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The University of New Mexico awarded Jessica Marie Jaramillo of Tucumcari the Alumni Citizenship Award at the 2008 Recognition Reception April 10.

Jaramillo is the daughter of Gary and Gail Balzano of Tucumcari. She attended Tucumcari High School and will earn her Bachelor's of Arts in Political Science and Spanish from UNM. She studied at the University of Granada in Granada, Spain as well as at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst.

While attending UNM, Jaramillo was a part of the Associated Students of the University of New Mexico (ASUNM) where she served as student senator and elections commissioner. She was also a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority, and has completed more than 100 hours of community service.

She served as an intern with state Rep. Roberto "Bobby" Gonzales at the New Mexico Legislature and will be spending the summer in Washington, D.C. interning at U.S. Sen. Jeff Bingaman's office.

Jaramillo intends to apply to law school in the near future.

The Alumni Citizenship Award recognizes endeavor, helpfulness, good spirit, and cooperation and is given to a select number of seniors who demonstrate outstanding leadership skills and have provided continued service to the University and the community.

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