

# University of New Mexico

# New Mexico News Port; Local News Fellowship

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# Partnership

There are two programs: the Local News Fellowship Program, which sets up 4-5 recent graduates from state colleges with news reporting positions at New Mexico news outlets for nine months; and the internship program, where students work as paid interns for eight weeks during the summer. Another program, New Mexico News Port, is a lab for publication, innovation and collaboration between student journalists and the larger local news ecosystem.

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#### Websites

New Mexico Local News Fellowships

New Mexico News Port

#### Collaborators

Varies by year.

## **Impacts**

Over 1,000 stories published with New Mexico News Port.

#### Students

22,000 at the University of New Mexico

9 in the fellowships and internships per year

#### Student work

Assigned by individual outlets.

#### Student funding

Newsrooms that partner for fellowship are paid to employ students for nine months (~\$26,000/fellow; or \$3,000/intern for eight weeks in summer.)

## Funding sources

~\$175,000 grant - Democracy Fund and other donors via the New Mexico Local News Fund (nmlocalnews.org/), a project of the Santa Fe Community Foundation.