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TACHE LAUNCHES INAUGURAL CAREER & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE TO INCREASE HISPANIC REPRESENTATION IN HIGHER ED LEADERSHIP

The Inaugural Cohort Nomination Open Now

[Canyon, TX, November, 22] — The Texas Association of Chicanos in Higher Education (TACHE) is proud to launch the inaugural Career and Leadership Development Institute, designed to promote and prepare Hispanic leaders in Texas for executive administration in higher education.

TACHE will introduce the institute designed to accommodate 25 participants and will begin soliciting nominations from college and university leaders, Nov. 25. The deadline to submit nominations via tache.org is Jan. 10, 2020.

The curriculum was designed by current and past TACHE State Board members who also serve as leaders of colleges and universities in Texas. There are four topic areas that participants will focus on during the one-day pre-conference institute and two topic areas will be delivered via webinar later in the academic year.

“This is an exciting time for TACHE,” said Dr. Elizabeth Palacios, TACHE’s immediate Past-President. “We feel that it is our responsibility to develop future leaders who can come to our institute and receive philosophical and applicable research on how to further their careers in higher education.”

According to the 2017 American College President Study, 73 percent of college leaders are White. The study was commissioned by the American Council on Education. TACHE’s mission

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is dedicated to the improvement of educational and employment opportunities for Chicanos in higher education.

"TACHE is well positioned to assist our community with leadership development by connecting rising talent with experts in the field," said Dr. Maggie de la Teja, a TACHE past president.

Daniel Villanueva, TACHE President-Elect, announced that the inaugural cohort would be named after Linda Contreras-Bullock, a long-time member and former president. Contreras-Bullock was a dedicated administrator at the University of Houston—Clear Lake, championing diversity and Latino success throughout her career. She retired in 2017.

"I was shocked and honored that the State Board found it necessary to honor me with the naming rights of the inaugural institute. I plan to engage with each participant and I'm committed to advocating for their placement in higher positions," said Contreras-Bullock.

TACHE is hosting the 45th annual conference next Feb. 19 – 22, 2020 at the Houston Marriott Sugar Land Hotel. Registration for the convention, along with information about breakout sessions and poster presentations, can be found online at tache.org.

"The conference is coming together well and we have some dynamic keynote speakers joining us as we celebrate 45 years of continued success," said Dr. Daniel Rodriguez, TACHE President.

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Since 1974 TACHE has been committed to the improvement of educational and employment opportunities for Chicanos in higher education, and believes in diversity and inclusion regardless of background. As an association the interchangeable term "Chicano" is used to include all of a Latino or Hispanic background, as well as those who support us, however we understand that there can be many interpretations of the term. Its purpose is to provide state, regional, and local forums for the discussion of issues related to Chicanos/Latinos in higher education and to collaborate with institutions of higher learning to create workable solutions for these issues. The association has four goals: 1) Educational Advocacy, 2) Networking, 3) Recruitment and Retention and 4) Cultural Promotion.