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**1. Name**

Scholes Hall

**2. Location**

**street & number:** UNM campus south of Roma Ave.  
**city, town:** Albuquerque **state:** New Mexico **code:** 035  
**county:** Bernalillo **code:** NM-001

**3. Classification**

**Category:** Building  
**Ownership:** Public  
**Status:** Occupied  
**Present Use:** Office

**4. Owner of Property**

**name:** Regents of the University of New Mexico  
**street & number:** Scholes Hall, University of New Mexico  
**city, town:** Albuquerque **state:** New Mexico

**5. Location of Legal Description**

**courthouse, etc.:** Bernalillo County Courthouse  
**street & number:** One Civic Plaza  
**city, town:** Albuquerque **state:** New Mexico

**6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

Scholes Hall is on the State Register of Historic Places.

**7. Description**

**Condition:** Good

**Description:** Scholes Hall is a slightly asymmetrical Spanish Pueblo Revival Style building with two-story east and west wings and a recessed three-story central block with "bell towers". It has a flat roof with exposed exterior vigas, hand carved balconies, and precast concrete spandrels. Windows are 6/6 and 6/9 double hung wood slightly recessed with concrete sills. The north and south entries on each of the east and west wings have double leaf wood doors with eight lites in each door, side lites and transom lites. The south entrance in the central block has solid wood raised panel double leaf doors. The building was designed by John Gaw Meem and built in 1934 for class rooms. It houses administration at present. The building has an "I" shape.

**8. Significance**

**Period:** 1900-  
**Areas of Significance:** Architecture  
**Dates:** 1934  
**Builder/Architect:** John Gaw Meem

**Statement of Significance, Criterion C:** Scholes Hall is one of six buildings on the campus of the University of New Mexico to be included in this nomination. Scholes Hall significant because it was John Gaw Meem's first major work at UNM. John Gaw Meem deserves more credit than any other

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individual for the conservation, development and propagation of the southwestern regional style architecture, which finds its greatest expression in the Rio Grande Valley of New Mexico. Meem is best known for his Pueblo Revival Style architecture; however, he excelled at adapting other architectural styles to have distinctly southwestern flavors. The Rogers Administration Building at New Mexico Highlands University and the Graham gymnasium at Western New Mexico University are excellent examples. Meem is the only architect, other than George Williamson, to design buildings on three different New Mexico campuses. Scholes Hall was modeled after the mission church at Acoma Pueblo. Pueblo style architecture such as the church at Acoma played a major role in the development of the Spanish Pueblo Revival Style. Scholes Hall was built using WPA funding.

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

**10. Geographic Data**

**Acreage:** 1.03 acres  
**Quadrangle name & scale:** Albuquerque East Quadrangle; 1:24,000

**UTM References:**

<b>Zone</b>	<b>Easting</b>	<b>Northing</b>
13	352050	3883525

**Verbal boundary description and justification:** On the lands of the University of New Mexico beginning at the western end of Roma Ave. where it turns north, proceed in a southeasterly direction 200 feet to the east-west sidewalk; turn east and proceed 300 feet to the north-south walk on the western edge of the duck pond; turn north and proceed 150 feet; turn west and proceed 350 feet in a northwesterly direction to the point of origin (note: this verbal boundary description is not a legal filed description for Scholes Hall. All buildings on UNM campus are described as being "on the lands of the University of New Mexico" in the records at the Bernalillo County Courthouse. This description is the area around the building measured and described for the Historic Register generally using a landmark as a beginning and ending point for easier reference).

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