

# Book Presentation

## Re-envisioning Family Engagement and Literacy in Early Childhood Classrooms: “Porque así ya conocemos”

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Gambrell Hall

Room 429



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Families are resources that are extremely powerful and important for young learners from minoritized backgrounds, yet they are often overlooked, silenced, or ostracized. Framed around Yosso’s theory of Community Cultural Wealth (CCW), this work answers the call for scholars to collaborate with practitioners to showcase the importance of using CCW as an approach to facilitate learning in various PK-20 contexts. Through their work, they challenge the low expectations some have of minoritized families and shift to an asset-based lens where families are viewed as cultural experts and active contributors to their child’s education. In this presentation, Professor López-Robertson will discuss the theoretical framework (CCW), provide examples of engagements with families, and share strategies for implementing culturally responsive classroom practices to create positive home-school partnerships.



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