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History Story  
Centro de Education y Estudios Transfronterizos

- Dr. Etta Kralovec Video Summary Presentation

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BEC  
History

Historia sobre el Centro de Educación y  
Estudios Transfronterizos







# Beyond Borders- Transpasando Fronteras

Exchange with border teachers and  
Scholars –Mexico to Finland

**WED MAR 14**  
Student Union Memorial Center  
Rincon Room  
[global.arizona.edu/events](http://global.arizona.edu/events)

**Taller: La Frontera**  
Featuring scholars from Helsinki, Finland

Explore the intersection of teaching and research interests with peers from Finland, focusing on education in the Borderlands.

WED, MARCH 14, 2018 | 9:00 am - 12:00 noon | SUMC, Rincon Room

University of Arizona faculty, staff, and scholars are welcome.  
If you are interested in attending, please contact Dr. Etta Kralovec:  
[kralovec@email.arizona.edu](mailto:kralovec@email.arizona.edu)

Join us in welcoming our guests to the University of Arizona campus. This event is supported by the UA Office of Global Initiatives, the College of Social & Behavioral Sciences, UA South and the University of Helsinki. For more information, please visit: [global.arizona.edu/events](http://global.arizona.edu/events)

Global Initiatives | Social & Behavioral Sciences | UA South



Living and Learning on the  
Border Symposium (2011)



FOBESII scholars  
from Mexico



Inaugural Visiting  
Scholar. Dr. Vanessa Falcon

# Goals for BEC Center

## Objetivo del Centro de Educación y Estudios Transfronterizos

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- The main goal for the **Borderlands Education Center -BEC-** is to create an intellectual hub in the rural borderlands of Southeastern Arizona and Northern Mexico, thereby expanding learning and research opportunities for border teachers, researchers, and communities.
- The Center supports initiatives that address the complex educational issues on borders and foster the development of networks of border teachers and researchers and sponsors the **Teacher Identities Institute** and **Sin Fronteras** addressing the border educational context, promoting diversity and inclusion and knowledge exchange with scholars and pre-service and in-service teachers.
- El objetivo principal del Centro de Educación Fronterizo -BEC- es crear un centro intelectual en las zonas fronterizas rurales del sureste de Arizona y el norte de México, ampliando así las oportunidades de aprendizaje e investigación para los maestros, investigadores y comunidades fronterizas.
- El Centro apoya iniciativas que abordan los complejos problemas educativos en las fronteras y fomentan el desarrollo de redes de docentes e investigadores fronterizos y patrocina el Instituto de Identidades Docentes y Sin Fronteras que abordan el contexto educativo fronterizo, promoviendo la diversidad y la inclusión y el intercambio de conocimientos con académicos y pre- docentes en servicio y en servicio.

# *Dra. Vannessa Falcón Orta*



Faculty Director, Cross-  
Cultural Center  
Founding Director,  
Transborder Student  
Ally Program San Diego  
State University-  
Imperial Valley

- Her research is focused on Transfronterizx students in postsecondary and higher education, based on the experience of Transborder students (Transfronteriz – inclusive term) in the Community College system through the photovoice research method. In addition, she has published her findings in the Journal of Transborder Studies, the journal of New Directions for Student Services, Journal of Borderlands Studies and in the National Association of Bilingual Education.
- Currently, she is a Visiting Scholar for the Borderlands Education Center (BEC) at the University of Arizona (UofA), focusing on creating research and spaces of inclusion for Transfronterizx students in the community college at the Douglas-Agua Prieta borderlands.
- She is also an Adjunct Faculty teaching online in the Department of Counseling and Human Services at John Jay College of Criminal Justice. This November, she will join the SDSU campus community as Faculty Director for the new Cross-Cultural Center at SDSU Imperial Valley.

Transfronterizx students in postsecondary and  
higher education  
Estudiantes transfronterizx en educación media  
superior y estudios universitarios

- Dr. Falcón Video Summary Presentation

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# BEC Initiatives

## Iniciativas del Centro de Educación y Estudios Transfronterizos

Provost's Investment Fund (PIF)

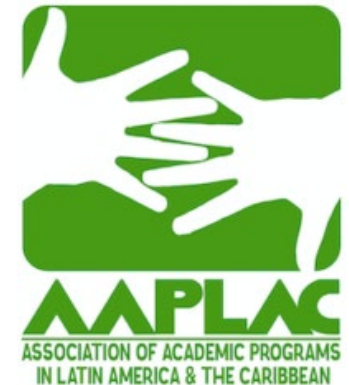
- Inaugural Events at the Consulate of Mexico in Tucson and Douglas
- 2022 AAPLAC Conference "Cultural Awareness and Social Justice"
- Transborder Field Experiences
- Cultural Community Experiences
- Sin Fronteras, an NSF sponsored teacher-led collaborative
- HSI Title V Adelante
- BEC Fellowship – for preservice teachers
- Capsulas Educativas:
  - Transborder Students
  - Bilingual Education History and Stories (Dr. Trejo, Dr. Guerrero & Dr. Saldate)
- Teacher Identities Institute
- Affiliate BEC Faculty



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Native American  
Advancement,  
Initiatives & Research



Hispanic Serving  
Institution Initiatives



Tucson Children's Project

Celebrating The Potential Of All Children



# Palabras que describen mi quehacer docente

Mentimeter



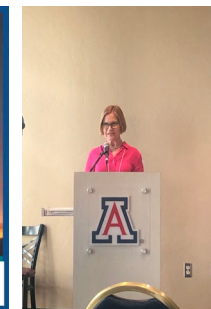
The Mexican Consulate in Douglas and Borderlands Education Center (BEC) in the College of Education invite you to attend an inaugural event

LEARN ABOUT CURRENT AND POTENTIAL BEC INITIATIVES AND PROJECTS AND NETWORK WITH COMMUNITY, CONSULATE, AND UARIZONA MEMBERS. SPONSORED BY UARIZONA PROVOST INVESTMENT FUND.

Date: September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.  
Time: 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

FB live – [Consulmex Douglas](#)

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Seek international grant funding and contracts





# Global Education Minor

**ESPAÑOL**

The Global Education Minor is designed to inform and engage students on how education is understood and operates in diverse international settings. GEM provides interdisciplinary views of social theories and comparative frameworks to understand leading global issues and to address problems in the global education field. It further aims to prepare undergraduates for careers in education that involve working with diverse international populations in the US and abroad. The courses are taught by leading UA faculty with expertise on and professional experiences with international education. Students will learn broad knowledge and skills necessary to move into entry level positions in international education. Additionally, students will be able to tailor their minor curriculum to more specific professional and academic areas of interest, such as schooling, human rights, and sustainability.



Learn about international education practices and study how teaching and learning is understood and



Study global issues and address challenges in the field of global education, apply ethical and social



Prepare for careers involving diverse international populations both in the U.S. and abroad

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Internationalization Initiatives  
Instituto de Educación  
Iniciativas Internacionales

- International Networking and Support
- International Research Collaboration
- Internationalization of the Curriculum and Programs Abroad

# Research on Borderlands

## Investigación en la Frontera US-México



Representation and Meaning Making of  
The Border- and *El Muro*





# Returning Immigrants Research

## Investigación Sobre el Retorno del Migrante

Central Mexico -En el Centro de México



Multilingual and Multicultural Contexts  
En Contextos Bilingües y Multiculturales



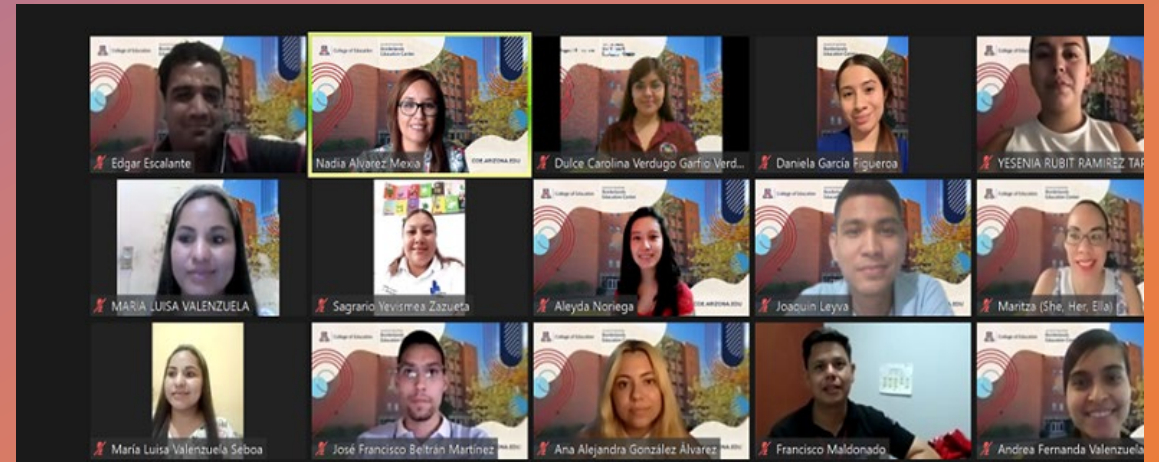
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Teachers Identities Institute  
Summer 2022

Instituto de Educación, Centro de Educación y Estudios  
Transfronterizos  
Instituto de Identidades del Docente  
Verano 2022

- Dr. Nadia Alvarez Video Summary Presentation  
<https://vimeo.com/760062937/ffa34e4c91>

# Borderlands Education Center Teacher Identities Institute

# Centro de Educación y Estudios Transfronterizos Instituto de Identidades del Docente





# BEC Teachers Identities Institute Cohort 2022

## Centro de Educación y Estudios Transfronterizos: Participantes en el Instituto de Identidades del Docente 2022

**“[The Teacher Identities Institute] was a unique and enriching experience. I’m grateful and satisfied with the knowledge that was shared during all sessions; this would support my future as a professional in education.”**

*Fue una experiencia realmente única y enriquecedora, quedo muy agradecida y satisfecha con todo el conocimiento que se brindó durante cada una de las sesiones, el cual se que me servirá de mucha ayuda en un futuro cuando sea una profesional de la educación.*

**“Without a doubt, it was an excellent course, it always provided relevant information, it made me see the differences and similarities of education in both Mexico and the U.S.”**

*Sin duda fue un excelente curso, siempre proporcionó información de gran interés, pude identificar las diferencias y similitudes de la educación en ambos lados, México como EEUU.*

**“Congratulations and thank you for making us part of this experience!”**

*Felicidades y gracias por hacernos parte de esta experiencia*

## On-going BEC Initiatives/ Proyectos e Iniciativas BEC

- Fronterix Higher Education Students
- Immigrants Children's Literacy Research – Alitas and BEC Partnership
- Visiting Scholars
- Returning Immigrants to Northern Mexico and Multilingual Contexts

# Borderlands Education Center (BEC) Team



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Thank you! ¡ Gracias!

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