

## **Dr. Kimberlee Messina**

Dr. Kimberlee S. Messina is a passionate and committed Community College educator who has been serving as President of Spokane Falls Community College in the state of Washington since June 2019. Prior to this appointment she worked in the California Community College system for 26 years. Dr. Messina spent 10 years as a tenured faculty member at Santa Rosa Junior College where she infused equity and innovation in her Spanish curriculum. During that time, she served two terms as the Academic Senate President before being appointed as the Dean of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. As Dean, she worked closely with college personnel, local industry and non-profits to increase access and success for underrepresented students.

Dr. Messina joined Foothill College as the Vice President of Instruction and Institutional Research in May of 2011. She also served as the Interim President of the college for the 2015-2016 academic year. Dr. Messina has extensive experience in Guided Pathways, curriculum, equity infused pedagogy, strategic planning, and accreditation. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and a Master of Arts in Spanish from California State University, Sacramento and earned her Ed.D. in Educational Leadership at the University of California, Davis.

Dr. Messina is an active participant in statewide organizations and policy groups in the state of Washington and served on the Board of the Association of California Community College Administrators and the Advisory committee for the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office Institutional Effectiveness Partnership Initiative, as well as seven accreditation site visits.

Mount San Antonio College's vision, mission and values are in alignment with her own, and she is enthusiastic about the opportunity to join MT. SAC as its next president to continue the great work they are doing with student equity and success.