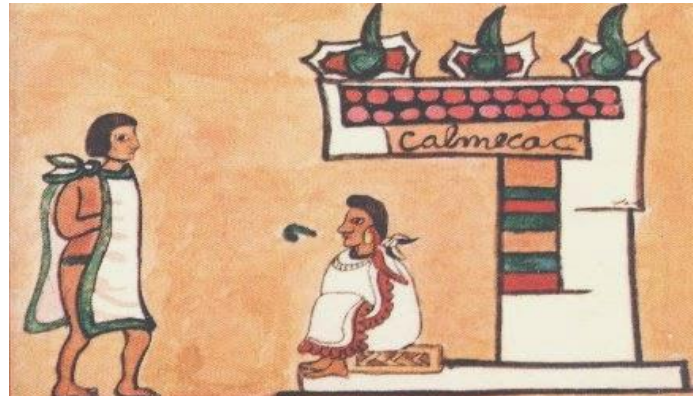


**Latinx Faculty and Staff Association Proudly Presents  
A Lecture by Professor Leticia Contreras**

**The Importance of the Telpochcalli and the Calmecac: Aztec Compulsory Education**

This lecture will cover the many facets of Aztec/Mexica education. The Aztec/Mexica people are one of the oldest societies who introduced mandatory education to their society. All people of every class and gender were obligated to go to school, which was unique across the globe at the time. We will cover everything from philosophy of education, to what was taught in schools, to the many traditions that teachers were responsible for upholding among the Aztec/Mexica.



**Professor Contreras** was born in Los Angeles to pre-school teacher Evangelina Ojeda and High School Spanish teacher Concepcion Contreras. She spent summers in her father's hometown of Guadalupe Victoria, Zacatecas, where she found her love of history, anthropology, and archaeology. She went on to obtain her Bachelor's degree at the University of California, Santa Cruz in Anthropology with a focus on Archaeology, conducted archaeological field and lab work in England, in the American Southwest, in Northern Mexico, and in the Lucre Valley of Peru. Her Master's degree is in Anthropology and Social Change from the California Institute of Integral Studies where she studied historical and contemporary displacement of different ethnic and age groups in San Francisco. She is currently pursuing her doctorate degree, studying the historical and contemporary relations between land and freedom in the U.S. with an emphasis on Indigenous and rural/agricultural communities.

Monday, October 11 at 3:00 pm

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