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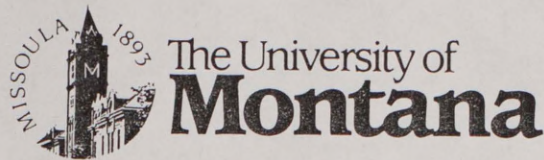
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## NEWS RELEASE

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### APPLICATIONS WANTED FOR SPRING BREAK SERVICE PROJECTS

#### MISSOULA –

University of Montana students are invited to apply for one of two alternative spring break programs, which will take place in either California or New Mexico.

Offered by the Office for Civic Engagement, the programs will focus on teamwork and community outreach. They are scheduled for March 19 - 27. Three short pre-trip seminars and group meetings will take place prior to the trips.

Twelve UM students will have the chance to travel to Arcata, Calif., and work with Friends of the Dunes, an organization dedicated to removing invasive vegetation and restoring sand dunes in estuarial areas of northern California. Students will identify native and invasive plants, as well as assist in community outreach programs.

The other project will send seven students to Gallup, N.M., where they will work with the National Indian Youth Leadership Project to design and implement experiential projects of their own with assistance from the program's hosts.

The trip to Arcata costs \$225, and the Gallup trip is \$375. For more information on the programs or to apply, visit the Office for Civic Engagement in Social Sciences Room 126 or go online to the OCE Web site at <http://www.umt.edu/dhc/occe>. Applications are due as soon as possible.

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