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## Las Vegas Business Academy to Introduce Inaugural UNLV College of Engineering Fellowship

*Bob Morse and Scott Sibella to give keynote addresses*

LAS VEGAS (Aug. 11, 2017) — The Las Vegas Business Academy (LVBA) will unveil its inaugural UNLV Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering fellowship recipient at a special ceremony, Wednesday, Aug. 30 at 11 a.m. inside the Great Hall of Engineering on the UNLV campus.

Bob Morse, Caesars Entertainment’s president of hospitality, and Scott Sibella, MGM Grand’s president and COO, will give the keynote speeches, discussing the importance of mentoring the next generation of Las Vegas entrepreneurs.

The fellowship is a highly selective program that cultivates and enriches professional growth via a high-level research project tailored to the fellow’s interest. Study area can include, but are not limited to: computer science, mechanical engineering, civil engineering, and electrical engineering.

“There are so many incredible UNLV students, and we are thrilled to be welcoming the first Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering student to the LVBA family,” said Amy Lee, LVBA’s executive director. “He or she will have the opportunity to learn from our city’s titans of industry. Most importantly, our scholarship recipient has committed to living and working in Las Vegas after graduation.”

“LVBA’s mission of developing local talent to grow local technology businesses is in sync with the College of Engineering’s mission of ‘Educate, Engage, Inspire and Innovate’,” said Rama Venkat, dean of the Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering. “Our goal is to develop skilled employees as well as entrepreneurs who can create new engineering and technology business ventures. With this partnership, our students receive not only funds to pursue their research, but access to some of the area’s top industry experts who can open doors and opportunities for them to work and contribute here locally that they may not have been aware of previously.”

The soon-to-be selected engineering fellow represents LVBA’s pledge to offer scholarship opportunities to students across a broad suite of study areas.

For more information about LVBA, visit [www.lvbanv.org](http://www.lvbanv.org) or follow LVBA on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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**About Las Vegas Business Academy:**

Founded in 2011 by Rino Armeni, Las Vegas Business Academy (LVBA) is a nonprofit organization devoted to providing scholarship funds for students pursuing a master's degree at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV). LVBA's program offers selected graduate students educational enrichment, professional development, financial support and unparalleled externship and mentoring resources with top-tier industry leaders in an effort to establish Nevada's next generation of leaders. For more information, visit Las Vegas Business Academy's [website](#) or call 702.998.2138.

**About UNLV:**

UNLV is a doctoral-degree-granting institution of approximately 29,000 students and more than 3,000 faculty and staff that is classified by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching as a research university with high research activity. UNLV offers a broad range of respected academic programs and is on a path to join the top tier of national public research universities. The university is committed to recruiting and retaining top students and faculty, educating the region's diversifying population and workforce, driving economic activity through increased research and community partnerships, and creating an academic health center for Southern Nevada that includes the launch of a new School of Medicine. UNLV is located on a 332-acre main campus and two satellite campuses in Southern Nevada. Learn more at [UNLV.edu](http://UNLV.edu).