

Campus Conexiones

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**Speaker of the month:
Cristina Carrillo**

November 29, 2017

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Room: I4-203

AVANZA Engagement Center

Cristina Carrillo was born in Chula Vista, but raised in Rosarito, Baja California. She grew up in a very traditional Mexican family where she is one of six siblings and enjoyed her life in Mexico. In 2002, due to the increase in violence in the region, her parents decided they had to relocate to East San Diego County for their safety. Cristina went through a transition of understanding the difference in cultures and languages between Mexico and the United States.

Cristina relocated to Tijuana and began to attend Southwestern College, making the U.S.- Mexico border crossing became part of her everyday life. During this time, Cristina worked in Juvenile Hall as a substitute teacher. Working with this population awoke a passion for working with at-risk population in education. Through hard work and effort in 2009, she attained an AS in Psychology and transferred to SDSU where she graduated in 2011.

After a year working, Cristina felt that it was necessary to pursue a higher degree to better serve the populations she wanted to work with. In 2012, she began the Community Based Block Master's degree program at SDSU in Educational, Multicultural Counseling. This program empowered her to continue the journey in social justice and advocacy.

In 2014, she had the opportunity to teach English as a Second Language in South Korea. Cristina feels a very strong connection with ESL students, since she is one! After a year abroad, she landed as an intern in the Mesa College counseling department and for the past two years has been a Counselor and works for a special program for Basic Skills students.

Cristina is excited to share her story with students in hopes to connect and inspire students.



Connect with Mesa Latinx faculty, staff and managers in a unique way!

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