



Yescenia González

My name is Yescenia González, I am 20 years old. I am a sophomore at NMSU majoring in Accounting and Finance. I was born in Phoenix Az., but all my family is from Chihuahua, Mexico. I am the eldest of three children; I have a sister and a brother. I lived with my parents until I was eleven years old, then they decided to send me to the United States to get a better education.

In 2001, I came to the United States and lived with one of my aunts in Phoenix. At the beginning it was really hard for me, having to learn English and adapt to a different life style. When I arrived I didn't speak a word of English, but my aunt decided to place me in regular English classes and not in the bilingual ones, for which I am very thankful because I learned English faster.

In 2003 I moved out to El Centro, California, a little town near to Mexicali. I lived with another aunt for six months and then I came here to Las Cruces. By that time I was thirteen years old and fluent in English. When I came here to Las Cruces, I went to Lynn Middle school. I was in the top ten percent of students with the best grades in all middle schools in Las Cruces.

In 2004 I attended Las Cruces High School. I have the most wonderful memories of my high school career. All four years in high school I was on the Honor Roll. During these years I decided to join different clubs, and challenged myself by being either the president or the secretary of various clubs. During my junior year in high school I started taking college classes in the Dual-Credit program. Then during my senior year I decided to prepare for college and started to receive many scholarships. I also was nominated and recognized as the Outstanding Bilingual Senior of the year at Las Cruces High School.

In 2008, I graduated from Las Cruces High School with honors. After high school I enrolled at NMSU, was recognized as a Crimson Scholar and am pursuing a career in Accounting and Finance. After earning my Bachelor's degree I would like to obtain my Master's in Accounting, and then become a Certified Public Accountant.

I am currently a full-time student. In addition I opened a little business at the Flea Market since one of my dreams is to open my own business. I work at my business during the weekends and really enjoy it. My life, family, and education are the most important things I have in life. I have many goals that I am planning to achieve in the future. I could say that I can picture myself in ten years from now, with my own family, with my education finished, and with my own business.