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SKYLINE COLLEGE ADMINISTRATOR SELECTED FOR PRESTIGIOUS LEADERSHIP FELLOWS PROGRAM

San Bruno, California – May 14, 2019: Skyline College announces Angélica Garcia, Ed.D., vice president of student services has been chosen to participate in the prestigious National Community College Hispanic Council (NCCHC) Leadership Development Program as a 2019 fellow.

Garcia is one of 24 members of the 2019 fellow class selected from community college candidates from around the country. The prestigious program is hosted by the University of San Diego School of Leadership and Education Sciences and is designed to develop a pool of highly qualified Latin(as)os whose career interest focuses on assuming increasingly responsible administrative positions, with the ultimate goal of becoming a community college president. The NCCHC Leadership Fellows Program was selected as a finalist in the 2019 “Examples of Excelencia” national showcase.
"Preparing strong leaders for the future is the primary purpose of the National Community College Hispanic Council’s Leadership Fellows Program,” said NCCHC President, Robert Vela. “A demographic shift is occurring in the United States and we are preparing new leaders who can model the way for the growing Hispanic population our community colleges serve. Through this program, fellows gain the necessary knowledge and skills they need to lead higher education into the future and positively impact the economic and civic success of their respective communities."

“We are excited and proud that Dr. Garcia has been chosen to participate in such an important leadership growth opportunity,” said Regina Stanback Stroud, president of Skyline College. “Skyline College strives to consistently promote excellence in leadership. We like to say we show up differently at Skyline College. We look forward to Dr. Garcia bringing back to campus new perspectives and embodying the type of leadership we work to foster in order to make a difference in students’ lives."

Components of the Leadership Fellows Program include two residential training seminars. The first begins in June as fellows are in residence at the University of San Diego. Each fellow prepares an individualized professional development plan and engages in a mentoring relationship with a Hispanic community college leader, as well as attending the NCCHC Leadership Symposium in the fall and carrying out online activities in between sessions.
NCCHC is an affiliated council of the American Association of Community Colleges, a national organization that has provided leadership to the community college movement for the past half-century. The Council, which was established 30 years ago, works to promote the educational interests and success of the Hispanic community and emphasizes access, equity and excellence for students and staff in community colleges. One of the first ventures was to offer a leadership development program, with support from the Ford Foundation. Of the original 72 fellows, more than 15 are now community college presidents.

During the past two years, more than 60 former Leadership Fellows have moved to positions of increased responsibility as executive level administrators, including chancellors, vice-chancellors, and presidents. Since the program's inception, more than 250 community college administrators have participated as leadership fellows.

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