MEET YOUR COUNSELORS





JANETTE JIMENEZ-TORIZ

Hello everyone! I'm excited to help guide you in your educational journey. My name is Janette Jimenez-Toriz. I started my education at East Los Angeles College and then transferred to UCLA where I earned my BA in Psychology. After a couple of years of working in education, I decided to become a community college counselor. I earned my MS in Counseling, with an emphasis in Student Development in Higher Education from CSULB. As a transfer student myself, I believed that I could make a difference in community college students. Whether you're taking fully online classes or coming to inperson classes, this semester is an opportunity to prove to yourself that you can be successful. Please remember to take care of yourself in order to be able to take care of others.

*Fun fact: I have a few obsessions; Harry Potter, Disney, coffee, and chocolate.







ANGEL CRISTALES

Hello CalWORKs students! My name is Angel and I am excited to start this new academic year! I studied at Cerritos Community College, then transferred to UC Santa Barbara where I earned my B.A. in Sociology, and finally completed my M.A. in Counseling from CSU Dominguez Hills. I chose to be a counselor in higher education because I enjoy assisting students on a one-on-one basis and help students, like you, achieve their professional goals. When you face your obstacles, no matter how big or small, please remember that support and resources are available to you. Contact our team whenever you need guidance or support.

*Fun fact: I can eat a large Pizza Hut pizza and wings in one sitting



KATLIN MORALES

Hi Seahawks!! My name is Katlin and I'm THRILLED to be joining the fantastic CalWORKs team and ready to take on this exciting new academic year alongside you all! My academic journey started out at West LA College where, with the help of many supportive counselors, I was able to transfer to CSUN. Once I obtained by BA degree in Psychology, I knew I wanted to continue my education so I can better serve the community that help build me up. So, I went for my M.Ed. in Educational Counseling at USC. Though I knew I wanted to work in higher education, I specifically wanted to work with community college students because of their unparalleled resiliency, persistency to their education despite all obstacles (personal, systematic, etc.), and their unique empowering stories. For every student I work with, I get inspired more and more -- which is what makes me love what I do. Whether you need guidance, an advocate, a resource, anything at all, always know you can count on your CalWORKs counselors to be there for you no matter what!

We're here to help YOU succeed!! We're rooting for you!! *Fun Fact: My favorite things to do in my free time are 1) Go to amusement parks (Disneyland & Universal my favs!) 2) Watch HGTV channel 3) Obsess over the holidays (Christmas especially!!!!!)



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