

My name is John Escobedo and I'm a father, educator, and mentor. I'm a First Gen student that was academically dismissed from college during my first attempt to attain an education. I worked in construction for about a year after my dismissal, and later received the unexpected news that I was going to be a young father. With renewed motivation, I decided to give school another shot, and enrolled at Miracosta College to become an x-ray technician. I discovered that I wasn't the knuckle head I thought I was, and ended up transferring to UC Riverside to earn a BA in English. I then networked a bit and received a Provost Fellowship from Rice University to earn a Ph.D. in Chicana/o Literature. Worked for the University of Colorado, Boulder after my graduate studies, but I didn't find it fulfilling so I decided to come back to my community college roots.

Now, I look forward to spending time with my family and enjoy the outdoors. I definitely love taking time off from the daily grind of serving as an administrator. Getting lost in different adventures and working on my ranchito provides balance, peace, and energy.



I enjoy using my instructional experience as a former English instructor, and administrative experience working on the student services side to bridge the best of both the worlds. I appreciate working on big picture solutions to better serve disproportionately impacted students by establishing sustainable partnerships across institutional divisions and departments. I am looking forward to working with all of you to learn from one another and hopefully establish long term friendships.