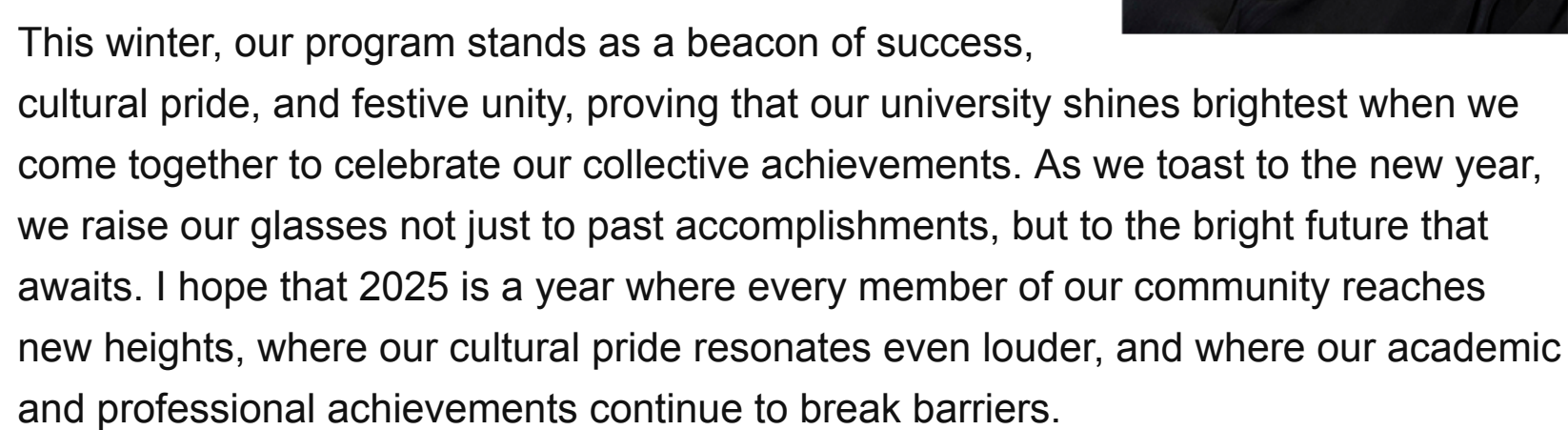




Winter 2025 Newsletter

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As the winter quarter blankets our campus with excitement for the new year, the UCI-OC Alliance members continue to illuminate its accomplishments with the warmth of our community's successes. Our members have offered guidance that extends above and beyond career advice to embrace holiday traditions and work-life integration. It is inspiring to see the surge in academic achievements that have helped us begin 2025 with much to celebrate.

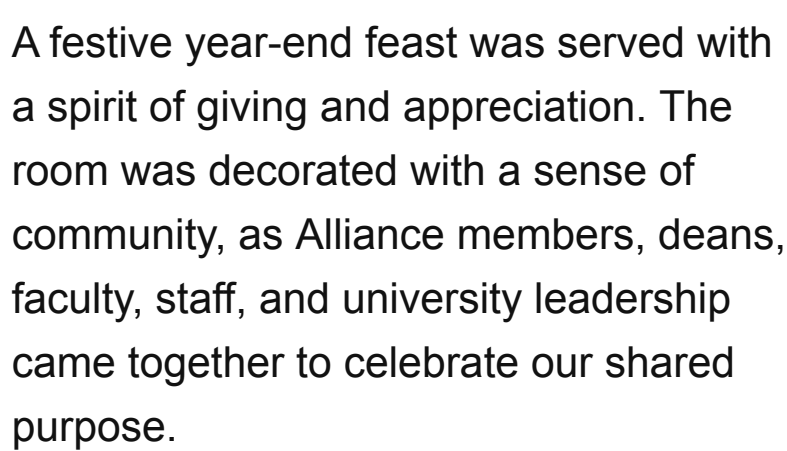


Here's to a year filled with triumph, growth, and the unbreakable spirit of the UCI-OC Alliance!

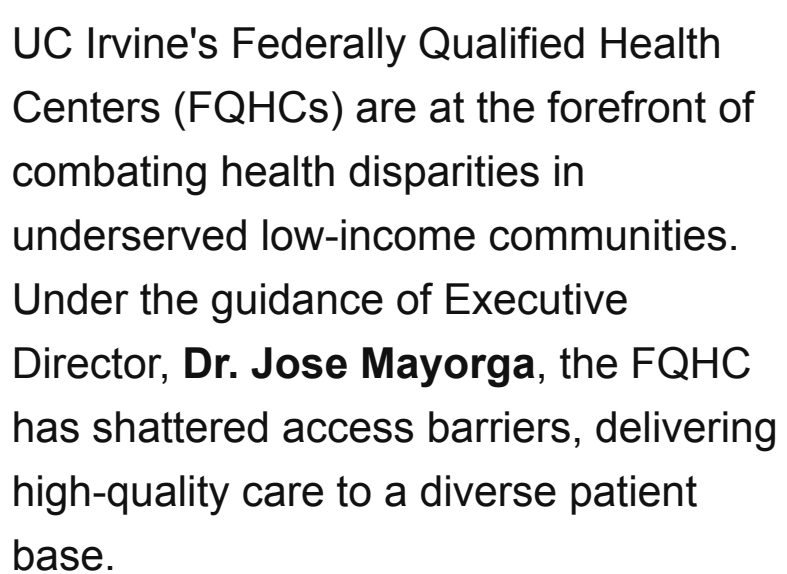
Maria Cervantes
Executive Director

UCI-OC ALLIANCE UPDATES

Holiday Gathering with a Purpose

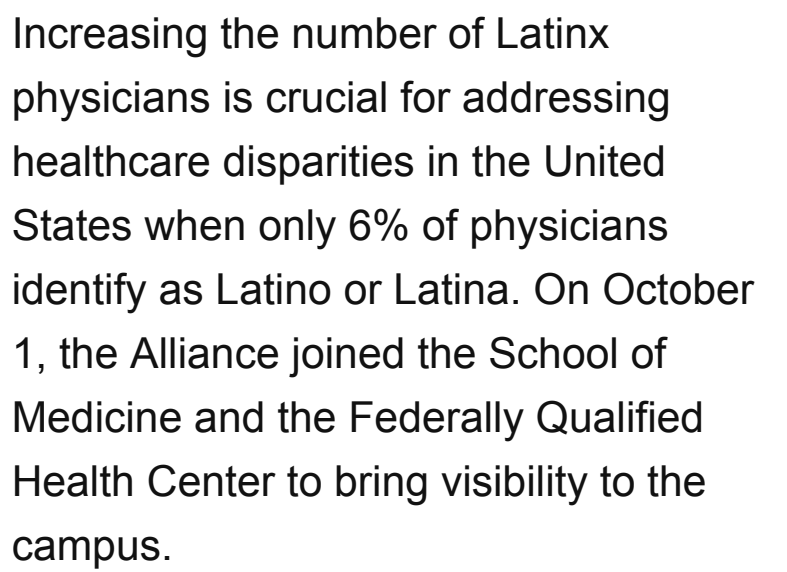
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A Time of Giving

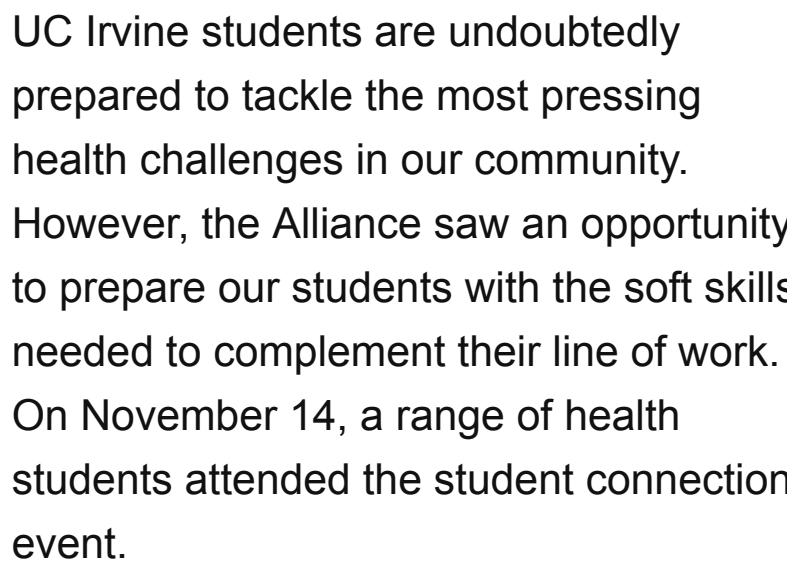
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CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

Latinx Professionals in Medicine

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UCI-OC ALLIANCE SPOTLIGHTS

Scholar Spotlight: Elijah Gabriel Guerra



Against all odds, **Elijah Gabriel Guerra**, a 3rd year criminology major at UC Irvine, has triumphed over unimaginable adversity. At 20 years old, this remarkable young man has endured more hardships than many will face in a lifetime.

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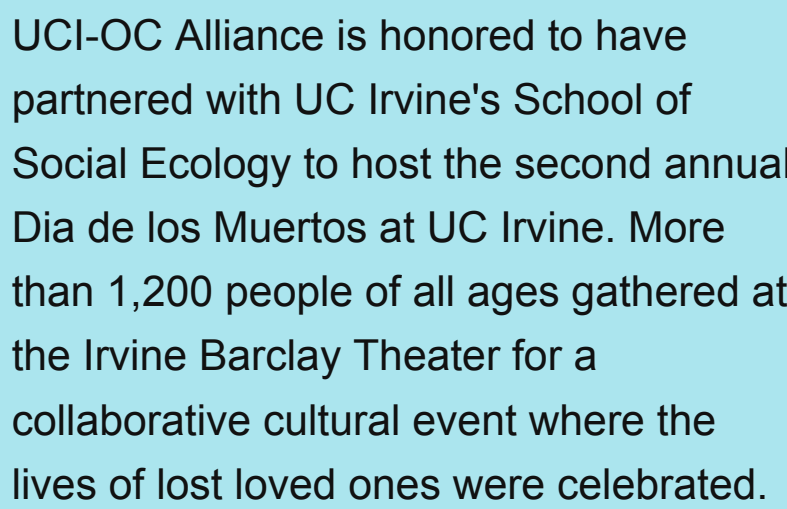
Member Spotlight: Iván Lugo Cardona

As Vice President of Global Quality, Advanced Patient Monitoring at Becton, Dickinson and Company, **Iván Lugo Cardona**, exemplifies leadership and community engagement as an active founding member of the UCI-OC Alliance and Health Affairs Committee Co-Chair. Distinguished for his passion, grit, and influential presence, Iván has garnered immense respect among his peers.

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