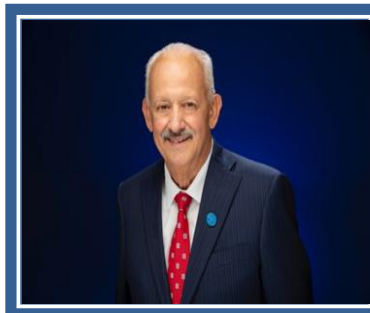


Tomas David Morales, PHD



Dr. Tomás D. Morales is the fourth president in California State University, San Bernardino (CSUSB) history, having been named to the position in 2012. A staunch advocate of empowering student success, he has championed the importance of access to higher education and preparing young people for collegiate success over his nearly 50-year career as an educator and administrator.

He successfully completed CSUSB's first fundraising campaign while doubling the university endowment and is well on the way to successfully completing its second. His dedication to supporting diversity in higher education prompted the development of the institution's unique Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Board. In addition, he spearheaded the first truly bi-county initiative in Southern California's Inland Empire region to improve college attainment, leading to the founding of the 501(c)(3) organization, Growing Inland Achievement.

CSUSB is both a designated Hispanic-Serving Institution and a Minority-Serving Institution, with a first-generation student majority. In November 2023, the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) recognized CSUSB with their Excellence and Innovation Award for DEI Leadership. CSUSB has also earned the prestigious Seal of *Excelencia* for 2024-27 from *Excelencia* in Education.

Under his leadership, CSUSB is 3rd in the nation for social mobility (the Wall Street Journal's 2025 ranking), has been designated as an R2 university by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education, and has earned the Equity Champion

of Higher Education Award in 2021, '22 and '23 from the Campaign for College Opportunity for its outstanding service to transfer students.

Previously, Dr. Morales was president of the College of Staten Island, The City University of New York, from 2007 to 2012. From 2001 to 2007, he served in various capacities at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona (CPP), including Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Vice President for Student Affairs, and professor of education.

Prior to joining CPP, he served as Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students at The City College of New York. He holds a B.A. in history from SUNY New Paltz and earned his M.S. and Ph.D. in educational administration and policy studies from UAlbany-SUNY.

He is one of the few higher education administrators who has held senior administrative positions at the three largest public university systems in the nation: The California State University, The State University of New York and The City University of New York.

Along with his leadership posts in higher ed organizations such as AASCU and the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities, Dr. Morales has been awarded two honorary degrees: a Doctor of Humane Letters from his alma mater SUNY New Paltz and a Doctor of Humane Letters from the American College of Thessaloniki, Greece. He has received the Ohtli Award, the highest award Mexico's government presents to a civilian outside the country. Additionally, for his service to education and his passion for the sport, the baseball field at the College of Staten Island was named the Tomás D. Morales Baseball Field.