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**English Learners**

*The Center for Equity for English Learners*  
*(CEEL) invites you to an in-person lecture*

# FEATURED SPEAKER SERIES

## Early Childhood Well-Being in Multilingual and Multicultural Contexts

**MAY 21, 2025 | 6:00PM-7:30PM**

**Loyola Marymount University**  
**University Hall McIntosh (3999)**  
1 LMU DRIVE, LOS ANGELES, CA

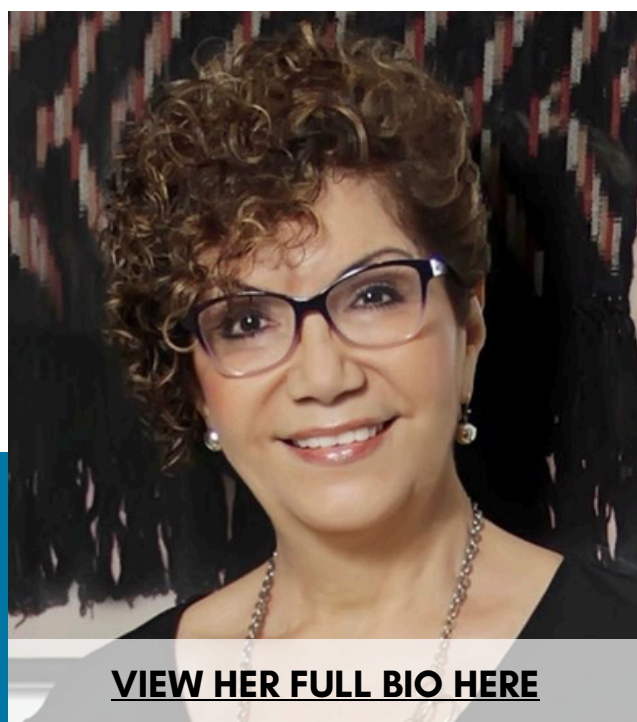
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### FEATURING

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*Director, Institute for Early Childhood  
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The number of people leaving their communities in search for a better life for them and their families has increased dramatically during the last twenty years. About 20 percent of the world's total international migrants live in the United States. One consequence of these migration movements is the increased linguistic and cultural diversity in communities and schools; bilingual/multilingual children are a third of the U.S. child population ages 0-8. This session will focus on the questions: Why should children's languages, cultures and diverse abilities be considered when seeking to improve quality in early care and education and overall children's well-being? and how do early educators, administrators and policymakers can work towards reaching this goal? We will discuss interdisciplinary asset-based perspectives to maximize children's well-being and build resilience in multilingual and multicultural contexts.

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