible.

### VIRTUAL HOLIDAY MAGIC CELEBRATION

Like most celebrations scheduled for December 12th, we are moving the celebration to December 10th.

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[gallup.unm.edu/virtual](https://gallup.unm.edu/virtual)  
VIRTUAL GRADUATION CELEBRATIONS

We cannot be any prouder of the Class of 2020, which is a part of our history. I join with our entire community in providing congratulations and would like to let our fall graduates know that we will continue to support your ability.

At this time—due to our state’s public health orders—we are unable to celebrate fall graduates as planned. Instead, we will honor your achievement through our social media channels. We are also scheduling a professional recording of the ceremony.

