## Hispanic Heritage Month

Spotlight on Destiny J. Brito (Admissions)



My name is Destiny Brito, and my story is deeply rooted in my Hispanic heritage. My mom hails from San Juan, Puerto Rico, while my dad comes from Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Growing up, my parents and grandparents embraced their rich cultural backgrounds and made sure that my siblings and I understood and cherished our roots.

From a young age, I developed a love for playing basketball, going on hikes, and engaging in any outdoor activities. These passions have been a constant source of joy and balance in my life. Beyond my personal interests, I am deeply committed to working with students. As a firstgeneration college student, I take great pride in sharing my experiences and supporting others on their educational journeys.

I earned my Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from SUNY Alfred State College of Technology, and continued my academic pursuit with a Master's Degree in Higher Education Administration from SUNY Stony Brook University. My career in higher education began during my senior year of college when I took an internship in the admissions office. This opportunity quickly led to a full-time position, and I have been dedicated to this field ever since, with eight years of experience to date. I have been part of the MCC community for the past 2.5 years.

Born and raised in New York City (Manhattan), I moved upstate to Alfred, a small town, to complete my undergraduate degree. When a new opportunity arose, I relocated to Rochester, NY, where I have lived for the past three years. Each place I've lived has shaped me in profound ways, broadening my understanding of different cultures, demographics, and communities. These experiences have enriched my perspective and fueled my passion for working in higher education. Thank you all for taking an interest in my story. I truly appreciate the opportunity to share a bit about my background and experiences with you.