

Introducing Our New Program Manager

Jeanette Rojas joined our office on October 7, 2019 as the equity and inclusion program manager. Ms. Rojas has over 20 years of experience in education program management and social justice advocacy that started when she was one of the founders of the first Latina Sorority at the University of Maryland, College Park. After receiving her bachelor's degree in psychology from UMCP she worked in advocacy organizations such as the National Council of La Raza (now known as Unidos Us) as a senior resource development specialist, the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute as a programs manager, and the Parent Institute for Quality Education as a director. Working in these organizations helped her realize that her true calling was in the field of education. She received her master's degree in education and human development from George Washington University.

Empowering students through education and advocacy work have helped her understand the importance of equity and inclusion not only in educational institutions but in all facets of the community. She has worked as an ESOL teacher, mentor and as an Achieving Collegiate Excellence and Success (ACES) academic coach with Montgomery College. She has served in various committees within ACES including being the chair for the programmatic evaluations committee, the Universities at Shady Grove and ACES curriculum committee, and the student participation protocol committee. She is a proud Leadership Development Institute graduate (2018) where she presented a leadership curriculum for first generation students as her final project. During her free time, she enjoys volunteering with the PTA and for Girl Scouts as a Brownie troop leader.