



2011

Dear University Instructor:

We have begun planning for *La Cosecha 2011*, which will take place at the Albuquerque Convention Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico on November 16-19, 2011. This year's conference theme is "***Reforzando puentes entre idiomas: Strengthening bridges between our languages and cultures.***" University students pursuing careers in bilingual education have been an important part of past conferences, serving as volunteers, while being exposed to quality professional development. Dual Language Education of New Mexico is committed to continuing to support the student intern role at our conference by providing up to 25 scholarships for student interns.

The Planning Committee would like to extend an invitation to students from the following universities to participate as conference interns at La Cosecha 2011: University of New Mexico, College of Santa Fe, New Mexico State University, Highlands University, Eastern New Mexico University, Western New Mexico University and University of Texas at El Paso. Student interns will have the opportunity to attend high quality sessions presented by practitioners and academicians in the area of Dual Language Education. They will be able to network with teachers and administrators from the region who are planning and implementing dual language programs, and they will be part of the team that

The Student Intern scholarship includes the following:

- Full registration to the conference: Includes admission to all conference workshops and lunch on Thursday and Friday, November 17 and 18, 2011.

In exchange for the scholarship, each Student Intern must commit to the following:

1. A pre-conference orientation on November 12, 2011. The student will receive more information on the time and location with their confirmation letter. During this time the student will receive training for the responsibilities expected during the conference. We will also be stuffing the conference tote bags that will be distributed to conference participants
2. A maximum of 10 full hours of volunteer work before and during the conference.

Selection criterion:

- Pre-service or other students not currently employed by a school or school district
- Interest in dual language education
- Demonstrated commitment to working with English Language Learners and Native English Speaking Students in a Dual Language Classroom
- Ability to meet work requirements as explained in the attached Student Intern Scholarship Application.
- Letter of endorsement from university professor on a University letterhead. The student will upload this letter with their Student Intern Scholarship Application.
- Application must be received by **September 23, 2011**.
- The student intern application is available at: <http://lacosecha.dlenm.org>

Please distribute the flyers in the packet to your students. All the information for the conference is in noted on the flyer. Thank you for your assistance.

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