

THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LEADERSHIP AND POLITY STUDIES

***“Beyond Representation: Addressing the Latinx/a/o
Leadership Crisis in Higher Education”***



Hybrid Guest Lecture Series
ELPS Higher Education Program

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Dr. Michelle M. Espino is a first-generation college student and associate professor in the Higher Education, Student Affairs, and International Education Policy program at the University of Maryland, College Park. She earned her doctorate in Higher Education from the University of Arizona, her master's degree in College Student Personnel from Bowling Green State University (OH), and her bachelor's degree in International Relations from St. Mary's University (TX). Dr. Espino investigates the individual, organizational, and community factors that affect educational attainment for racially and ethnically minoritized populations, particularly for Latinx/as/os. Using critical perspectives, Dr. Espino's work also exposes the social inequities that undermine individual motivations to study and work in colleges and universities. She is the creator and host of Latinx Intelligentsia, a podcast dedicated to uplifting Latinx/a/o communities in higher education.

For colleges and universities to engage in equitable practices that foster student success, opportunity structures must be created to support all groups; most critically, Latinx/a/o students, faculty, and administrators. Findings from a 6-year project examining the professional pathways of 93 Latinx/a/o mid-level administrators across the U.S. will illustrate the major national and local issues that

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