This newsletter reaches to our community, beyond just the UNM-Taos students, faculty and staff, so we wanted to make people aware of information resources that are available to all New Mexico citizens.

The New Mexico State Library subsidizes the costs for resources to help those across the state for everything from homework help for K-16 students to entrepreneurs to history buffs. The State Library supplies four bookmobiles, or “libraries on wheels”, that travel to small, rural communities in New Mexico, but they also supply 24/7 access to information and resources online.

The two resources we would like focus on are the Gale Infotrac databases and Brainfuse. These can be accessed by going to YOUR UNM-Taos Library website at <taos.unm.edu/library> or to the State Library website at www.elportalnm.org.

If you go to the State Library website, the Gale resources are separated by grade level for Elementary, Middle, and High School students, and include access to articles, images, and multimedia tools. There is also a Complete Resource list where you can find databases indexing articles from magazines, journals, and newspapers for everything from the Culinary Arts Collection to Health Reference Center to the Small Business Resource Center.

Brainfuse includes two modules: HelpNow and JobNow. From 2pm - 11pm HelpNow provides students of all ages with live online tutoring and homework help in English and Spanish, and also includes 24/7 access to a comprehensive library of interactive tests, including academic skills assessments, standardized tests, and New Mexico-aligned tests. JobNow provides career resources, resume and interview help.

Brainfuse can be accessed on the homepage of YOUR UNM-Taos Library website and the Gale Infotrac databases are on the Research Databases page.

Please keep in mind that UNM-Taos is a community college so the UNM-Taos Library is a community library. Anyone can come in and use the computers to access the above resources and more importantly, get friendly, knowledgeable assistance to help navigate your way through the information superhighway.

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On our Website:

- Brainfuse
- Southwest Research Center
- Mango Languages
- OWL Online Writing Lab
- Research Databases
- Interlibrary Loan services

In Our Library:

- 12 PCs, 2 iMacs, a Multi-Function Printer/Copier/Scanner
- Internet Access, Books, Magazines, Journals
- Information Literacy Instruction

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