

## **Dr. Mark Sanchez**



Dr. Mark Sanchez currently serves as the Assistant Superintendent/Vice-President of Student Success and Support Programs, College Centers at Cuesta College in San Luis Obispo, California. Dr. Sanchez provides leadership in collaboration with the Deans, Faculty Chairs and staff in the following Instructional and Student Support Services Programs: Continuing Education, English as a Second Language, Library and Learning Resources, Student Success Centers, Outreach and Enrollment Services, Counseling, Financial Aid, International Student Program, Disability Support Program, Student Development and Success, Student Health Centers, and Student Life and Leadership. Dr. Sanchez also provides leadership for the North County Campus in Paso Robles, CA and South County Center in Arroyo Grande CA, ensuring the equitable delivery of services at all sites.

Dr. Sanchez' professional profile includes over twenty years of experience in community college leadership, teaching and instruction and workforce development. Prior to his tenure at Cuesta College, Dr. Sanchez served as the Dean of Student Affairs, Counseling at Hartnell College; Dean of Student Services, Counseling at Fresno City College; and Director of Student Support Programs at San Jose Evergreen Valley College. Dr. Sanchez also teaches university graduate courses online (asynchronous) in the Masters of Education Program at Brandman University. Prior to beginning his profession in post-secondary leadership, Dr. Sanchez worked in developing educational and career programs at the Fresno County Workforce Development Board and programs administered through the San Diego Workforce Partnership.

Dr. Sanchez is a collaborative leader who works effectively with constituent groups on campus as well as businesses and community based partners. He is a strong supporter of whole person development and services that assist college students with the skills they need to complete their educational, career and personal goals. Among these services is access to counseling, financial aid, academic supports, and mental health/wellness coaching for students. Throughout his career, Dr. Sanchez has worked with excellent teams of college faculty, staff, students and administrators to expand the overall availability of equity focused programs on college campuses.

Dr. Sanchez is a native of San Diego, CA and began his college career at Southwestern College in Chula Vista, CA where he met his wife Yvette, a life-long resident of Monterey County. They are proud parents of Emma who is a Communication Studies major at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Upon completing his studies at the community college, Dr. Sanchez went on to complete his Bachelors of Arts in Sociology at Point Loma Nazarene University in San Diego, CA. His Masters of Arts in Education Administration with Distinction and Doctorate in Educational Leadership both from California State University, Fresno. He and his family have called Monterey County their home continuously for the past fifteen years, are engaged with many community organizations and enjoy everything the beautiful region has to offer.