## **Guadalupe Martinez Zapata**



Guadalupe Martinez Zapata is one of six siblings and the daughter of farmworker parents with the highest aspirations and regard for education and civism. Guadalupe inherited this love and commitment to education and service and has made a life-long career of finding pathways of accessibility and equity for nontraditional student populations. Her firsthand experience with marginalization and being the parent of a biracial child have strengthened her advocacy for parents and students of color. Her greatest motivation, her son Diego, recently completed his baccalaureate degree in mathematics at Howard University.

Guadalupe has been a college instructor at several institutions of higher education in Oregon for over 23 years. She has served as full-time faculty in the Counseling Department at Clackamas Community College since 2000, as well as teaching Chican@/Latinx studies at Portland State University. Prior to instruction, Guadalupe worked in student services administration at Oregon State University, University of Oregon and California State University, Chico.

Guadalupe led the Oregon Leadership Institute for Latinx youth in the Clackamas Community College service district for seven years, graduating over 100 young leaders and providing peer and academic mentoring to each. She has been invited to speak and conduct trainings on issues of Latinx history, Chicana feminism, equity, and access to higher education at several local and regional conferences, including the Cesar Chavez Leadership Conference, The Student Success and Retention Conference, TedxPacificUWomen Talk, and the Women of Color Community Empowerment Conference at PCC, Rock Creek. Lupita, as her mother insisted people call her, served on the Oregon State University Alumni Association Board and the Clackamas County OSU Extension Board. She is currently a director on the board for Embold Federal Credit Union, and the Chair of the Oregon State Board of Education.

Ms. Martinez obtained her bachelor's and master's degrees from Oregon State University, where she was a CAMP student, and subsequently a CAMP Academic Counselor while she worked on her master's degree.

## Trino Sandoval



At age 17, Trino migrated from Michoacan, Mexico, to Washington state, the Yakima Valley, to be more precise. Apple, pears, cherry, and hop fields surround the Yakima Valley. Trino worked as an apple picker and pruner at different orchards. Trino enrolled in the HEP program offered by the University of Oregon and took ESL (English as a Second language) courses while working in the apple fields.

Inspired by the momentum, Trino continued with college courses and earned an AA at Yakima Valley College. Then, he decided to continue with higher education and enrolled at Heritage University; in 2005, he attained a Social Worker degree.

Today, Trino is a Social Worker, author, and motivational speaker. Who promotes education as the tool of success in life. During his workshops, Trino motivates

students and adults to aim high when pursuing their dreams—over 100 presentations at Universities, colleges, high schools, and National and State Migrant conferences nationwide. Trino has presented in Mexico and Colombia and traveled to Italy, Canada, and Germany.

His two books, "Cuando la noche se nos viene encima" and "El regreso del Colibri," are essential to not giving up on your dreams.