

WELCOME TO OUR  
**Monthly Newsletter**  
*Bienvenidos!*

## LMSA Faculty Spotlight

### MEET DR. TERESA BAKER



Dr. Teresa Baker is currently an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry. Dr. Baker obtained a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of California, Los Angeles. As an undergraduate student, she volunteered for 3 years at Clínica Romero, a free clinic in Los Angeles which provides health services to low income individuals. There she learned the positive impact a physician makes in people's lives. This further fueled her desire to pursue a medical career. After completing the post-bac program, MEDPREP, at Southern Illinois University, she completed her medical degree there in 2010. Her psychiatry residency training was at the University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine. For the past 8 years, Dr. Baker has been serving the Tampa community treating various psychiatric conditions. Her main interests include the treatment of mood and anxiety disorders. As a bilingual provider, a significant portion of her patient population is Spanish speaking. She has been the recipient of the Patient Experience Award for the last 2 years in a row. In the clinical setting, she enjoys being a mentor and teacher to undergraduate students, medical students and psychiatry residents. Dr. Baker is a member of a few academic medical school committees. She also serves as a coach for medical students in the SELECT program. In addition, she supervises medical students in the Bridge Clinic, a student-run free clinic located at USF that serves uninsured adults from underserved communities. She is passionate about delivering quality psychiatric care and mentoring the next generation of doctors. The advice she would give medical students is "Be true to your core values and invest time and energy in your professional relationships, which will allow you to have guidance and support as you embark on this medical career journey."

## 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 [gpinerocrespo@usf.edu](mailto:gpinerocrespo@usf.edu).

Mentor-mentee pairs for the LMSA Mentor Match Program have been announced via email, thank you to everyone who participated! We have successfully matched 10 students with mentors in the areas of Family Medicine, Anesthesiology, OBGYN, Oncology, Radiology, Neurology, Psychiatry, and Orthopedic Surgery! Students, we ask that you reach out to your mentors if you have not already. The **Mentor Match Event on Wednesday February 7th has been cancelled due to not enough people being able to come in person. Please set up a time for a virtual or in person meet up at your own convenience.**

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# LMSA E-Board Applications Are Out!



Students, please apply to be the next leaders of our LMSA chapter! Your strong leadership is needed to maintain this collaborative community between Latino medical students, residents, and faculty that has grown extensively in just the past year.

Applications are due on Friday February 9th. We hope to announce the new E-board in mid-February and complete the transition of the E-board by the end of February. Please fill out this google form to apply!

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## LMSA SALUD Policy Summit

LMSA Nationals is proud to present the 2nd Annual LMSA SALUD Summit, hosted by the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in **Washington, D.C. from April 26-29, 2024**. This weekend is set to amplify diverse voices under the theme "Con Valor Por un Futuro Mejor" (With Courage For a Better Future).

SALUD aims to unite students to respond to the most recent policy changes that impact our communities and patients. For many of us, these developments have sparked fear, unease, and a desire to learn what we can do next to contribute to equity and improved health outcomes. Attending the SALUD Summit will provide students with hands-on training that facilitates their contributions to effective change at political, academic, institutional, and personal levels.

Early bird tickets are now open. **Abstracts** in the areas of Clinical/Translational Science, Medical Education, Public Health/ Community Outreach, and Policy are **due on March 1st**. Join us for a vibrant weekend featuring keynote speakers, workshops, networking opportunities, a visit to Capitol Hill, and a research symposium. For more information check out the website.

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## LMSA Southeast Conference

Our chapter is proudly sending a group of 6 students to the 15th Annual LMSA Southeast Regional Conference, themed Estetoscopio Latino, Corazón que Escucha, will take place in Charleston, South Carolina on February 23-24, 2024. This will be a great opportunity for students to present research, network with other LMSA members, and listen to motivating speakers. We encourage you to explore available opportunities on the LMSA national website <https://national.lmsa.net/>, and follow them on Instagram [@lmsanational](#), as well as the Southeast regional board [@lmsa\\_southeast](#).

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## Easy "Recetas"

**Added This Month:** Curry de Bacalao y Torta de Milhojas

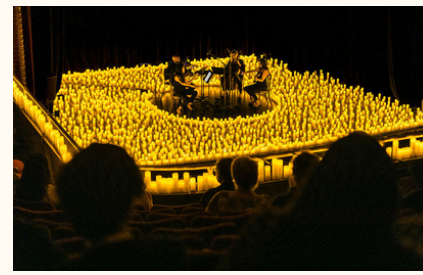
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## Volunteering

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

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## Upcoming Events

**Coming Soon:** Centro Asturiano Tour on February 10 from 10 AM - 12 PM

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# Contact Our E-Board



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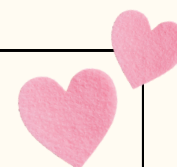


## DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

We are pleased to announce that LMSA @ MCOM has received interim funding from student government for the remainder of this academic year. We thank everyone that has supported our chapter with their generous donations. We are no longer asking for donations for future events, but if you wish to learn more about supporting our chapter you can do so by clicking the following link.

[DONATION INFORMATION](#)

# Join Our "Grupito"



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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