

Summer Graduate Bridge Project At The University Of New Mexico

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Abstract

Through a grant funded by the Western Alliance to Expand Student Opportunities (WAESO) at Arizona State University since prior to 2005, the Engineering Student Services at the University of New Mexico has molded a successful summer residential program entitled “Graduate Bridge Project”. The intent is to bring together a small group of minority and/or non-minority students from throughout the United States focusing on graduate education and career opportunities in the areas of business, math, science and engineering in the State of New Mexico. The summer program is designed for each student to mentor each other as they have varied social and academic backgrounds. Another important aspect of the program is for participants to meet with current UNM SOE graduate students doing research that summer which may help them clarify their area of graduate study or research they wish to follow. A series of workshop and field trips are designed to offer educational, technological, career, morale, health & welfare current topics to the participants. The goal is to offer experience and information that will lead the participants to become fully informed on the qualifications and expectations upon entering graduate school in engineering. The author will present about the techniques used by the Graduate Bridge Project to enhance students’ interest in graduate school.