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## Anny Morrobel-Sosa named Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs

MADISON, Wis.— University of Wisconsin System President Ray Cross today announced that Anny Morrobel-Sosa has accepted his offer to serve as Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs. She begins Oct. 1.

Morrobel-Sosa is the president and founder of The Micaela Group, which assists universities in improving student success, closing achievement gaps, and strategic planning, including diversifying students and faculty in science, engineering, technology, and mathematics (STEM) fields.

"Anny's experience in four different university systems, with several types of institutions, and as a Provost, Dean and faculty member has prepared her well for this position," Cross said. "Her personality and management style is very engaging and collaborative, which allows her to connect with people quickly. Anny's life story is amazing, which helps her relate to and communicate with people from all walks of life."

Cross extended the offer to Morrobel-Sosa after an extensive national search.

Morrobel-Sosa will serve as the chief academic officer for the UW System. Her areas of responsibility will include academic programs, diversity and inclusion planning, data and policy analysis, faculty and staff development, student affairs, developmental education, and instructional technology. She will also provide leadership in strategic planning and predictive analytics focused on talent development to support the current and future economic development needs of the state and nation.

Prior to launching The Micaela Group in 2016, Morrobel-Sosa was Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs at the Herbert H. Lehman College, City University of New York, from 2012-2016. She was Dean of the College of Science at the University of Texas at El Paso, from 2007-12, and she has held numerous other administrative and faculty positions at institutions across the United States.

She received her B.S. in Physics and Chemistry at the University of Puerto Rico in 1976, a M.S. in Chemistry at the State University of New York at Stony Brook in 1980, and a Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry at the University of Southern California in 1985.

"I very much look forward to working with President Cross and colleagues in the UW System and the UW campuses to continue to challenge the university community to think beyond what is to what can be," Morrobel-Sosa said. "We will support the perseverance and resilience of students and their families who seek the validation that their particular circumstances should not determine either the legitimacy or the extent of their dreams. And we will continue to expand the Wisconsin idea of commitment to discovery, dissemination and extension of knowledge that improves the human condition while in the search of truth throughout the state, the nation and the globe."



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