

Alumni Profile

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Career

Please provide a brief overview of your career path since graduating from UCI.

While at UCI, my research focused on improving glycemic control in adult Latinos. I integrated medical care and diabetes education and support in a group setting for adult Latino participants with uncontrolled diabetes. I am currently integrating this program as a standard of care at the community clinic where I am employed.

How do you hope to make a difference?

I want to continue research in the community to improve the health of the community and decrease disparity. I hope to integrate group visits as a standard of care in the community clinic.

Your Time at UCI

When did you attend UCI?

I attended from 2014 to 2018

What program were you in?

PhD in Nursing Science

Why did you choose to come to UCI?

I choose the UCI nursing program based on its reputation since I attained my family nurse practitioner certificate at UCI. In addition, I felt that a PhD degree from the UCI Sue and Bill Gross School of Nursing would give me a competitive edge as I search for an academic position as a nursing professor.

Reflections

What made you decide to pursue a graduate degree?

I wanted to prepare myself to teach future family nurse practitioners. The entry level for the

family nurse practitioner is transforming to doctoral prepared nurses. In order to adequately prepare these nurses, competent nursing instructors are necessary.

Alumni Life

What are you currently up to?

I am currently working as a family nurse practitioner in a community clinic in Orange County. I have submitted applications at various nursing schools for a position as a professor.

What person inspires you?

Lorraine Evangelista, my advisor and mentor has ingrained in me a passion to set and accomplish goals. Although these goals were academic in nature, they provided career-oriented objectives.