The *Project for New Mexico Graduates of Color* (PNMGC) stands in solidarity with El Centro de la Raza to denounce recent comments made by an officer of the University of New Mexico Police Department.

As a program with the core mission of upholding the academic, social, cultural, and emotional support for graduate and undergraduate students of color, we strongly believe that the social media post and comments of the UNMPD officer are entirely against PNMGC’s and the university’s inclusion and equality. Moreover, PNMGC and its members recognize and have experienced the detrimental effects of this kind of behavior. This behavior can be a barrier to excellence for many marginalized students. The University of New Mexico students are deserving of a community that is respectful of their differences and considers diversity a strength.

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