Maria G. Mejorado, Ph.D.

In Your Corner Consulting
Educational Consultant, Speaker & Writer
Sacramento, CA
MariaMejorado1137@gmail.com
www. MariaMejorado.com
(916) 800-3020

Doctor of Philosophy - Education Policy and School Organization Dissertation: "Navigating the Complex Issues in a California Statewide Mentoring Program for Mexican American High School Students: High School Puente Program." College of Education, University of California, Davis, Davis, CA

Masters of Administration, Planning and Social Policy College of Education, Harvard University Cambridge, MA

Bachelors of Arts, English Literature St. Mary's College of California Moraga, CA

PUBLICATIONS

- Mejorado, Maria. "Grapes of Hope: Life Lessons from the Fields." *Multilingual Educator*, Anticipated March 2023, pp. 84 -85.
- Mejorado, Maria. "Dear Sun Maiden." Multilingual Educator, March 2021, p.32.
- Baird, P., Beddow, M., Mejorado, M. EDS., "Bilingual Education." *Introduction to Educating English Learners*. 3rd ed. Pearson Learning Solutions, 2013. (EDUC 170 Course Reader).
- Mejorado, Maria. "Daughter as Caretaker." Borunda, R. & Moreno, M., *Our Stories*: *Speaking from the Heart*, Kendall Hunt, 2012, pp.70-72.
- Gonzales, Raquel, Mejorado, Maria. "Experiencing the Race, Gender and Socioeconomic Divide in Academia: A Chicana Perspective." *The Handbook of Race and Adult Education*, edited by Sheared, V., Johnson-Baily, DJ, Brookfield, S., Scipio, A.J. III., Peterson, E., Jossey-Bass, 2010, pp. 55-69.
- Gandara, Patricia and Mejorado, Maria. "Putting Your Money Where Your Mouth Is:

 Mentoring as a Strategy to Increase Access to High Education." *Preparing for College:*Nine Elements of Effective Outreach, edited by Tierney, William, G. et al., State
 University of New York Press, 2005, pp. 89-110.

Mejorado, M. Book Review, "School Smarts: The Four C's of Academic Success." Jim Burke. 2004, Portsmouth, N.H.: Heinemann, *Teacher's College Record*, Vol.107, Number 11: November 2005.

Mejorado, Maria. "Parents & Community Working Together: Making a Difference." Multilingual Educator, February 2005.

Baird, Berta-Avila, Lozano, McFadden & Mejorado. EDS, *Bilingual Education: Introduction to Educating English Learners*. Bilingual/Multicultural Education Department, College of Education, CSUS. Pearson Custom Publisher, NY, 2004. (EDBM 170 Course Reader).

Gandara, P., Mejorado, M., Molina, M. & Gutierrez, D. "High School Puente Final Evaluation Reports" No. 1-4, *University of California*, Davis, CA, 1995-1998.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS & WRITING EXPERIENCE

AWP Writing Conference (Attendee)

Anticipated March 2023

Motivational Speaker – Grapes of Hope: Lessons Learned

ALMA Group – QVC

Philadelphia, PA December 15, 2022

Pioneer Valley Writers' Memoir Workshop March 2022 to March 2023

Writing Coaching with Karen Terrey

January 2021 to January 2022

Master Revision Workshop with Karen Terrey

January 2021 to January 2022

Guest Speaker, California Migrant Education Conference

Sacramento, CA March 2022

Guest Speaker, Puente English Class (087)

San Bernardino Valley College

San Bernardino, CA October 2021

AWP Writing Conference (Attendee) March 2021

National Latinx Writers Gathering (Attendee) October 2020

Squaw Valley Writing Group Workshop

August 2020

Califas en Comunidad: A Creative Writing Workshop with Cathy Arellano

Las Maestras Center, UC Santa Barbara

Santa Barbara, CA Summer 2020

Our Stories: Cross Generational Writers' Conference

Hart Senior Center & Cosumnes River Community College

Sacramento, CA April 2014-2019

ARC Summer Words Writing Conference

American River Community College

Sacramento, CA May 2017

Latina Writing Group, Founder

CSU Sacramento 2010

Latina Literary Group, Co-Founder

CSU Sacramento 1991

CREATIVE WRITING CLASSES

Poetry Class – (ENGCW 420) Spring 2020

Cosumnes River Community College

Sacramento, CA

Creative Writing Class (ENGCW 400) Fall 2019

Folsom Lake Community College, Folsom, CA

Creative Non-Fiction Writing Workshop (ENGCW 430) Spring 2018

Folsom Lake Community College, Folsom, CA

WORK EXPERIENCE

College Teaching Fall 2000 - Spring 2018

Associate Professor, Bilingual Multicultural Depart., College of Education, CSU Sacramento

- -Taught Multicultural Classes in Teaching Credential, Masters and Doctoral (EDD) Programs
- -Taught Freshmen Seminar

Sacramento, CA

Higher Education - Student Services

Cooperative Education Director, College of Engineering & Computer Science, CSU Sacramento Sacramento, CA

Career & Testing Services Coordinator, Western Region Office, American College Testing Sacramento, CA

College Recruiter, EOP/Student Affirmative Action Program, CSU Chico Chico, CA

Program Director, UC Early Outreach Partnership Program, U.C. Santa Cruz Fresno Satellite Office Fresno, CA

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

School Board Member – Natomas Charter School Sacramento, CA

October 2019 to Present

FELLOWSHIP

Bilingual Education Doctoral Fellowship, U.S. Department of Education, UC Davis

AWARDS

| CSUS HEP (High School Equivalency Program-GED) Service Award | 2012 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Nominated CSUS Faculty for Outstanding Community Service | 2011 & 2012 |
| 40-Influential Women Award of St. Mary's College October | 2010 |
| Latina Alumni Awards, St. Mary's College November | 2007 |
| Outstanding CSU Sacramento, Associated Students Inc. | -00- |
| Faculty Advisor Award | 2005 |

REFERENCES

Dorian Fox, Writer & Writing Instructor Pioneer Valley Memoir Writing Group Boston, MA <u>Doriandfox@gmail.com</u> (412) 736-0719

Karen Terrey, MFA - Writing Coach, Editor, Poet, Tangled Roots Writing <u>Tangledrootswriting@gmail.com</u> (530) 386-3901

Lauren Brollier -Newton, Life Coach and CEO of Soul Savvy Laurenbrollier@gmail.com