

Outstanding New Professional 2021



Erica Perez, CAMP

Erica is the Program Coordinator of the College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP), where she oversees direct services and programming for students from migrant and seasonal farm working backgrounds. She became coordinator in January 2020, after nearly ten years of involvement with the CAMP program in multiple capacities.

Erica comes from a migrant farm-working background and grew up traveling between Mexico and French Camp, CA. Despite the many challenges caused by migrant status, Erica is an example of the perseverance and determination that exists among first-generation college students and first-generation professionals. Her transition from CAMPer, to intern, student employee, Marketing & Communications Specialist, and now CAMP Coordinator, has been smooth and successful. It also exemplifies the opportunities that exist at Sacramento State for individuals from marginalized backgrounds.

Erica performs her role in an exemplary manner. She is accessible and welcoming, and she provides students with appropriate support and guidance, empowering them to reach their full potential. Likewise, Erica is collaborative and student-centered; for example, by partnering with the Career Center she has helped ensure that CAMP students are exposed to career development workshops and employer activities while providing community partners opportunities to share career stories and trajectories with students.

All and all, Erica is a person of integrity who demonstrates an unwavering commitment to being of service to our centers/programs, the Division of Student Affairs, and the University. She does her work with a high level of purpose, care, and passion.

Erica is an inspiring and promising new professional who is already an asset to Sacramento State and the Division of Student Affairs.

Outstanding New Professional Nominees

- Susana Carrillo, Financial Aid & Scholarships
- Rebecca “Becky” Woods, Financial Aid & Scholarships