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DR. SOCORRO ZARAGOZA

Centering Culture & Community: Latina/o Narratives in the USA



Dr. Socorro Zaragoza (she, her, hers, ella) is an Associate Professor of Spanish in the Department of Language and Cultural Studies, Anthropology, and Sociology at Eastern Kentucky University. She teaches all levels of Spanish language as well as Latin American Literature and Culture classes. She earned a BA in Foreign Language Education from the Universidad de Colima in Mexico, and her master's and PhD from Purdue University with a focus on Spanish and Latin American Studies. She is a longtime advocate of diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives, stemming from her areas of scholarship on Afro-Hispanic and US-Latino Studies, as well as her commitment to representing underrepresented populations both on ECU's campus and in the community. She has worked to achieve higher recruitment, retention, and graduation rates of underrepresented students through

her advising and mentorship. She has been recognized for her leadership in diversity and student success and has served as the Chief Diversity Officer for the College of Letters, Arts, and Social Sciences, and a University Diversity Fellow. She was also awarded the ECU Faculty Leadership Award. Dr. Zaragoza currently serves as the Senior Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisor to the Provost. She remains active in a plethora of efforts for student engagement, retention, and graduation. *(Information provided by Dr. Zaragoza)*

WHAT: Guest Speaker for Hispanic Heritage Month

WHEN: September 23, 1 - 2PM (followed by Q & A)

WHERE: Microsoft Teams: <https://bit.ly/3DY8ZtN>