

Triple Helix Career Panel Discussion

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Schedule

5:30-6:00 pm **Check-in and Reception**

6:00-6:45 pm **Opening Remarks**

Dr. Osman Özturgut
Dean of Research and Graduate Studies

Introduction of Panelists

Ms. Andrea Guajardo
Chair, Workforce Solutions Alamo
Regional Director of Community Health, Christus Santa Rosa

Panel Discussion with

Dr. Kathi Light
Provost, University of the Incarnate Word

Dr. Henry Cuellar (TX-28)
United States Congressman

Dr. George Hernández
President and CEO, University Health System

6:45-7:00 pm **Question and Answer**

7:00pm **Adjourn**



Moderator--Triple Helix Panel Discussion

Ms. Andrea Guajardo is Director of Community Health for CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Health System, and Adjunct Professor at the University of the Incarnate Word where she is also pursuing a doctorate in education. Ms. Guajardo is a board member of several nonprofit community organizations and is 2017 Chair of the Board for Workforce Solutions Alamo. She earned a Master of Public Health degree from the University of Texas Health Science Center--Houston.

Panel Discussants



Dr. Kathi Light has worked in higher education for over 30 years. Currently she is the Provost and Chief Academic Officer at University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, Texas. Prior to assuming the position of Provost in June 2012, Dr. Light was Dean of the Ila Faye Miller School of Nursing and Health Professions at UIW, a position she held for 14 years. Dr. Light received her bachelor's degree in nursing from Incarnate Word College, her Master's degree in Parent-Child Nursing from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, and her doctorate in Adult and Continuing Education from Texas A&M University.



The son of two migrant parents, Dr. Henry Cuellar has served his constituents as Laredo's State Representative, Texas Secretary of State, and now as U.S. Congressman. Dr. Cuellar is a true champion of higher education. He believes one of the most important goals of government is to help more Texans realize their dream of attaining a college degree. Dr. Cuellar holds five college degrees, including an A.A. in Political Science from Laredo Community College, a B.S. from Georgetown University, an MBA in International Trade from Texas A&M International University, as well as a JD and a PhD in Government from the University of Texas at Austin, earning him the title of "most degreed member of Congress."



Dr. George B. Hernández, Jr. is the President/Chief Executive Officer of University Health System. He also serves as a member of the "Code Red" Task Force on Access to Health Care in Texas. Dr. Hernández serves on the board of America's Essential Hospitals, the board of the University HealthSystem Consortium, and is past chair of both the Texas Hospital Association (2013) and Teaching Hospitals of Texas (2005-08). Dr. Hernández is a native of San Antonio. He earned a bachelor's degree from St. Mary's University and law degree from George Washington University School of Law in Washington, D.C.

The Triple Helix concept is grounded in the interaction of university, industry, and government which generates an innovation system format to facilitate a successful collaboration among the three agencies to support the mission of providing educational and career incentives for students. Triple Helix theory supports the concept that learning by doing, learning by using, and learning by interaction leads to increased efficiency.

The Office of Research and Graduate Studies embraces the Triple Helix concept and supports a change pedagogy from traditional manners of teaching and research activities, in place of problem-based learning in education.



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