

EOPS CARE

Nallely Leyva-Diaz

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Nallely Leyva-Diaz is a first-generation Latina who started at SBCC via the EOPS-SPARC (Single Parents Arriving Ready for College) Program in 2016. Nallely's initial goal was to pursue a degree in Nursing, which later shifted to Early Childhood Education before settling into her passion areas of Ethnic/Chicanx Studies and Spanish. Nallely will receive a total of four degrees— Chicanx Studies, Ethnic Studies, Spanish, and Liberal Arts in the Social and Behavioral Arts and Humanities— and will be transferring to the University of CA at Santa Barbara to pursue a four-year degree in Chicanx Studies. Per Nallely, SPARC made all the difference in her ability to be successful at SBCC. Nallely's 6 year-old daughter Eva and 2 year-old son Mateo will undoubtedly be cheering their brilliant and resilient mama on as she leaves us to pursue the next chapter of her educational journey. Adelante Nallely!!!