
KEEPING UP CON HLC

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This Semesters Goal

- Hispanic Heritage Month
- Movie Night
- Latin Night
- Game Night + Historian Elections
- Cultural Dinner Dance (DEI Board Event)
- Taza y Charla
- Gingerbread House Decorating

Dear Members,

To every member who joined us this semester, thank you. Your presence, enthusiasm, and willingness to show up made every event special. Whether you were dancing at Latin Night, laughing during movie night, or sipping hot chocolate at Taza y Charla, you brought life and spirit to our club.

We are grateful for the way you welcomed new faces, shared your ideas, and celebrated our culture together. Each time you attended an event, helped decorate, asked a question, or encouraged someone else, you helped build a community where people feel comfortable, proud, and connected.

This semester was meaningful because of you, your laughter, your participation, and your desire to learn and grow together. Thank you for making HLC a space where everyone can belong.

Thank you for making this semester one to remember.

Aquí seguimos juntos, fuertes, y orgullosos

Gracias,
The E-Board



Meet the E-Board



Co-President (Itati Serrano)
 Major: Political Science & Global Studies
 Year: Senior
 Ethnicity: Ecuadorian



Co-President (Viviana Zea)
 Major: Crime and Justice Studies
 Year: Senior
 Ethnicity: Ecuadorian



Vice President (Jasmin Arias Lopez)
 Major: Business Administration (Marketing) & Spanish
 Year: Junior
 Ethnicity: Guatemalen



Secretary (Cindy Escobar Lopez)
 Major: Fashion Merchandising
 Minor: Business
 Year: Junior
 Ethnicity: Guatemalen



Treasurer (Estrella Ruano)
 Major: Business & Spanish
 Year: Sophomore
 Ethnicity: Guatemalen



Social Media Coordinator (Gina Sanchez)
 Major: Human Biology
 Year: Sophomore
 Ethnicity: Ecuadorian



Historian (Daniella Ramirez)
 Major: Psychology & Spanish
 Year: Sophomore
 Ethnicity: Guatemalen & Colombian



Hispanic Heritage Month

To honor Hispanic Heritage Month, our club came together for a special community gathering in the dining hall. Members shared a variety of traditional Hispanic foods, creating a warm and welcoming environment that reflected our cultures and traditions. We decorated the space and worked together to make papel picado, symbolizing the vibrancy and artistry found across Latin America. This event reminded us of the power of community, the importance of cultural pride, how meaningful it is to celebrate our roots with one another.

Every year, Hispanic Heritage Month spans from Sept. 15 until Oct. 15, but it is often overlooked. However, this year, Co-Presidents of the Hispanic Latino Club (HLC), Itati Serrano '26 and Viviana Zea '26, made it their priority to honor this month at Marist University.

-Marist Circle

“Hopefully, we can uplift our community specifically during this month because it’s so important and it always goes by, but it deserves to be celebrated in its own way as it’s so unique,” Serrano said

Happy Holidays from HLC



Thank you to every member who showed up, participated, and brought their heart to our events this fall. Your energy is what makes this club meaningful, whether you were eating together during the Hispanic Heritage Month celebration, decorating papel picado, laughing at Shrek, dancing at Latin Night, practicing your Spanish at Taza y Charla, or decorating gingerbread cookies together with Black Student Union to close out the semester. Thank you to all who helped create a space where our culture feels alive and respected.

We appreciate the kindness you showed to the new members, the courage to practice Spanish, and the willingness to step outside your comfort zone. Every game night, every plate shared, every conversation, and every smile helped build a welcoming community where everyone can feel included.

This semester was full of connection, collaboration, and new memories because of you. Thank you for helping us grow not only as a club, but as a community.

We cannot wait to see what we build together next.

Con Carino,
The E-Board



We wanted to extend our deepest gratitude to Jasmin, our Vice President, for her dedication, leadership, and the love she has poured into HLC. Your hard work helped shape this club, welcoming, supportive, and vibrant community it is today. From planning events to guiding new members, you always showed up with patience, strength, and a heart full of culture.

As you begin your study abroad journey in Spain next semester, we could not be prouder. We know you will continue to grow, learn, and represent our community beautifully wherever you go. While we will miss your presence on campus, your impact will stay with us, and your legacy will continue to inspire future members.

Thank you, Jasmin
You will always have a community here at HLC
Buen viaje y hasta pronto.

*HLC to me means finding friends
who you can share your culture
with!*

-Jasmin Arias Lopez

Get Involved!

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