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The UNLV International Gaming Institute, the Nevada Council on Problem Gambling, and the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health partner each year to support graduate students across Nevada whose research focuses on gambling-related harm.

Andres Carrasco Lee Business School, UNLV
When Trust Goes Broke: Financial Trust, Role Reversal, and Adult Children of Gambling-Affected Parents

Shawn Christopher Finance, UNLV
Gambling by another name? Prediction Markets, the Licensing Gap, and Risks to Nevada's College Students

Tazveen Fariha Public Health, UNLV
Gambling-Related Social Media Exposure and Gambling Outcomes Among College Students: A Cross-Sectional Study at UNLV

Claudia Quynh Luu Psychology, UNLV
Psychological Mechanisms that Underlie People's Engagement in Problem Gaming, Gambling, and In-Game Spending

Tom Naar Psychology, UNLV
A New Era of Sports Wagering: Prediction Markets and App-Based Betting

Chencong Ren College of Hospitality, UNLV
Does Betting Speed Signal Gambling Problems? A Sportsbook Simulation Study

Reshika Rimal Biostatistics, UNR
Financial Strain and Gambling Risk Indicators in Nevada: Effect Modification by Emotional Support

Gillian Swinney Social Work, UNLV
Understanding Gambling Disorder Among Adolescents and Young Adults: A Qualitative Study

Karin Tidgewell William Boyd School of Law, UNLV
"The More You Know": Exploring Legislative, Regulatory, and Policy Actions to Educate Youth on Risks of Underage Betting

Samantha Wells College of Teaching and Learning, UNLV
Beyond Self-Report: Designing a Game-Based Stealth Assessment of Gambling Severity

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