



# Welcome Back PAC Family!

Spring 2020 Convocation  
*Celebrate & Share PAC Excellence Luncheon*



# President's Welcome



Dr. Robert Garza





# OUR MISSION

To inspire, empower, and educate our community  
for leadership and success.

*Adopted by Alamo Colleges Board  
of Trustees December 2014*



*Chartered in 1983 and classes officially began in Fall 1985.*









# A YEAR OF EXCELLENCE



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# RECOGNITIONS



Alamo Colleges District wins  
Malcolm Baldrige  
National Quality Award



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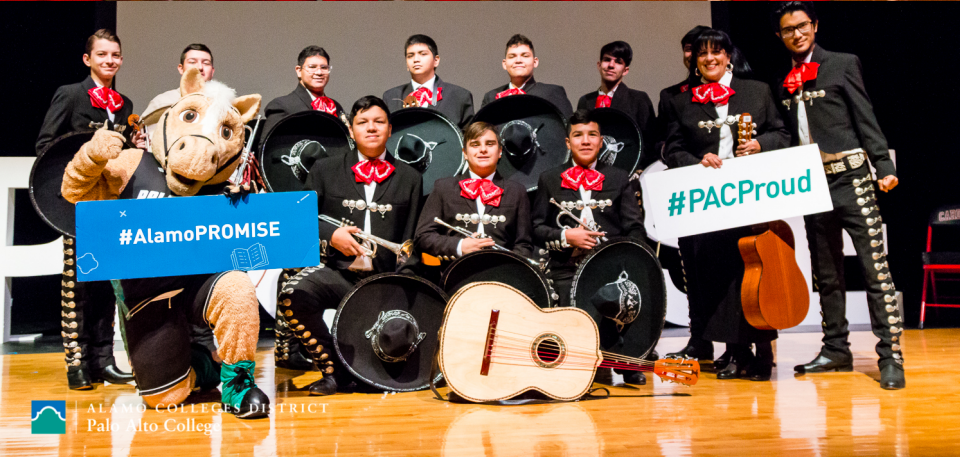
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# #AlamoPROMISE



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# COMMUNITY



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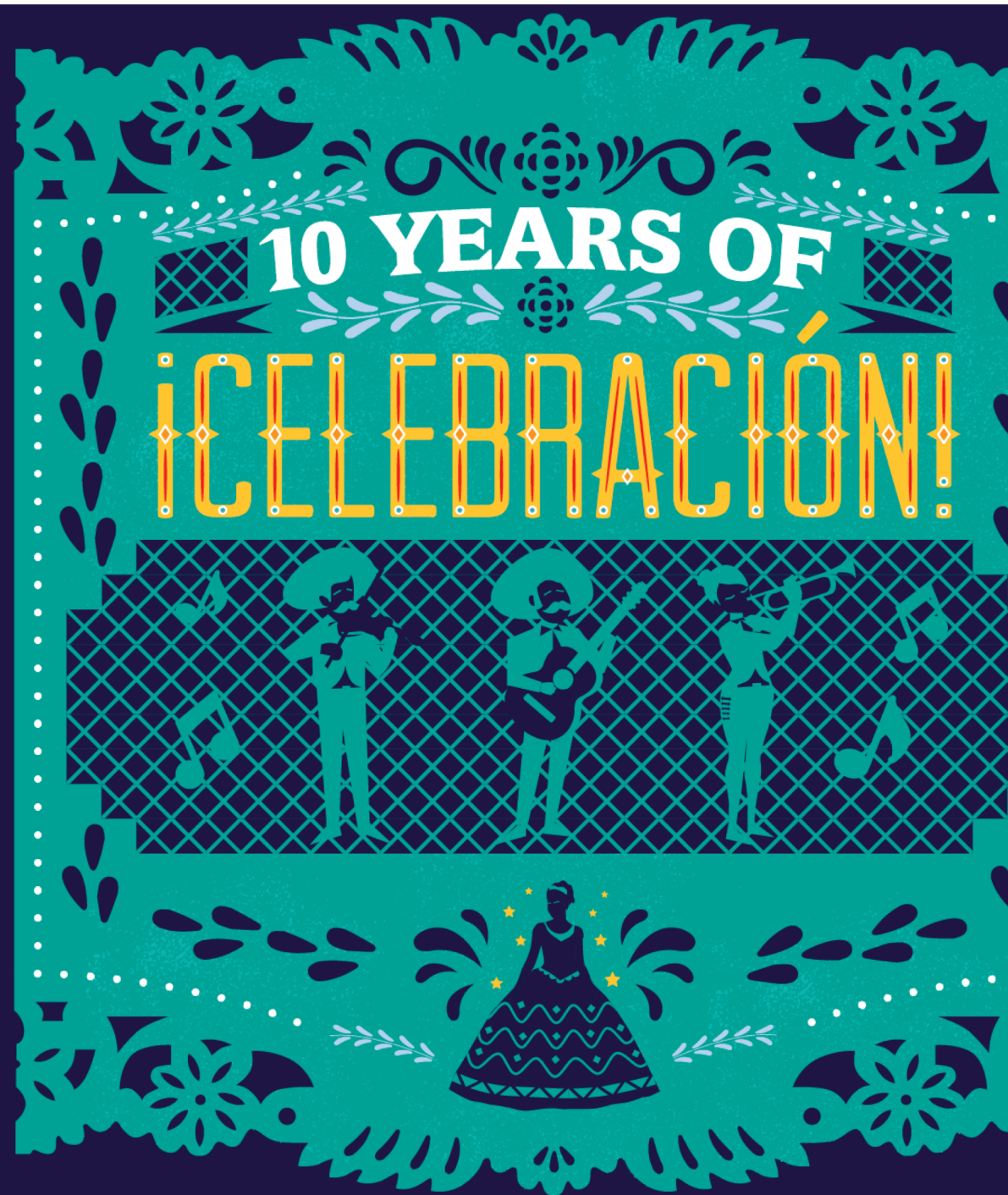
# COMMUNITY







At our 10th annual scholarship fundraiser – *¡Celebracion!* – we received nearly **\$180,000** in funds for Palo Alto College scholarships and programming!





# COMMUNITY

## Winter Wonderland at Palo Alto College

### Largest Holiday Light Display in South San Antonio





# Business Partner of the Month

Don Pedro Mexican Restaurant



North Park Toyota



Willie's Grill



October 2019

November 2019

December 2019



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# LOOKING FORWARD

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Gymnasium & Natatorium



**Southside Education & Training Center (SETC)**  
*Business and Community Workshops were held July 25<sup>th</sup> to gain feedback on the center programs and services.*



Multipurpose Building *(Student Success, AMT, Dental Hygiene)*



Capital Improvement Projects



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Save the Date - March 28, 2020



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Save the Date - April 23, 2020





# Save the Date - May 16, 2020





# Office of the President



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# Office of the President

## New Hires



Pedro Hinojosa  
Director of Strategic Initiatives

## Degrees Earned



Janel Ashley Santos, Master of Public Affairs  
(University of Texas at Rio Grande Valley)





# Marketing and Communications

## New Hires



Adriana Dominguez  
Strategic Communications Coordinator



Jason Gaines  
Visual Content Creator





# Marketing and Communications

## Staff New Roles/Promotions



Erica Meza

Marketing and Strategic Communications Manager



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# Community Programs

## Staff New Roles/Promotions



Priscilla Lopez – Coordinator of Student Success



Leticia De La Rosa – Director of Community Collaborations





# PAC FAMILIA





# Celebrating 20 Years of Service Tree Dedication

## Fall 2020 Convocation Ceremony



### TREE DEDICATION

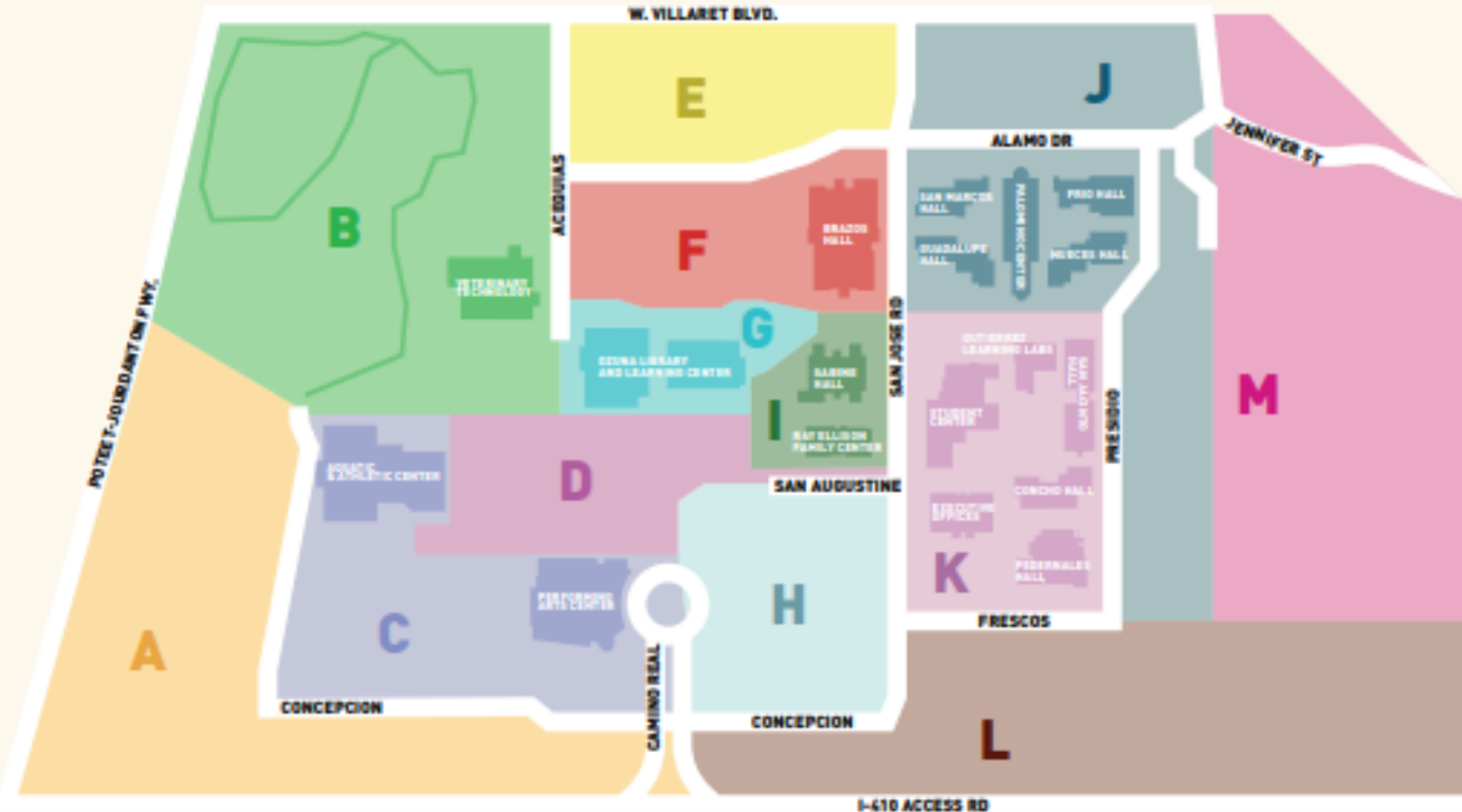
*Celebrating 20 years of service*

Palo Alto College was established in 1985 by people who cared about creating a better future for the South Side community with the mission of inspiring, empowering, and educating the community for leadership and success. For each faculty and staff member who has spent 20 years working within the Alamo Colleges District, with at least 15 years at Palo Alto College, a tree will be dedicated to celebrate their service and commitment to the success of students and the community.



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### TREE DEDICATION ZONE MAP





# Palo Alto College Memorial Brick Pathway



**PAC MEMORIAL BRICK PATHWAY CEREMONY**

*PRESENTER: DR. ROBERT GARZA*

***THURSDAY, JAN. 16***

**1:30 - 2:30 P.M.**

**OUTSIDE OF CONCHO HALL**



The ceremonial bricks in the memorial pathway will be located on our campus outside of Concho Hall. These bricks will honor and celebrate the lives of Palo Alto College (PAC) family and friends.



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# EMPLOYEE SUCCESS

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# NISOD 2020 Recipients

## EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

**Rose Flores, Horticulture Instructor**

## EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING BY AN ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR

**Alfredo Torres, Jr., Humanities Adjunct Faculty**

## EXCELLENCE FOR SERVICE TO THE COLLEGE

**Connie Acovio, Administrative Assistant to the President**

## EXCELLENCE FOR STAFF OR ADMINISTRATORS

**Dr. Robert Garza, President**

## EXCELLENCE BY LIBRARIAN OR ADVISOR

**Susan Puccio, Librarian**



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# Dr. Garza's Announcement





# NISOD 2020 Recipients

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Tina Mesa, Dean of Academic Success



A membership organization committed to promoting and celebrating excellence in teaching, learning, and leadership at community and technical colleges.



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# Faculty Senate Welcome

Tony Villanueva – President





# 2019 – 2020 Faculty Senate Officers

Tony Villanueva – President

Amanda Salinas – Vice President

Aurora Yanez – Treasurer

Lance Sandberg – Secretary

Vicente Guillot – Parliamentarian



# Staff Senate Welcome

Helena Fischer – President





# 2019 – 2020 Staff Senate Officers

Helena Fischer – President

Priscilla Lopez – Vice President

Estela Marin – Treasurer

Connie Acovio – Secretary

EJ Moreno – Parliamentarian

Jamie Sarmiento – Reporter





# Staff Members of the Month Listing

October 2019

Darlene Price – Johnson

November 2019

Matthew Fey

December 2019

Fernando Acevedo

January 2020

District-Wide Employee of the Month  
Nicholas Blakeney



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# Alamo Colleges Leadership Academy for Success (ALAS) 2019– 2020 Cohort

Laura Hogg  
Jennifer Huebenthal  
Nidia Lopez  
Priscilla Lopez  
Patricia Montoya  
Anthony Sanchez

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# 2020 Emerging Leaders Cohort # 5

- ❖ Applications closed.
- ❖ Selection process/announcements by next week!
- ❖ Emerging Leaders (ELP) class will start February 5, 2020 at PAC.





# South San Antonio Chamber of Commerce (CSLA) Class of 2020



Nick Blakeney  
Carlos Cruz



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**Elizabeth Tanner**  
*Vice President for Academic Success*





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## New Faculty

Rachelle Arizpe – Instructor of Mathematics

Andrea Fuentes – Instructor of Speech

James Harris – Instructor of Speech

Marissa Moscorro – Instructor of Mathematics

Ismael Torres – Instructor of Biology





# ACADEMIC SUCCESS

## New Staff

Melissa Medellin

PT Admin. Services Specialist –  
PTE Division

Amanda Harrison

Coordinator of Measurement & Evaluation –  
Teaching & Learning Center



# ACADEMIC SUCCESS

## Staff New Roles/Promotions

Taylor Coffee

College Coordinator of High School Programs





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## Faculty Emeritus Designation for 2019-2020



Dr. Michael Shanklin  
Professor of Biology  
Awarded December 2019



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# ACADEMIC SUCCESS

## Retiring Faculty

Juan Ortiz, Instructor of Music – August 2020

Dr. Denise Barkis Richter – Professor of Communications – August 2020





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## Degrees Earned



Jennifer Rivera

Master of Education, Higher Education Administration  
University of Texas at San Antonio

Raleigh Way

Quality Matters Certification



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# COLLEGE SERVICES



**Katherine Beaumont Doss**  
*Interim Vice President of College Services*





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## New Hires

Anthony Murph, College Coordinator of Risk Management  
Gaston Cantu, Director of College Grant Development

## Promotion

Caroline Haring, Director of College IR





# STUDENT SUCCESS



**Gil Becerra**

*Vice President for Student Success*





# STUDENT SUCCESS





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## Staff Promotions

Evelyn Gonzalez

Enrollment Team Support Specialist, Welcome Center

Logen Rodriguez

Enrollment Team Support Specialist, Welcome Center

Robert Vasquez

Enrollment Team Support Specialist, Welcome Center



# STUDENT SUCCESS

## New Employees

Angelica (Annie) Acosta – Senior Specialist, Veteran's Affairs

Brenda Espinoza – Administrative Service Specialist

Elizabeth Garcia – Advising Team Support Specialist, SEED Advising

Michael Garcia – PT Generalist, Student Life/SHARE

Nancy Gonzales – Advising Team Support Specialist, STEM Advising

Denise Morales – SAFB Benefits Coordinator, Student Life/SHARE

Maria Ortiz – Senior Specialist, Admissions & Records

Tracy Quiroz – Data Analyst, Student Success





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## Retiring Staff

Nicholas Lopez – Senior Advisor, TRIO Upward Bound (January 31, 2019)

Charley Garcia – Certified Advisor, SEED Advising (May 31, 2020)



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## Degrees Earned



**Eloisa Cordova**, Master of Education, Higher Education Administration  
(The University of Texas at San Antonio)

**Anna Lisa Fernandez**, Master of Education, Higher Education Administration  
(The University of Texas at San Antonio)

**Karla Frausto**, Master of Education, Higher Education Administration  
(University of Texas at San Antonio)

**Luz Hernandez**, Master of Education, Educational Leadership and Policy Studies  
(The University of Texas at San Antonio)

**Delilah Marquez**, Master of Public Affairs  
(University of Texas at Rio Grande Valley)

**Laurie Medina**, Master in Criminal Justice  
(Texas A&M Commerce)

**Nathalie Riojas**, Master of Public Affairs  
(University of Texas at Rio Grande Valley)





# STUDENT SUCCESS

## Degrees Earned



**Evelyn Gonzalez**, Bachelor of Science - Interdisciplinary Studies  
(Texas A&M University San Antonio)

**Andre Grajeda**, Bachelor of Arts  
(St. Mary's University)

**Prisilla Lares**, Associate of Arts  
(Palo Alto College)

**Maria Ortiz**, Associate of Science, Biology  
(Palo Alto College)



# Save the Date – April 1, 2020



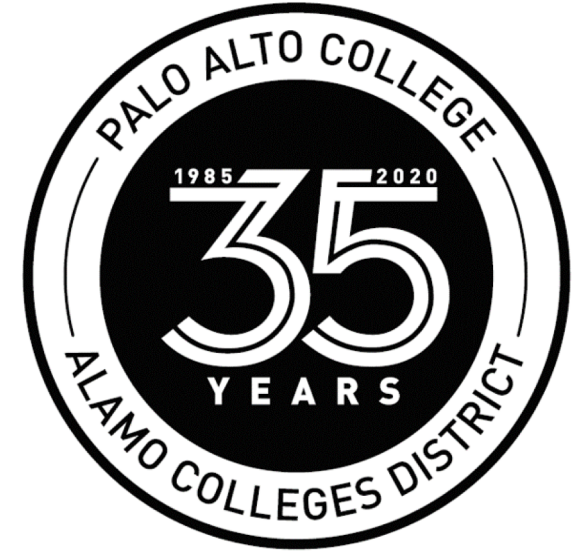
The U.S. Constitution mandates that a census of the population be conducted every 10 years. Census statistics are used to determine the number of seats each state holds in the U.S. House of Representatives and inform how state, local and federal lawmakers will allocate billions of dollars in federal funds to local.

## Point of Contact

Jennifer Flores  
Interim Director of Student Success  
Student Life  
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# Campus Events



*Check our full calendar for upcoming events  
at [alamo.edu/pac/calendar](https://alamo.edu/pac/calendar)*



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# Thank you.



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