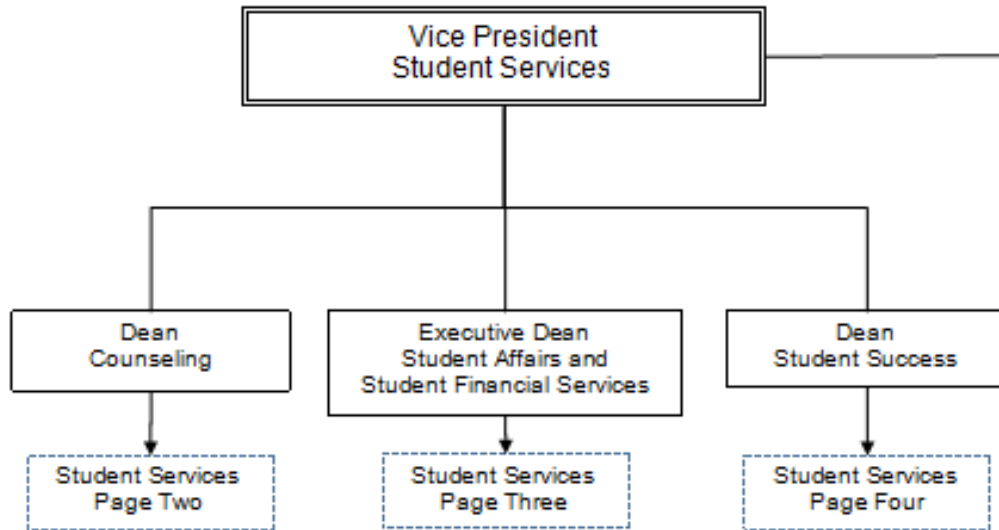
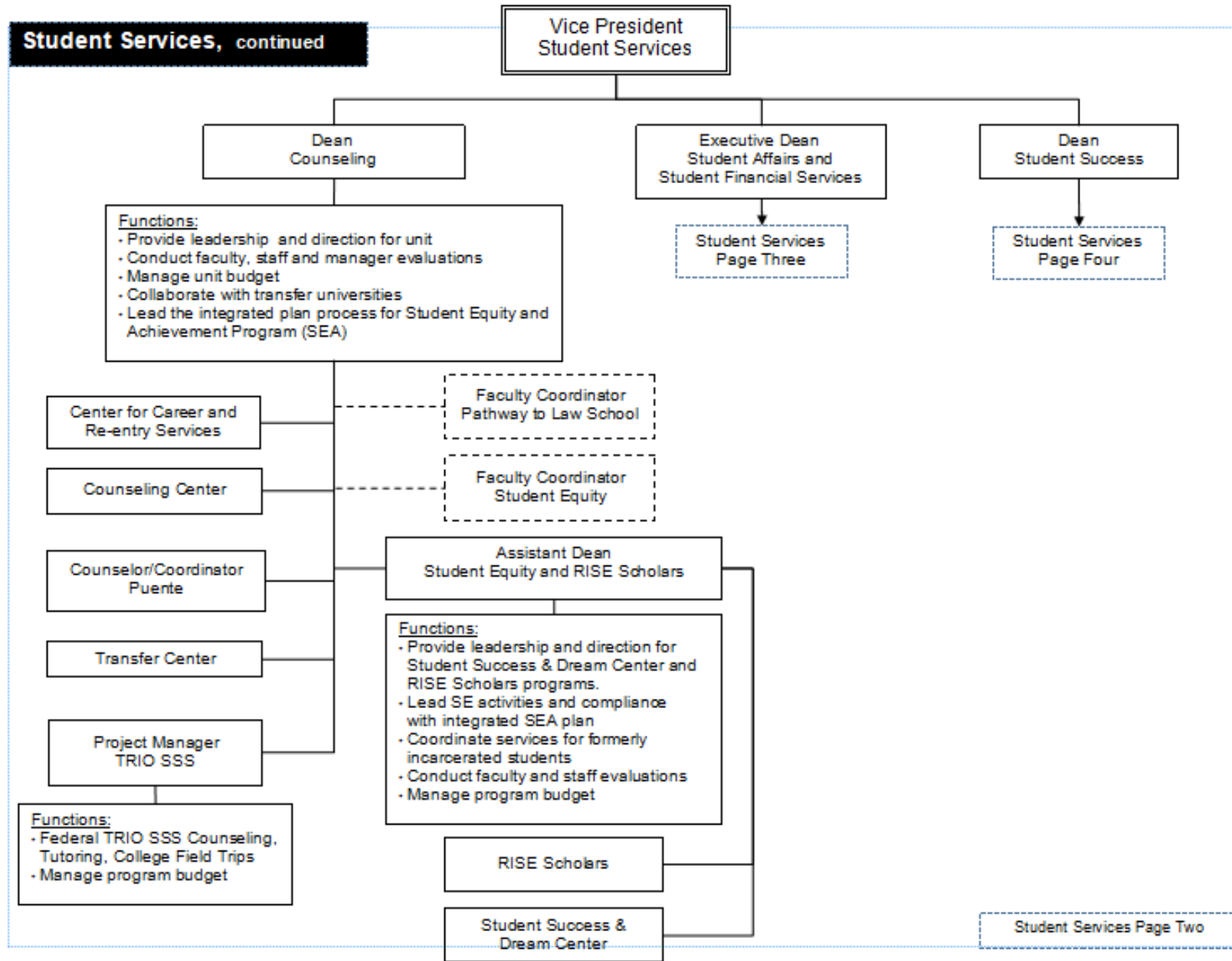


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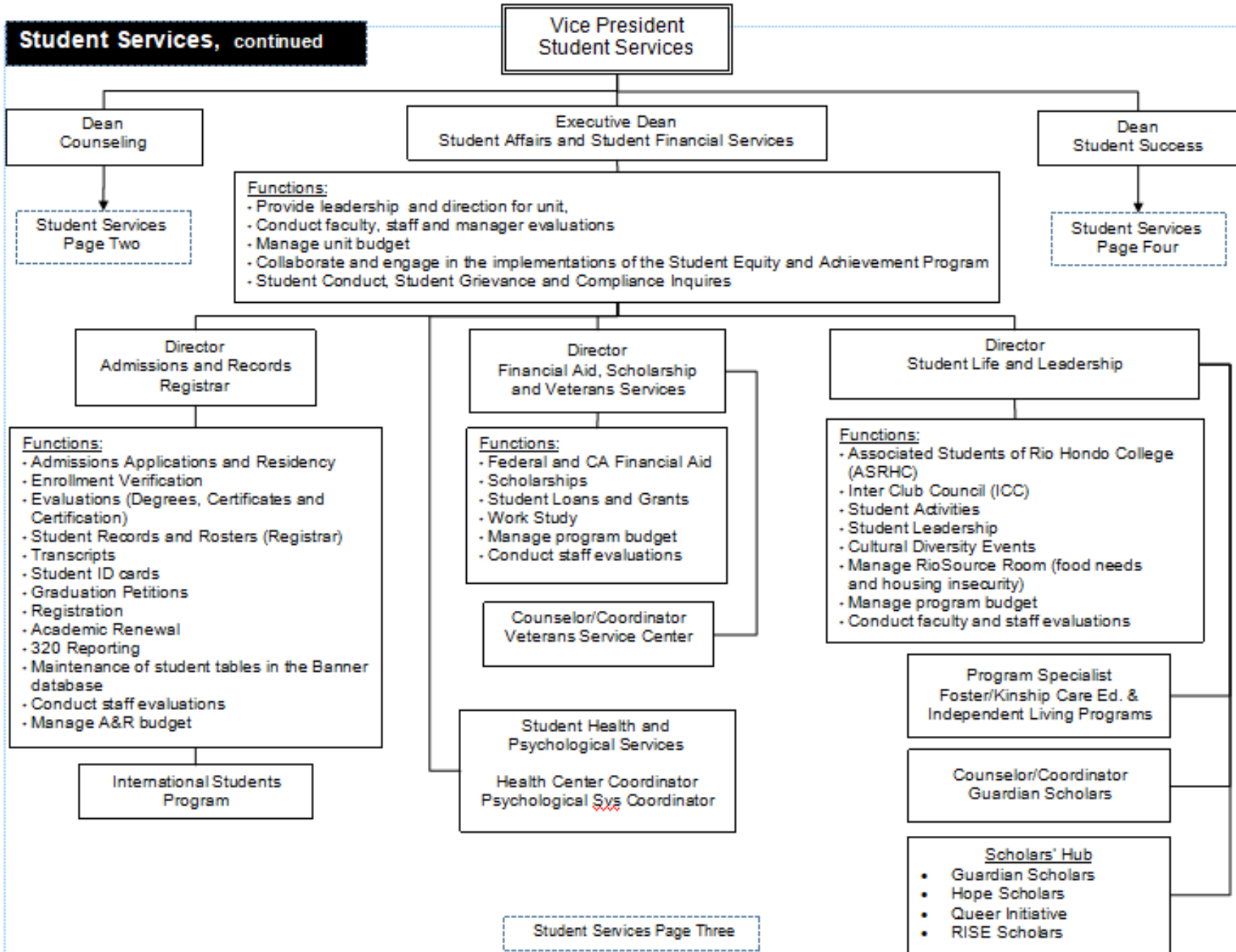


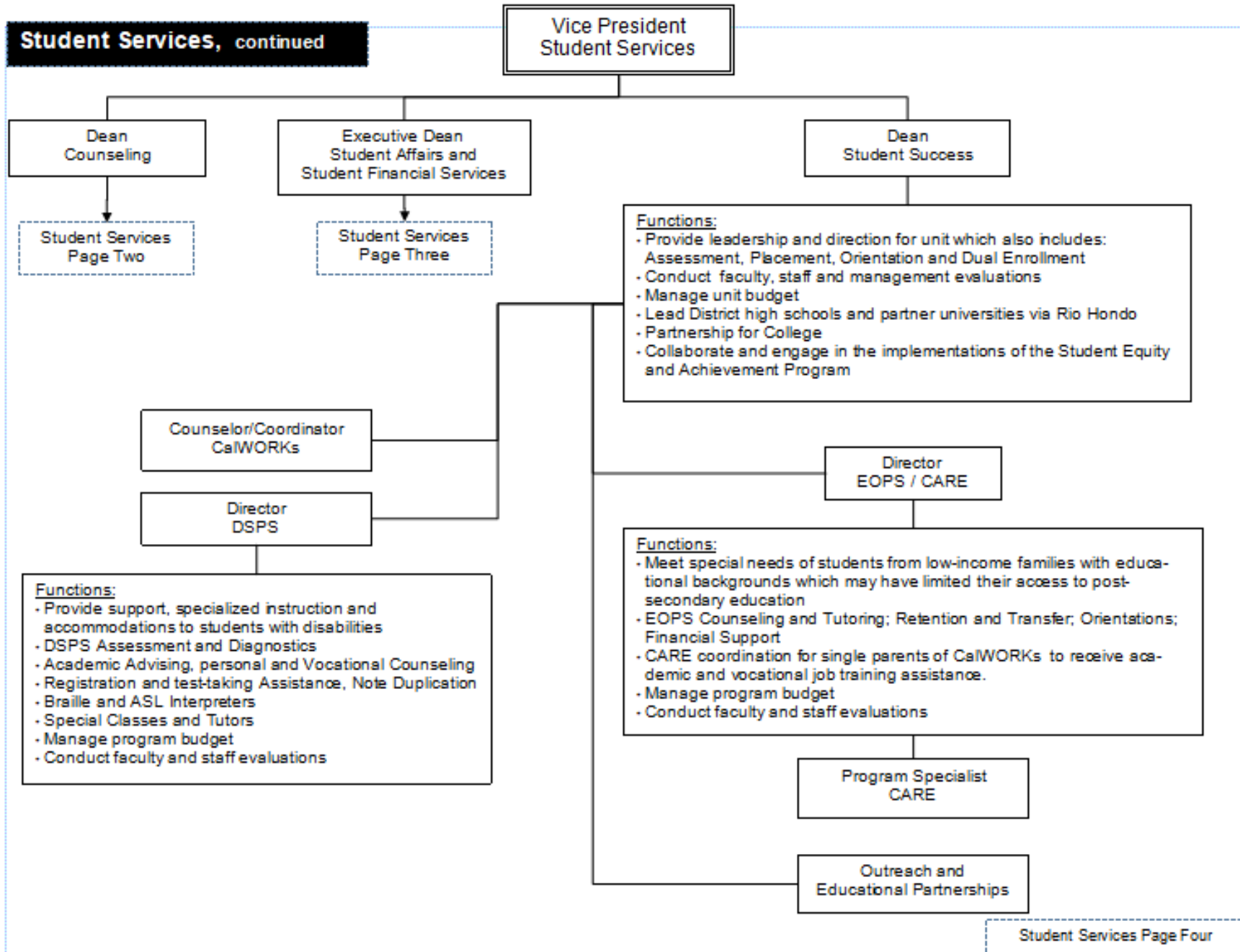
Functions:

- Chief Student Services Officer – state reporting
- Provide overall leadership in planning, organizing and directing the student advancement activities and functions of the District; assure the effective and integrated operations of Student Services programs.
- In collaboration with the Vice President of Academic Affairs, provide leadership for overall program development and the improvement of all Student Services curriculum and instructional activities.
- Provide guidance and administrative support to students; serve as liaison with the Associated Students of Rio Hondo College.
- Administer the department budget; recommend budget requests for each fiscal year to the Superintendent/President; assure expenditures are appropriate and within budget.
- Supervise and evaluate the performance of assigned staff, interview and select employees and recommend transfers, reassignment, termination and disciplinary actions to the Superintendent/President; review and recommend staffing patterns.
- Design, implement and evaluate the effectiveness of student programs and services.
- Assure accountability for categorical funding; provide for audit trails for categorical funds; assure the proper expenditures for meeting the purpose of the categorical programs.
- Promote College programs and services and encourage collaboration, teamwork and positive working relationships among all staff.
- Promote equal opportunity, Title IX compliance, student and gender equity to effectively serve the District's diverse community.
- Serve on local civic and/or community organizations as a College representative and may serve as a liaison with professional organizations as appropriate.
- Monitor, review and rewrite as needed Student Services related policies and procedures to ensure compliance.
- Participate in planning and implementation of the Student Equity and Achievement Program.
- Participate in contract negotiations.



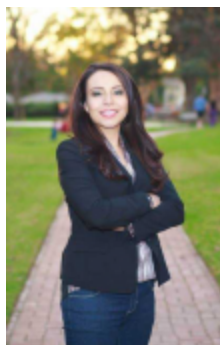
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→ COVID-19 Information and Vaccine Requirements
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Meet The Counselors

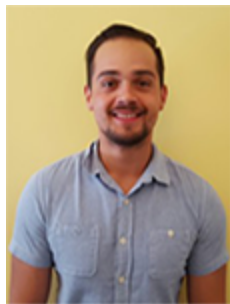


Vanessa Chavez Business Counselor: (<http://www.riohondo.edu/business/business-division-counselor/>) M.A. in Educational Counseling, Azusa Pacific University. B.A. in Psychology, California State University of Long Beach. A.A. in General Education, Rio Hondo College.

Vanessa Chavez is our Business and Arts Counselor at Rio Hondo College. She is eager to meet with any student majoring in the Business/ Arts field to discuss potential career options, so please reach out to her to build an Educational Plan. Vanessa prides herself on her ability to provide students with clear information while motivating them at the same time. Since Vanessa was also a Rio Hondo College student, she can relate well to the experiences of our first-generation college students. On a personal note, Vanessa enjoys salsa dancing, playing volleyball, and is an identical twin. Please feel free to reach out to Vanessa as she looks forward to meeting you. You can find her in the Business building room B-100 or by calling 562-463-7357.



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o Flores Counselor/Professor Ed.D in Educational Leadership / California State University, Long ch, M.A. in Educational Counseling / University of Southern California (USC), B.S. in munications / Cal Poly Pomona.

Julio Rene Flores is a General Counselor at Rio Hondo College. As a matter of fact, he attended Hondo College before transferring to a four-year university, so he is familiar with your student experience. Dr. Flores adheres to a Gestalt counseling approach in his one-on-one sessions. At the core of gestalt therapy is the holistic view that people are intricately linked to and influenced by their environments and that all people strive toward growth and balance. Dr. Flores teaches courses in personal growth & development, stress & anxiety management, and career exploration. He also teaches in counseling masters programs and has taught at USC, Cal State Dominguez Hills, and the University of La Verne. When he's not counseling or teaching, he enjoys frequenting the gym, or watching RuPaul's Drag Race (He is a firm believer that Denali Fox is the greatest drag performer in world and he encourages you to prove him wrong after discussing your educational goals). Dr.

es holds his Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Communications from Cal Poly Pomona, Master of Education in Educational Counseling from the University of Southern California, and an Educational Doctorate (Ed.D) in Educational Leadership from the California State University, Long Beach.



ior Hernandez General Counselor/Associate Professor M.S. in Counseling, California State University, Northridge (CSUN) B.A. in Sociology: Counseling and Interviewing, California State University, Northridge (CSUN)

ior Hernandez has a wide range of experience counseling Dreamers, student-athletes, international students, special programs and transfer students. He is passionate about working with community college students and walks them along the way in meeting their personal and educational goals. His love for guiding college students is unconditional and his genuine approach is demonstrated through every interaction he has with his students, it is his goal to make you succeed. So please stop by our Counseling Department as it would be his pleasure to meet you.



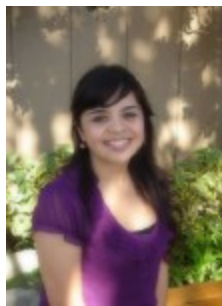
ge Huinquez Communications & Languages Counselor (<http://www.riohondo.edu/communications-and-images/>) / Puente Project Coordinator (<http://www.riohondo.edu/puente/>): Counselor/ Associate Professor .d. in Education, University of San Diego B.A. in Urban Planning, CSUN A.A. in General Studies, thwestern College

ge Huinquez is the Puente Project Counselor/Coordinator and Public Safety liaison counselor. As alumnus of the community college himself, he knows what the student's needs are. He enjoys ing students find answers to their education and guides them towards their goals. As a counselor, ge is dedicated to providing students the support and guidance necessary in order to succeed. He s forward to meeting you and making your journey at Rio Hondo College a positive experience.



e Lara Transfer Center Counselor – California State University, Los Angeles – Bachelor Degree: iness Administration: Concentration in Human Resources B.S. Minor: Rehabilitation Services. ter Degree: Counseling: Concentration in Rehabilitation Counseling M.S. Concentration in abilitation Counseling

edule an appointment and let's explore your options for transfer and life success. I am available at Transfer Center, Room SS250. See you soon!



ali Pichardo-Diaz Transfer Center Counselor (<http://www.riohondo.edu/transfer-center/>): Counselor/Associate Professor M.S. in Counseling, CSULB B.A. in Sociology, CSULB B.A. in Spanish, CSULB in Translation/Interpretation Studies, CSULB.



abeth Ramirez Counselor/Articulation Officer. M.S. in Counseling, University of La Verne. B.A. in Psychology, Scripps College.

Abeth serves as the Articulation Officer for the campus. The Articulation Officer is responsible for facilitating articulation agreements between Rio Hondo College and other colleges and universities including the University of California (UC), the California State University (CSU), and many private and out-of-state baccalaureate degree-granting institutions. The Articulation Officer is an advocate for student transfer and seeks to ease the transfer process by providing advisement on IGETC, CSU GE-ED, and Associate Degree requirements.



Mary Rivera Counselor/ Professor M.A. in Counseling, CSULB B.A. in Psychology, CSULB
Specialization: Nursing

Mary has been a counselor at Rio Hondo since August 1988 and she began specializing in counseling nursing students in 1991. Being one of nine children and a “people-oriented” person, she fit right into the counselor role comfortably. Her high energy, motivation, and compassion are traits and qualities that she uses in both the counseling and classroom settings. Although her specialty is “nursing”, Mary prides herself on being able to assist any student with their needs and goals, regardless of major, career or educational path.



Marcus Thomas Tenured Counselor / Professor M.S. in Counseling w/ PPS Credential/ California State University San Bernardino (CSUSB), B.S. in Psychology & Sociology / University California, Riverside (UCR), A.S. in Psychology, Riverside Community College.

My experience at Rio Hondo started as an Athletic Counselor, I have also coordinated the Transfer Center before becoming a Generalist Counselor; I have enjoyed being a part of a team which ensures student success and achievement. I look forward meeting each and every student who passes through the Counseling Department.



David Tieu Transfer Center Counselor (<http://www.riohondo.edu/transfer-center/>)/ Associate Professor, M.S. in Counseling California State University Long Beach (CSULB) option in Student Development in Transfer Education, B.A. in Psychology Cal Poly Pomona.



Diana Valladares Fire Academy Counselor (<http://www.riohondofire.com/>) – M.S. in Counseling and B.A. in Global Studies, California State University, Northridge (CSUN).

Diana is the Fire and Wildland Academy counselor who also serves as the counselor at the Rio Hondo Educational Center at the Pico Rivera campus. She has served at Rio Hondo College since 2014. Prior to coming to Rio Hondo College, she taught elementary and middle school for 3 years.



ie Vu Counselor/Professor M.A. in Counseling emphasis in Education/ California State University Dominguez Hills (CSUDH), B.S. in Human Services/ California State University Fullerton (CSUF), A.A. Liberal Arts Mt. SAC.

ie is a General counselor who also takes on the role of being our International Student Counselor. She has been the Counseling Department's designated Child Development Counselor for quite some time, so if you ever need help in the following areas please stop by so she can assist you.