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Dedication Book

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*Para nuestras familias, amigos,
profesores, y a toda persona quien nos
ayudo cumplir neustros suenos.*



*For our family, friends, professors, and
anyone who helped us make our dreams
come true.*





Doctorate



Doctorados



Alicia Bencomo Garcia

School of Education

Ph.D in Education

Hometown: San Joaquin, CA



Mama y Papa, terminamos! Este doctorado es tanto suyo como mio porque lo logre gracias a sus sacrificios, cariño y apoyo que me an brindado desde niña. Espero que con este logro tan grande, se sientan orgullos de mi y de si mismos por ser los mejores padres. Espero un dia poder darles todo lo que se merecen. Los amo! A huge thank you to my husband who has been my rock and #1 fan throughout it all. Thank you for always motivating and believing in me especially in moments when I did not. I love you always! To my wonderful advisor (Dra. Marcela Cuellar) and mentors (Dra. Patricia Quijada, Dr. Michal Kurlaender, Dr. Marcos Pizarro, Dra. Magdalena Barrera, Dra. Rosa Manzo, and Dra. Julie Figueroa) who have guided me through this process, I am indebted to you. Thank you for sharing your insights and always pushing me to be the best me as I navigated through my journey. Your support has empowered my academic, professional and personal development. My sibilings (Mitzi, Mauricio and Mayra) and closest friends (Patty, Rodrigo, Jennifer, Steff, Evelyn, Maira, and Karina), thank you for always checking in on me, for the phone calls, the laughs, work sessions, coffee gift cards and meals, I am forever grateful. To my in-laws



Ambar Hernandez Negrete

School of Education

Ph.D in Education

Hometown: Santa Rosa, CA



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Marlene Mercado

Graduate Studies

Ph.D in Cultural Studies

Hometown: El Paso, TX

My dedication is to my father, Miguel Angel Mercado, who taught me how to be a warrior from day one. He instilled in me a fighter spirit that I will carry forward until the end. I miss you dad. Wish you could be here today.





Master's Degrees



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Jocelin Reyes Valenzuela

School of Education

M.A in Education

Hometown: Guatemala



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Mauricio Guerrero Villanueva

School of Medicine

MPH: Master's in Public Health

Hometown: Oakland, CA

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Bachelor's Degrees



Licenciaturas



Adriana Mishell Arqueta Balán



College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Psychology

Minors: Education and Public Health

Hometown: Guatemala/Los Angeles, CA



¡A Dios sea la gloria y honra! Le agradezco a Dios por su fidelidad. Este logro, es la evidencia de la bondad de Dios.

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- Adriana Mishell Arqueta Balán



Alexa Maribel Barrietos

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Arts & Sociology

Hometown: Riverside, CA



My inspiration to take on the challenge of attending a prestigious university such UC Davis and walking away with a degree has always derived from my siblings and parents. Some things that kept me sane throughout this crazy eventful journey were being silly with those closest to me, calling and initiating conversation with those I loved, and keeping myself fit.

I want to dedicate this extraordinary accomplishment of being the first of many generations to graduate from a well-respected 4-year university to my parents Arturo and Veronica and my forever babies Andrea, Melissa, Andrew, and Anabel. Knowing and feeling the support and unconditional love that you all shower me with brings me to tears. I know, I know, I cry for everything...



Alexandra Mia Castro

College of Letters & Science
Major: B.A. Chicana/o Studies
Minor: Public Health
Hometown: Modesto, CA



A dedication to my family and Chasen, for the endless love and support while I follow my dreams. Thank you for being a part of my journey.



Alexandra Rivas

College of Engineering
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Minors: Sustainability in the Built Environment
Construction Engineering & Management
Hometown: Newark, CA

I am very grateful for all my parent's hard work to get me to where I am today and for the unconditional love and support from my family. I appreciate all the friends that I made along the way and who made this an unforgettable experience. This degree is dedicated to anyone who has supported me and helped me reach my goals.



Alexys Maleny Rabago

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Psychology

Hometown: Norwalk, CA



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Alfredo Arzola Ibarra

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Design

Hometown: Petaluma, CA

Thank you for seeing me!



Alma Danae Alvarado

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. History

Hometown: Hesperia



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Alma Gonzalez Avila

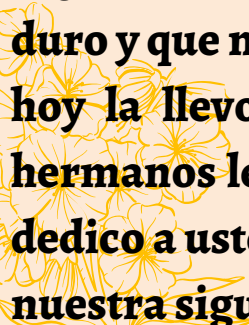
College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Spanish

Minor: Education

Hometown: Los Angeles, CA

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Alma Torres-Jauregui

College of Engineering

Major: B.S. Aerospace Science and Engineering &
B.S. Mechanical Engineering

Hometown: Torrance, CA



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Go Ags!**



Alondra Valdez

College of Biological Sciences

Major: B.S. Neurobiology, Physiology, and Behavior

Hometown: Riverbank, CA

I dedicate this diploma to my family. Thank you for your support throughout these four years. I love you all very much!



Ana Lisset Sandoval Contreras

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Sociology & B.A. Chicana/o Studies

Minors: Education and Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies

Hometown: San Fernando, CA



As my time at UC Davis comes to an end, I share gratitude to the space that has been my home away from home. I not only gained friends and opportunities, but a community.

A space that was created for and by undocumented students. Without the advocacy from students and the support from our Chicana/o Studies faculty, we wouldn't be where we are today, supporting more than 800 undocumented undergraduate, graduate, and professional school students. It's now been seven years that the center has served undocumented students, but this is also a reminder that we need to continue to create spaces for undocumented students to thrive and gain professional experiences through INCLUSIVE PAID INTERNSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS both on and off campus. The Center shouldn't have to be the only space at UC Davis where undocumented students are given the opportunity to work or gain experience without being paid for their labor. As a campus community, we need to advocate for more spaces on and off campus for those opportunities! To the AB540 and Undocumented Student Center, thank you for your support for the past five years. I wouldn't be where I am today without your support and commitment to supporting undocumented students' retention.



Angelica Murillo

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Hometown: San Bernardino, CA



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Annette Michelle Garcia Morales

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Minor: Political Science
Hometown: Lodi, CA

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CLASS OF 2022, SÍ SE PUDO!



Ariana Liseth Contreras

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Hometown: Covina, CA



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Aurora Guillen

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Minors: Chicana/o Studies
Hometown: Napa, CA

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Arianna Lara Sanchez

College of Agriculture & Environmental Science
Major: B.S. Community and Regional Development

Minor: Chicanx Studies

Hometown: Panorama City, CA



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Axel Hernandez

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Minor: Education
Hometown: Los Angeles, CA



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Brittany Villalpando Torres

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Minor: Psychology
Hometown: Pacoima, CA

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Brenda Lomeli

College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences
Major: B.S. Community & Regional Development
Hometown: Woodland, CA



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Celeste Nataly Angulo Kelly

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Major: B.A. Chicano Studies & B.A. Anthropology

Minor: Linguistics

Hometown: Manteca, CA



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Cesar Ayuso Mata

College of Engineering
Major: B.S Computer Science and Engineering
Hometown: Santa Maria, CA



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Chelsea Jailene Rosales

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Hometown: Los Angeles, CA

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Citlali Clarissa Plaza

College of Agriculture & Environmental Science
Major: B.S. Community & Regional Development
Hometown: Oxnard, CA



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Clarissa Mora Ruelas

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Hometown: Oxnard, CA

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Daniela Orozco Vega

College of Agriculture & Environmental Science

Major: B.S. Human Development

Hometown: King City, CA



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Daniela Ruvalcaba Gomez

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. International Relations

Minor: History and Human Rights

Hometown: Dos Palos, CA

Thank you to my amazing family! For believing in me and helping me achieve all my goals.



Daniela Talavera Rangel

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.S. Human Development & B.A. Psychology

Hometown: Redwood City, CA



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Diana Laura Ambrosio-Martinez

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Sociology & B.S. Human Development

Minor: Public Health

Hometown: Los Angeles, CA

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Dulce Jimenez Paniagua

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B.S. Community Regional Development
Hometown: Fairfield, CA



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Edna Gomez De Leon

College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences
Major: B.S. Animal Science
Hometown: Vallejo, CA

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Elisha Aispuro

College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences

Major: B.S. Clinical Nutrition

Hometown: Pico Rivera, CA



I graduated in five years after years of countless doubt in myself and my capabilities. I didn't think I was capable of obtaining a stem degree as a first-generation college student but with the support of my family, friends, and coworkers I was able to achieve what appeared to be impossible for me just a while ago. I'm eternally thankful for my family and the amazing group of friends I made through college that reminded me each day that my hard work and all nighters would pay off. I'm also extremely thankful to all the TA's in my chemistry, organic chemistry, and biology classes that saw my personal struggles and dedicated extra time to make sure I understood the material. All the extra hours they put in to help me outside of office hours paid off as I passed all my science classes and ultimately obtained my stem degree. I couldn't have done this without any of their support so thank you to everyone who took part in helping me succeed through my academic journey while at Davis. It's now time to close this chapter in my undergraduate career and begin my career as a degreed nutritionist in Las Vegas who hopes to positively the health of many individuals through food and nutrition.



Elizabeth Pena

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.S. Chemistry

Minor: Neuroscience & Global Disease Biology

Hometown: Calistoga, CA



I would like to thank my mom, “madam” for always believing in me and encouraging me when I wanted to give up. I want to thank my dad, “monsieur” for supporting me throughout my education and giving me helpful life advice. I would like to thank my grandparents for their “bendicion” in helping me pass my exams and keeping me safe. I would like to thank my aunts and uncles who reinforced my educational journey in order to inspire my cousins. Finally I would like to thank my dog, “oso” , my biggest stress reliever that always made me smile.



Elsie Abigail Aguilar-Hernandez

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Major: B.A. Psychology

Minors: Human Development

Hometown: Los Angeles, CA

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Erika Herrera

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Psychology

Hometown: Dixon, CA



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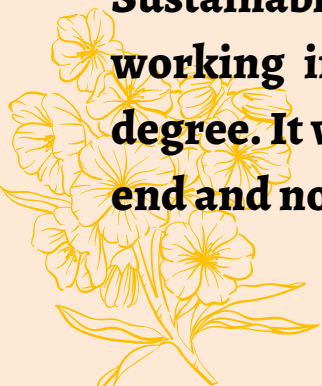
Evelyn Guadalupe Luquin

College of Agriculture & Environmental Science

Major: B.S. Sustainable Agriculture & Food Systems

Hometown: Salinas, CA

Congratulations everyone, we did it! These past four years have been a wild one. I would like to thank my family, friends from home, and friends that I have made along the way here. They have supported and encouraged me to keep pushing forward no matter how difficult it got. It is an honor to say that I received a Bachelor of Science degree in Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems; if it wasn't for my family working in agriculture it wouldn't have inspired me to pursue this degree. It was a great four years in Davis but this chapter has come to an end and now we shall see what the next chapter brings.



Feliza Irene Juarez

College of Agriculture & Environmental Science

Major: B.S. Human Development

Hometown: Brentwood, CA



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Gilda Adamari Rojas

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Political Science & B.A. Spanish

Hometown: Calistoga, CA

I would like to dedicate this graduation to my family. Without them and the tremendous support they have given me the past 4 years I would have never been able to accomplish what I did.



Giselle Lazaro

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Chicana Studies & B.A. Political Science

Hometown: Salinas, CA



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Gisselle Juarez Valencia

College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences

Major: B.S. Human Development

Minor: Public Health Sciences & Education

Hometown: Los Angeles, CA

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Gonzalo Adolfo Rojas Berrios



College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Sociology- Law and Society & Chicax Studies

Hometown: San Bernardino, CA

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Irma Yanez Martinez

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Psychology

Hometown: Huntington Park, CA

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Jade Caldera

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Chicana/o Studies

Minor: Technology Management

Hometown: San Diego, CA



Davis has been a crazy ride to say the least. Now that I've reached the end, I've learned to love and appreciate it. I've come to learn so much about myself and my community. Although it has felt lonely at times, my professor and peers were there for me in ways that mean the world to me. They all have helped me push through even through the hardest of times. I am forever thankful to them. I've met so many beautiful souls over the years, so if you know me, if you even just spoke to me once or twice, just know that you really made a great difference in my experience here. Lastly, I'd like to acknowledge my mother who is my biggest inspiration. With all of her unconditional love and support, I managed to push through. I love you with all my heart <3



Jaquelyn Vargas-Gomez

College of Letters & Science
Major: B.S. Arts in Psychology
Minor: Chicano Studies
Hometown: Cutler, CA



I dedicate this to my parents Adrian Ocampo and Araceli Vargas, and my son Emiliano Daniel Nuñez . My son for inspiring to keep going regardless of the obstacles , made me a stronger person .



Jenny Cedillo

College of Letters & Science
Major: B.A. Art Studio & B.A. Spanish
Minors: Chicanx Studies
Hometown: East Los Angeles, CA

To all my amiguis,

These past few years we have faced so much during our time in college. Whether we've been together from the beginning or met just recently the beautiful part of my college journey was getting to know you. As our paths diverge the bonds we hold may not remain but I am content with knowing that they existed even for just a moment. Whether we remain friends or not I wish you the best forever and always. <3



Jennifer Melgoza



College of Letters & Science
Major: B.A. Political Science &
B.A. Sociology Emphasis in Law and Society
Hometown: Woodland, CA



I would like to dedicate my degrees to the two people that taught me to be fearless in my endeavors, my parents. This accomplishment is also theirs. Their love for me was so big that they sacrificed everything they had in order to provide me with the opportunity to be walking across this stage today. They've worked job after job, They taught me to view my potential as limitless, even if we lived in a society that would attempt to make me feel small.

I also dedicate these degrees to my younger self, who I know would be proud of how far we've gotten. She would be proud of having found something that fulfills hers, of the positive impact she's made on those around her, and about the path she is creating for herself and for those to come.



Jessica Galilea Avila

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Spanish

Minors: Sociology & Education

Hometown: Sacramento, CA



I would like to dedicate this degree to my sisters <3 who I love with all my heart. I hope that this degree shows them that they too can achieve whatever they want and that success is what you make it. I would like to thank my parents who have been my number 1 supporters throughout my educational journey and in life. As a first-generation college student, we had to learn together how to navigate a system that was not built for us. In spite of this, we persisted. Como bien dice el dicho: they tried to bury us, but they did not know we were seeds. As I walk across the stage to receive my degree, I carry with me all of my parents' sacrifices and values they have instilled in me. Moving forward, in honor of my family and the passion I have to give back to my community I will use my degree to work towards educational equity and be an advocate for my community.



Jessica Isabel Carrasco

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Psychology

Minor: Education

Hometown: San Jose, CA



I want to first take the time to thank every person in my life who has supported me and believed in me. I'm beyond grateful to have amazing friends & family by my side, including the lifelong friends I've made at UC Davis! Because of them and other amazing people I've crossed paths with, my time at UC Davis is something I will always cherish.

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Julian Puentes

College of Engineering

Major: B.S. Biomedical Engineering

Minor: Accounting and Technology Management

Hometown: Covina, CA



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College of Agriculture & Environmental Science

Major: B.S. Animal Science

Hometown: Oxnard, CA



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College of Letters & Science

Major: B.S. Applied Mathematics

Minors: Chicano Studies

Hometown: Oxnard, CA



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Karla Monique Soltero

College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences

Major: B.S. Animal Science

Minor: Chicana/o Studies

Hometown: Woodland, CA



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Minor: Sociology

Hometown: Pasadena, CA

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Karla Vanessa Fernández

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.S. Human Development, B.A. Spanish

Hometown: Hayward, CA



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Kimberly Yaneth Huinac

College of Biological Sciences

Major: B.S. Biochemistry & Molecular Biology

Hometown: Petaluma, CA



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**Best regards,
Kimberly Huinac**



Katya Arrazte

College of Letters & Science

Major: B.A. Psychology

Minors: Human Development

Hometown: San Pablo, CA



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Minors: Education

Hometown: South Los Angeles, CA

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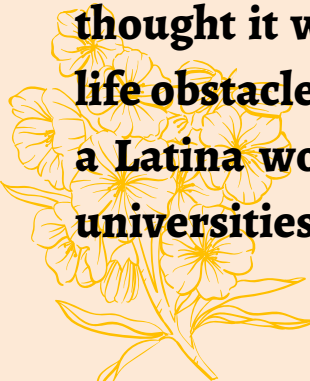
College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences

Major: B.S. Human Development

Hometown: Sylmar, CA



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College of Agriculture & Environmental Science

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Hometown: Cloverdale, CA



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Minors: Political Science and Education

Hometown: Oakland, CA

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Minor: American Studies; Education and Linguistics

Hometown: San Leandro, CA



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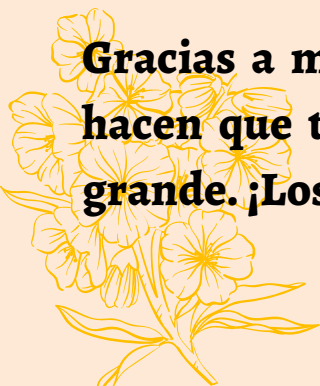
College of Letters & Science

Major: B.S. Geology

Major: Chicana/o Studies

Hometown: Riverside, CA

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Hometown: San Jose, CA

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Minors: American Studies

Hometown: Arbuckle, CA



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Minors: Education

Hometown: Coachella Valley, CA

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Meliza Guox

College of Agriculture & Environmental Science

Major: B.S. Community & Regional Development

Hometown: Riverside, CA



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Michaella Angelina Sanchez

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Hometown: San Leandro, CA



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Michelle Reyes Del Toro

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Hometown: Winters, CA



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Monica Ardon

College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences
Major: B.S. Animal Biology
Minor: Spanish
Hometown: Burbank, CA

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Major: B.A. Psychology & B.S. Human Development

Minor: Education

Hometown: San Jose, CA



Querido mamá y papá,

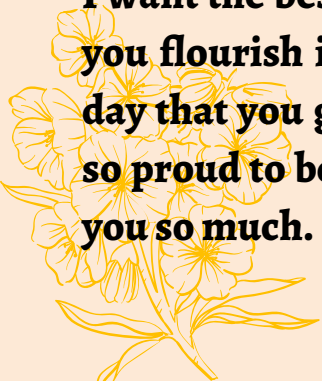
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Nancy Colunga

College of Letters & Science
Major: B.A. Communications
Minor: Community Development
Hometown: San Fernando, CA



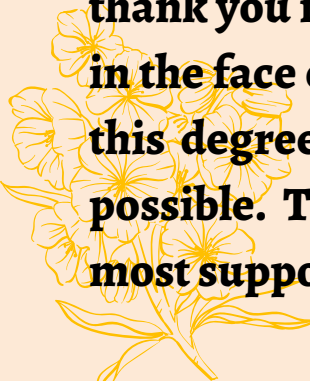
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Naomi Isabella Rivas

College of Letters & Science
Major: B.A, History
Minor: Chicano/a Studies
Hometown: San Jose, CA

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Nora Fernanda Espinosa Iniguez



College of Letters & Science

Major: B.S. Psychology, Emphasis in Biology

Minor: Chicano Studies & Human Development

Hometown: Chula Vista, CA

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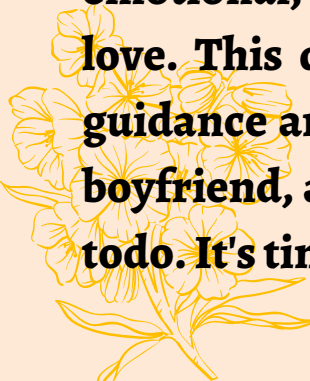
College of Biological Sciences

Major: B.S. Neurobiology, Physiology & Behavior

Minor: Spanish

Hometown: Palmdale, CA

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Paola Garcia

College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences

Major: B.S. Global Disease Biology & B.A. Chicax Studies

Hometown: Harbor City, CA



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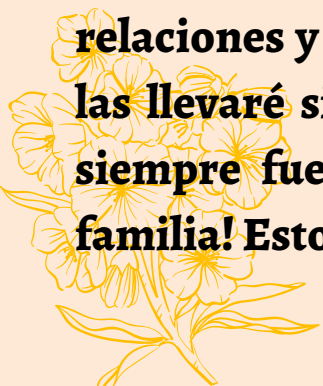
Rachelle Annahi Carrillo

College of Letters & Science

Majors: B.A. Spanish & B.S. Plant Sciences

Hometown: Calexico, CA

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Rashell Santos Arevalo

College of Agriculture & Environmental Science

Major: B.S. Human Development

Hometown: Los Angeles, CA



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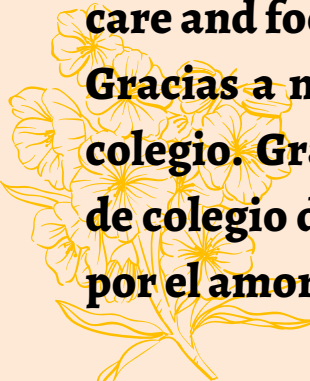
Major: B.A. Communication

Minors: Spanish

Hometown: Salinas, CA

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College of Letters & Science

Major: B.S. Psychology

Minor: Chicano Studies

Hometown: Oxnard, CA



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Sheila Sharai Delgado

College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences

Major: B.S. Animal Biology

Hometown: Sacramento, CA

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Sofia Calero Mejia

College of Letters & Science

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Minor: Human Rights

Hometown: Bakersfield, CA



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Minor: Education
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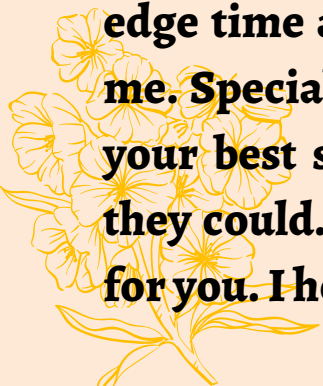
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Hometown: Carson, CA

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Stephanie (Fani) Villanueva

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Major: B.A. Political Science, Public Service & B.A. Spanish

Minor: Chicax Studies

Hometown: Bakersfield, CA



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Minor: Public Health Services

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Hometown: Los Angeles, CA

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Yalixa Cabral Covarrubias

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Minor: Religious Studies & Chicana/o Studies

Hometown: Riverside, CA



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