

WELCOME TO OUR

Monthly Newsletter

Bienvenidos!

LMSA Faculty Spotlight

MEET DR. AIXA SOYANO



Dr. Aixa Soyano is a medical oncologist and Assistant Professor in the Department of Breast Oncology at H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and at the University of South Florida, Morsani College of Medicine. She is originally from Venezuela and received her MD degree from the Luis Razetti School of Medicine at Universidad Central de Venezuela in 2008. She moved to the USA in 2012 and completed an Internal Medicine Residency at Steward Saint Elizabeth's Medical Center in Boston, Massachusetts. Dr. Soyano subsequently completed a Hematology Oncology Fellowship at Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, Florida in August 2018. She then joined Moffitt Cancer Center to focus on breast cancer treatment and research.

Dr. Soyano is interested in the multidisciplinary care of patients with breast cancer of different age groups, ethnicities, stages and subtypes. Her research interest is in the future of oncology related to personalized medicine. She's also a board member of the Spanish Cancer support group LUNA (Latinos Unidos por un Nuevo Amanecer). As a Hispanic herself, she's passionate about bringing the state of the art care and education to the Hispanic underrepresented minorities.



Faculty Mentors

Find out more about the faculty supporting LMSA @ MCOM. On our Teams page, students can refer to our current list of Latino faculty to contact for support in the areas of shadowing, research, and career advising. We are always looking to add to this growing list to include specialties that are not yet represented. If any of you have contacts in any field that LMSA students could contact to add to our faculty mentor list, please email their name and email to elianaburgos@usf.edu.

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ELIANA BURGOS (MS2)



GABI PINERO-CRESPO (MS3)



MAYSIE CALZON (MS3)



Eliana Burgos (MS2) "This summer, I have been back home in San Juan, Puerto Rico, doing research at El Centro Comprensivo de Cáncer de la Universidad de Puerto Rico. I have been a part of the team working on the IMPROVE Study (NIH Grant R01CA282424-01), under the supervision of Dra. Ana Patricia Ortiz. The objective of the study is to evaluate the effectiveness of different interventions for the prevention of cervical cancer in Puerto Rico. I have been assisting with chart reviews and data extraction, and have been having the best summer ever!"

Gabi Pinero-Crespo (MS3) "I started 3rd year clerkships and presented a poster at the Florida Academy of Dermatology conference!"

Maysie Calzon (MS3) "I have been rotating on the psychiatry services at the JAHVA. For fun, before school started I went on a cruise with my sister and visited my friend at Law School in Nashville" and also says to "Enjoy your time off during step dedicated! Also have fun during 3rd year, so far it's been a blast!"



Ask a LMSA M2 or Faculty Member

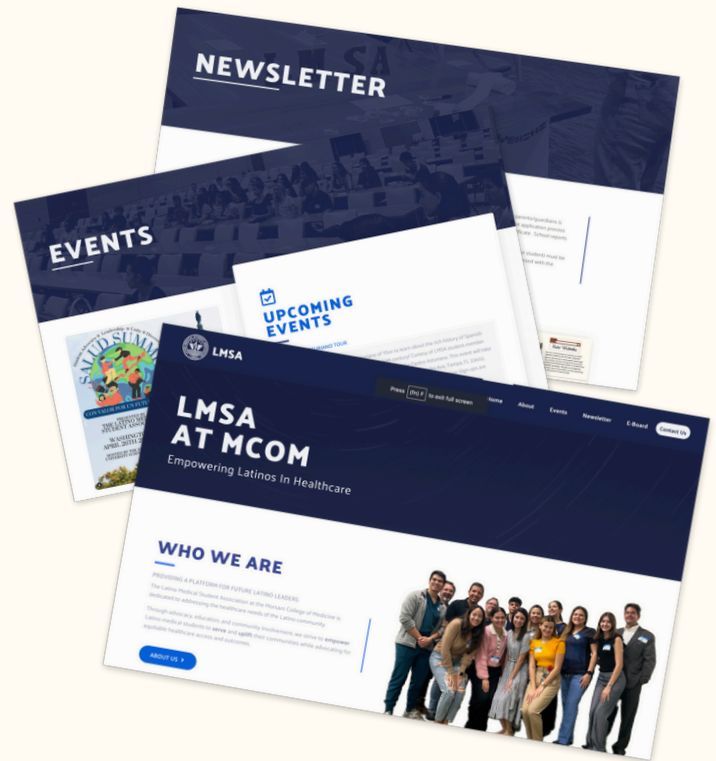
We are excited to introduce a new interactive column in the LMSA newsletter at Morsani College of Medicine! This column is dedicated to our M1 students, providing a unique opportunity to ask questions to experienced LMSA M2 or M3 members, or even our esteemed LMSA faculty members. Whether you seek guidance on navigating medical school as a Latino student or need general advice, this column is here to support you. Simply fill out the provided Google form with your question, and look forward to seeing the answers in the next newsletter. We hope this initiative fosters a supportive community and enhances your medical school journey.

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Change in Communication

This year, we are excited to introduce several new communication changes to enhance our efficiency and connectivity.

- We are transitioning away from Teams, so it will no longer be used for communication or to hold resources.
- Instead, we are thrilled to announce that our new website is now live at [USF LMSA Website](#), where you can find more information and access our resources. Within this website, you will also find a new shared Box ([linked here](#)), where you can directly access all flyers, forms, sign-ups, etc. Shoutout to our PR Chair, Jeremias, for creating this!
- To stay informed about LMSA activities and events, we encourage you to join our email groups. If you are interested in learning more about LMSA, please join the email group that applies to you – either the faculty or student group (also found in the last page of this newsletter). These email groups will be utilized for calendar invitations and mass communication.
 - [Faculty email group](#)
 - [Student email group](#)
- Additionally, for our student members, we will use GroupMe for reminders and smaller updates.
 - [Join here](#)
 - Link to join the GroupMe can also be found in the last page of this newsletter.



Upcoming Events



Postres y Pastelitos – August 29th from 12–1PM

- Bake Sale at MDD Lobby!
- All proceeds help us fundraise for events, conferences, and service initiatives! Email elianaburgos@usf.edu if you are interested in donating a treat!

Student Organization Tabling Fair

- Come on out to support LMSA at the Student Organization Fair on September 11th from 5–7 PM at MDD Auditorium.

LMSA Membership Dinner – September 18th from 6–7 PM at MDD 435

- This will be a great meeting place to learn all things LMSA for the 2024–2025 year and how to be involved! If you would like to learn more about how to be involved with LMSA, we hope to see you there. Dinner will be provided. Faculty, students, and resident are welcome to attend. RSVP using the link so we make sure to have enough food for this incredible night!

• [RSVP Here](#)

LMSA Nationals – September 20–22nd

- Email elianaburgos@usf.edu by August 7th at 11:59 PM if you are interested in attending. More information can be found below.
- Interest meeting to discuss funding, travel, and logistics will be held over Teams on August 1st at 7 PM. [Here](#) is the link to join.
- If you are interested in donating to help offset LMSA student's travel costs, please refer to the "Donations and Contributions" tab at the bottom of this newsletter.



Updates from LMSA Nationals

LMSA National Conference

- LMSA Nationals is proud to present the 2nd Annual LMSA SALUD Summit, hostelf you are interested in attending LMSA National Conference, please reach out to Eliana Burgos at elianaburgos@usf.edu as she is currently inquiring about travel funding for those interested. Please reach out to her by August 7th at 11:59PM the latest. Interest meeting to discuss funding, travel, and logistics will be held over Teams on August 1st at 7 PM (click [here](#) for link to join). Details about the National Conference can be found below, as well as in the flyer.
- Make sure to save the date for our upcoming National Conference in Los Angeles, California, September 20-22, 2024. Our theme this year, "**Caminos Únicos, Corazones Unidos: Building our Legacy in Medicine**," is designed to expose students from diverse backgrounds to unique career paths that will allow them to create their own legacy in medicine. We hope to see you all there!
 - **Hotel Discount:** LMSA has secured a discount with The Westin Bonaventure Hotel & Suites, Los Angeles for attendees and exhibitors to receive discounted rates! [Here](#) is the link to book with the discount (can also be found on the LMSA website).
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LMSA Surgical Section

- The **LMSA Surgical Section** is now accepting new members for the 2024-2025 academic year. Consider applying if you are a medical student, a resident, or an attending physician pursuing a career in general surgery. This section is designed to promote professional development and facilitate career advancement of underrepresented students and surgeons. There are opportunities for collaboration, networking, mentorship, research, leadership, and service! Please click here to apply! Questions? Please email: surgery.specialtysection@lmsa.net
- The **LMSA Surgery Section** is currently accepting new entries for our Surgery Research Database. This database is designed to connect underrepresented students, postdoctorates and resident physicians with research opportunities in general surgery and associated subspecialties. All research opportunities are welcome. Please fill out the form below or use the link-in-bio to submit an opportunity. Submissions on behalf of a mentor, institution or organization are encouraged! Please click here to submit an opportunity

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Join LMSA Leadership

- Applications are currently being accepted for the LMSA Specialty Medical Student Leader and the Mentorship Committee. **Deadline to apply is Aug 2nd 11:59 PM PST.** Check out flyers below for more info.
- If you are a resident or faculty, you are still eligible to provide feedback. Click below to provide your experience and advice. Due April 20th. Specifically information on Diversity in Residency, Supplemental Offer and Application Program (SOAP), Military Match, Specialty Training, and Residency Culture is needed.



LMSA SE and Northwestern Mutual Charlotte Webinar: Financial Wellness

- LMSA Southeast and Northwestern Mutual Charlotte Presents: "**How to Manage and Invest Your Money as a Medical Student/Resident**" with financial planners Brendon Smith and Andrew Pavlov. Join us on **Thursday August 8th, 2024 at 7pm EST via zoom!**
 - If you or a friend are planning on joining us for this event, go ahead and start thinking about your current financial situation and a possible budget. We would greatly enjoy making this event as interactive as possible!
 - If you have certain questions you want answered, please fill out this Google Form: <https://forms.gle/8DQ6pzaRRBCi3G5NA>. If you have any questions about the event specifically, please email director.southeast@lmsa.net. We hope to see you there

[ZOOM LINK](#)



Easy "Recetas"

This LMSA recipe book has "edit" access, so feel free to add a recipe that is near and dear to your heart!

[CLICK FOR FULL RECIPES](#)



Volunteering

At LMSA we are all about giving back! Click below to find the latest opportunities.

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Upcoming Events

Coming Soon: Postres y Pastelitos:
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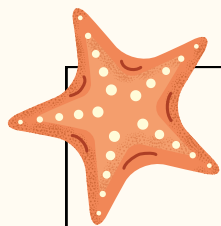
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Click the links below to join LMSA at the University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine. We are so excited for you to join us!

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