

# New Latino services coordinator hired

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Tina Perez, Clackamas' Coordinator for Latino Student Services, is new to the campus—she joined the staff Sept. 15, the week before school started.

"I received a crash course in learning what Clackamas was about," she said.

Perez graduated this past September with her master's degree in Latin American Studies from the University of California Santa Barbara, after completing her B.A. in history at Albertson College in Idaho. Perez hopes to maintain a permanent position at Clackamas Community College, close to Vancouver, WA and her brother and parents, with whom she currently resides.

Perez teaches "Latino Leadership" (Human Development 190-01) every Wednesday 2-4 p.m. in the Dye Learning Center, room 105. "I currently have 20 students enrolled," said

Perez. "It's very exciting because half the students are new and the other half are returning students."

Perez's other duties include visiting local high schools to recruit students for the Oregon Leadership Institute and she is advisor for Chatino Club.

"With this I hope to get classes grow even more," added Perez.

"Coming to Clackamas gives me the opportunity to teach and be with students, which is what I love," said Perez. Her long-term goals include continuing her education and earning

her Ph.D. and traveling to Latin America to learn more about her culture and heritage.

For more information about Latino services or the Chatino Club, contact Tina Perez at ext. 2717 (657-6958), or E-mail her at [tinap@clackamas.cc.or.us](mailto:tinap@clackamas.cc.or.us).

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Tina Perez, who earned a master's degree in Latin American studies from UC-Santa Barbara and has a B.A. in History from Albertson College, is new to Clackamas as the Latino Student Services Coordinator. She is also the advisor for Latino Leadership class, held Wednesdays from 2-4 p.m.

# Nueve Coordinadora para servicios Latinos

TRANSLATION BY TINA PEREZ

Tina Perez, coordinadora de servicios para Latinos en Clackamas Community College, es nueva en el colegio, empezo a trabajar el 15 de Septiembre, una semana antes de empezar clases normales y ella dijo.

"Yo recebi un curso rapido para intender todo lo que pasa aqui

en Clackamas."

Ella se graduo en Septiembre con una maestria en estudios Latinos en la Universidad de California en Santa Barbara despues de terminar sus estudios en Historia del colegio Albertson en Idaho. Ella espera que la posicion sea permanente cerca de Vancouver donde vive con sus padres y hermano.

Perez es la instructora de la clase "Latino Leadership" (Human Development 190-01) cada Miercoles de las 2 asta 4 de la tarde en el edificio de Dye Learning Center cuarto 105. "Yo tengo 20 estudiantes en la clase," dice Perez. "Estoy muy emocionada porque la mitad de mis estudiantes son nuevos y los nuevos y los otros son estudiantes que regresaron a

la clase otra vez."

Otra responsabilidades de Perez son visitar a escuelas seconaras para la Instituto Liderazgo de Oregon, y tambien ella es conserjera del club Chatino.

"Con esto quiero que la clase crezca," dice Perez.

"Ensenando aqui me da la oportunidad de enseñar y estar con estudiantes, que es lo que me

gusta," dice Perez. Su meta a largo plazo incluye continuar su educacion y obtener su Ph.D. y viajar a Latino America y aprender mas acerca de su cultura.

Para mas informacion de la oficina de Servicios de Latinos o del Club Chatino puedes llamar a Tina Perez at ext. 2717 o puedes escribir por correo electronico [tinap@clackamas.cc.or.us](mailto:tinap@clackamas.cc.or.us).

# Gray wins poetry award, to be published

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English teacher Kate Gray has won an award for her poetry and will have her poems published in a book.

Gray won the Blue Light Poetry Prize—a national contest put on by a small press out of San Francisco—over 150 other contestants.

"I started to cry and was very excited . . . at the same time, stunned," Gray said about the contest.

Gray has been teaching at Clackamas for eight years and has been writing poems all her life. She took a sabbatical leave last year; a part of the reason for the year away from teaching was to write poetry.

What sacrifices and effort did it take to get her poetry published?

"It was like having another career, but it was a labor of love," Gray said.



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English instructor Kate Gray won an award for her poetry writing and will be published in a 24-page book entitled "Where She Goes."

The poems that Gray wrote were collected into a "chapbook," a 24-page book entitled "Where She Goes." Many of the poems in the chapbook are about rowing on the Willamette River; rowing is a sport that Gray enjoys in her spare time. Gray said that her book is sup-

posed to be out in November - or "if not, then look to see it before the millennium," she said.

Gray has a goal in mind for her poems.

"What I hope to achieve with my poetry is to connect with an audience," she said.

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*We put the "n" in winner.  
The second "n," not the first one. That was some other guy.*

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