



Jessica Gonzales

Greetings Everyone,

My name is Jessica M. Gonzales. I started my career at Mesalands Community College in 2004-2009 as the college's recruiter. During my time away from Mesalands, I served as an adjunct professor. I returned full-time to Mesalands Community College in 2014 as the Director of Financial Aid and have acquired new roles over the past several years. I am currently the Dean of Student Services, overseeing Financial Aid, Recruiting, Advisement, and Admissions, as well as serving as the PDSO for International Admissions, the VCO for Veterans, and the Athletic Director. I am also an adjunct instructor for our main campus and all correctional facilities in the state of NM.

My husband, David, and I just built our "forever" home and operate a small cow/calf cattle operation. My husband retired from the NM Transportation Department after 27.5 years and is now a rural mail carrier. We have two daughters, one grandson, one granddaughter, a son-in-law, and one VERY spoiled German Shepherd named Ellie. Our oldest daughter Caitlin is married and is the mother to our precious grandchildren. She is a middle school science teacher in Albuquerque, and our son-in-law is a pilot for the NM National Guard. Our youngest daughter Emma, has found a career that she loves in banking and lives in Amarillo, Texas. I received my B.A. & M.A. from NMHU and am currently enrolled in American College of Education pursuing my Doctorate.

I would like to be the next President-Elect of NMAASFAA as I would like to give back to the organization that has provided so much guidance and support over the years. NMAASFAA is vital to our continued success and partnerships as we navigate the ever-changing financial aid landscape. It would be an honor to be your President Elect.

