

The Task Force to Advance Latino/a Student Affairs Professionals At Community Colleges

The Latino/a Task Force (NASPA CCD LTF), led by Dr. Maggie de la Teja and Dr. Eddie Martinez, seeks to advance current and aspiring student affairs professionals of Latino descent who wish to work in community colleges. The Latino/a Task Force recognizes the growing need for Latino student affairs professionals, especially at community colleges where the majority of Latino students start in higher education. Increasing the presence of Latino student affairs professionals at community colleges will not only allow Latino students to see themselves reflected in the educational environment, but also allow them to recognize the field of student affairs as a viable career choice.

In October of 2015, the NASPA CCD LTF was selected as one of the nearly 150 public and private sector organizations who answered the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics' 25th anniversary call to action.

MISSION STATEMENT

“The mission of the NASPA Community Colleges Division Latino Task Force is to execute its plan, with an association-wide impact, to advance Latinos in the profession of student affairs who aspire to or currently work in community colleges.”

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“The CCD LTF gives me the opportunity to engage with other Latino community college leaders from across the nation to discuss the issues and challenges facing Latino students. As a LTF member, I enjoy collaborating with other NASPA members and finding ways to improve the student experience for all students of color.”

Tony Cruz, Ed.D.

Vice President, Enrollment Management and Student Affairs
Sinclair Community College

“Being a member of the CCD LTF from its inception provides me the opportunity to contribute to the success of Latino students and professionals in a meaningful way. The LTF serves as a reminder that our work continues. For me, it's a personal win being a part of the national conversation to address the needs of Latino professionals working in community colleges.”

Edward Martinez, Ed.D.

Assistant Dean of Student Services/Director of Counseling
Suffolk County Community College

“I feel elated to be a part of NASPA during the time and space when we have created the CCD LTF. NASPA welcomes and supports Latino student affairs professionals working at community colleges and advocates for the success of all students.”

Magdalena H. de la Teja, Ph.D.

Vice President for Student Development Services
Tarrant County College, Northeast Campus



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