

## News Release

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### **NASPA announces 2014 election results**

*Frank Lamas, VP of Student Affairs at UTA, elected as Board Chair*

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The leadership of NASPA-Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education, is pleased to announce the results from the January 2014 election.

Frank Lamas, vice president for student affairs at the University of Texas Arlington (UT Arlington), was selected as the new Board Chair. He will serve as Chair-Elect in 2014, becoming Board Chair in March of 2015.

Lamas is responsible for coordinating and managing the resources of the UT-Arlington Division of Student Affairs to meet the needs of students and the University community, which entails administering a budget of approximately \$17.5 million, 180 professional staff members and 600 student staff. UT Arlington currently has a total enrollment of close to 34,000 undergraduate and graduate students and has 5,300 students living on campus as of Fall 2012. He is responsible for overseeing 25 University departments and programs.

Lamas was born in Havana, Cuba and raised in Syracuse, New York. He is a first generation college student. He received a bachelor's degree from the State University of New York at Potsdam, master's degree from the State University of New York at Albany and a Ph.D. from the State University of New York at Albany in Educational Administration and Policy Studies with a concentration in Higher Education Administration. His dissertation and research interests include social and academic determinants of retention/student success among college students.

He is involved in a number of state, regional, and national professional organizations. Currently, he serves on the national board of NASPA. He has also served on the NASPA state board and has been the chair of the Council of Student Services Vice Presidents (COSS/VP) organization since 2010.

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