



The Raza Excellence Outstanding Student Award is given annually to celebrate and honor the accomplishments of distinguished Raza (Latin@/Hispan@/Chican@) graduating students at the University of New Mexico. The recipients of this award are champions in the areas of leadership, educational achievement and community/campus involvement. Raza Excellence Awardees will be honored at UNM’s Annual Recognition Reception on Friday, April 20, 2018.

**Submission Deadline: Wednesday, March 7, 2018**

**Eligibility criteria:**

- Self-identify as Raza (Latin@/Hispan@/Chican@)
- Within one semester of graduating
- Enrolled as degree-seeking undergraduate, graduate, or professional student
- Currently enrolled at UNM-Main Campus
- Participation in campus and community organizations
- Proven leadership in the Raza community
- Academic achievements and accomplishments

Both the Nominee and Nominator forms must be submitted in order for an application to be considered complete. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Submit Completed Applications to:

El Centro de la Raza  
ATTN: Alejandro Mendiaz-Rivera  
MSC 06 3830  
1148 Mesa Vista Hall  
Albuquerque, NM 87131

2018 Raza Excellence Outstanding Student Award

**Nominator Form**

(To be completed by Nominator ONLY)

**Nominator's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Department/Organization :** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship to nominee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check the option that applies to you:**

Faculty     Staff     Administrator     Alumni     Community/Org. Leader

**Please rate the nominee in each category below using the following scale:**

**5-** Truly outstanding (top 10%) **4-** Superior **3-** Above average **2-** Average **1-** Below average  
**X** - Inadequate knowledge to rate

Academic Performance	_____
Participation in Campus Activities and Organizations	_____
Leadership Quality (vision, drive, passion, dedication)	_____
Service to community	_____
Champion for Raza (Latin@/Hispan@/Chican@) communities	_____

**Letter of Support**

Provide information and examples that support any of the following categories that apply to the student you are nominating (2 pages max, double spaced).

*Resiliency*

- Demonstrate outstanding achievements in their academics despite overcoming obstacles throughout their academic career at UNM (financial, language, single parent etc.)

*Community*

- The nominee has championed for and/or made a significant impact on New Mexico's Raza community.
- How is this student a champion and agent of change in the Raza community?

*Leadership*

- How is the student paving a path for future Raza students?
- Does this student demonstrate clear intent to continue to be a leader in their community in the future?

*Scholarship*

- Maintained outstanding academic performance while at UNM.

