



PROFILE

Marlene has extensive experience in academic counseling, program coordination, and student success initiatives. She is skilled in providing culturally responsive guidance to diverse student populations, including veterans, undocumented students, STEM students, and first-generation college students. Marlene is currently pursuing a Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership at California State University, Long Beach, with a commitment to advancing equitable access and outcomes in higher education.

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COUNSELING CLASSES TAUGHT

Human Development 110: Strategies for Creating Success in College and Life

MARLENE LEYVA

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts, Criminal Justice, Human Services - CSU Fullerton, May 2015

Master of Arts, Guidance and Counseling - Loyola Marymount University, May 2019

Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership (in progress) - CSU Long Beach

WORK EXPERIENCE

Compton College: Guided Pathways Adjunct Counselor
Veterans Resource Center
June 2022 - Present

- Provide culturally proficient counseling services to students from diverse backgrounds regarding degree and vocational program planning, transfer planning/process, and general education.
- Lead holistic services, such as career workshops and peer support groups, to create an equitable educational experience for undocumented students and student veterans.
- Collaborate across disciplines through the UndocuAlly Taskforce to provide access to student support resources for AB 540 and undocumented students.

Cal State Fullerton: Academic Success Coordinator - Project RAISE
October 2022 - Present

- Coordinate programming activities such as student success workshops, new student orientations, and community building events to enhance retention for the RAISE Transfer Program (RTP), a transition program offered to low-income and Latinx community college transfers majoring in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.
- Implement the Internship Preparation Program to support students interested in preparing for and pursuing internships within the STEM fields through individual career development appointments, workshops, collaboration with the NSM and ECS career specialists, and direct connections to employers.