



NAU-Yuma Year in Review

This has been an interesting and exciting year of transitions for NAU-Yuma. As the first official Branch Campus of the University, one of our first initiatives was to develop a campus-based mission and vision that complements the University's. This was accomplished with the input and feedback from numerous people on and off campus. Based on their efforts, we now have a Strategic Plan that focuses our efforts on achieving the new vision and mission, to serve the evolving higher educational needs of the diverse communities of Lower Colorado River Region. Henceforth all our endeavors will be in pursuit of that goal.

This year there were a number of other *milestones*. They include:

- Federal Designation as an Hispanic Serving Institution
- Successful North Central Accreditation Visit
- Establishment of a Community-Based Advisory Board
- Award of "Quality Teaching in Science Partnerships" Grant
- Award of Science Equipping Teachers Inspiring Students grant
- Service Members Opportunity Colleges membership approval
- Establishment of an NAU-Yuma Writing Center

We also have a few *new program offerings*, including:

- Bachelor of Science in Biology
- Bachelor of Business Administration with three tracks:
 - o General Management
 - o Global Business
 - o Small Business
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing at YRMC
- Speech Pathology bridge program leading to a Masters in Speech Pathology

Additionally, we have been working with the College of Education in Flagstaff and the Arizona Department of Education to develop an independent NAU-Yuma Institutional Recommendation for our Elementary and Secondary Education programs. The final review for this approval this coming Spring.

We have also been working closely with AWC faculty, the local Engineering community, GYEDC, and YPG on the development of an Integrated Engineering bachelor's degree.

Some of the *partnership activity* with which we have been engaged over the past year includes:

- Participation in the federal WIRED (Workforce Investment in Regional Economic Development) grant, which was awarded to the four border counties in October.
- Participation in a Border College Consortium to facilitate both English as a Second Language Teacher training programs as well as other bi-national programmatic agreements.
- Partnership with GYEDC and YPG to pursue an Engineering program at NAU-Yuma
- Partnership with BLM on monitoring Lower Colorado River riparian systems
- Partnership with Yuma Fine Arts to bring three Hispanic Artists to Yuma
- Partnerships with AWC on Dual Admissions, joint grants to serve students, joint scholarships, and on shared facilities.
- Partnership with all local school districts
- Partnership with One Book Yuma

Student Successes:

- Gold Axe Award recipient
- Goldwater Scholarship recipient
- Outstanding Senior for the College of Social & Behavioral Sciences
- 3 National Science Foundation Summer Research Experience recipients, one each for Harvard, Kansas State, and NAU-Flagstaff

Student Internships:

- **Biology** - USGS, BLM
- **Business** - GYEDC
- **Community & School Counseling** - Arizona's Children Association, Arizona Baptist Association, Excel Group, Community Intervention Association, ACTS of Yuma, Catholic Community Services, Chicanos por la Causa, Yuma Elementary Union District 1, Yuma High School District, San Luis High School, Crane School District, Wellton School District, Gadsden School District, Somerton School District,
- **Education and Leadership** – Six local School Districts
- **Social Work** –Child Protective Services, Campesinos Sin Fronteras, MCAS Substance Abuse Program, Imperial County Behavioral Health, Kelly Center, Imperial County Commission for Child and Family Services, Imperial County Office of Education
- Additionally BSW and ED Leadership students provided over 9,000 hours of public service

Sample Faculty Engaged Scholarship:

- Dr. McCarthy edited Teaching Psychology Around the World, Cambridge Scholars Publishers.
- Dr. Hess & Mr. Walker co-editors of “Arizona Teaching English as a Second Language Newsletter”
- Dr. Glass editor “Association for Science Teacher Education Newsletter”
- Dr. Stutler presented “Gifted Girls and Self Actualization” at the SAGE conference in Alberta, CA
- Dr. Lewis facilitated and taught for the Arizona Risk and Retention Fund and the NAU Leaders and Lawyers School Law Academies
- Dr. Ferrell presented “War Without Law, War Without End: Domestic and International Pressures for Peace in Columbia, 1999-2007” at the Pacific Coast Council on Latin American Studies
- Dr. Garzón presented “Representación femenina en las obras de Alicia Yáñez Cossó” at the Latin American Association’s International Conference in Montreal, CA

Other Initiatives that we have been engaged in and preparing for include:

- Student Orientation Sessions
- Delivery of Phi Theta Kappa Satellite Seminar Series
- Student participation in Flagstaff Undergraduate Research Showcase
- Survey of the Business Community to identify student internship possibilities
- Development of an Honors Course
- Marketing Campaign spearheaded by Lipman Hearne
- ABOR Solutions for Our Future Campaign

Upcoming Events:

January	Town Hall Discussion with Regent DuVal and President Haeger
January 7th	NAU Woodwind Quintet and Kokopelli Ensemble
January 27th	NAU Yuma Classic Film Series - Most Sundays through April 6 Schedule and title to be announced soon.
February 5th-6th	“Body Mapping for Musicians” – NAU Music Faculty Member, David Vining
February 22nd	NAU-Yuma 20th Anniversary Kick Off Event, Downtown Yuma Block Party
April 8th	Celebration of Achievement – Student Research Showcase

Thank you for your support of NAU-Yuma. This past year has been exciting, and we are looking forward to evolving as we try to meet the Greater Yuma Region’s economic development needs. All of us at NAU-Yuma wish you the very best for the Holiday Season and the coming year.



NAU-Yuma Statistics

17	# of full-time faculty
2	# of full-time faculty appointments in final stages of search process (Criminal Justice & Biology)
2	# of AWC/NAU-Yuma program coordinators
14	# of AWC faculty teaching regularly for NAU-Yuma
10	# of staff (1 Financial Aid, 2 Counselors, 1 Program Assistant – Student Services, 1 Program Assistant – Academic Affairs, 2 Help Desk/Computer Support – shared with AWC, 1 Senior Media Specialist – shared with AWC, 1 Chief Operations Officer, 1 Campus Executive Officer)
1	# of librarians

Student Statistics

Spring 2007 Semester		Fall 2007 Semester	
647	# of Students Spring Semester	662	# of Students Fall Semester
382	# of Undergraduate students	388	# of Undergraduate students
265	# of Graduate students	274	# of Graduate students
93	# May '07 Graduates		
49	# Summer '07 Graduates		
77	# December '07 Graduates		
219	Total Number of Graduates		
19	# of on-site degree programs		
10	# of DL degree programs with Yuma students		
2	# of degree programs available through Yuma & DL		
1	# of Doctoral programs		





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