

EXCELLING AS A HISPANIC-SERVING INSTITUTION

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Thursdays, February 10, 17, & 24

OR

Mondays, February 14, 21, & 28

3-5 PM

Zoom



Our new Vice President for Equity, Inclusion and Diversity and our Chair of the Diversity Council will lead us in a series of discussions about what it means to truly excel as an Hispanic-Serving Institution. Help us chart our path for NMSU.

In this book group, we will read and respond to the book, *Becoming HSIs: Opportunities for Colleges & Universities* by Gina Ann Garcia. Adapted from the cover:

Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) are among the fastest-growing higher education segments in the United States. As HSIs increase in number, these questions bear consideration: What does it mean to serve Latinx students? All students at an HSI?

And what opportunities and challenges develop when a college or university becomes an HSI?

In *Becoming Hispanic-Serving Institutions*, Gina Ann Garcia explores how institutions are serving Latinx students, both through traditional and innovative approaches. Drawing on empirical data collected over two years at three HSIs and incorporating the voices of faculty, staff, and students, Garcia adopts a counternarrative approach to highlight the ways that HSIs are reframing what it means to serve Latinx college students.

Join us for this invigorating discussion.

Teresa Maria Linda Scholz is our new Vice President of Equity, Inclusion and Diversity or EID. As a scholar-practitioner she oversees EID strategic planning, initiatives and programs. Dr. Scholz was previously Associate Vice Chancellor and Chief Diversity Officer at UC Santa Cruz.

Prior to her roles as an administrator, Dr. Scholz was a tenured Associate Professor at Eastern Illinois University in Communication Studies. She was also affiliated Women's Studies and Latin American Studies faculty. Dr. Scholz is a first generation US American and a first-generation college graduate, raised in Guatemala and the United States.

Laura Madson joined the faculty of the Psychology Department in the College of Arts and Sciences in August 1996. Laura serves as Professor of Psychology and Chair of the Diversity Council and as a Fellow for the Teaching Academy, where she offers occasional panels and book discussion groups on provocative publications. She has been honored with several NMSU and Teaching Academy awards.