

University of San Diego

Digital USD

Digital Initiatives Symposium

Apr 30th, 1:20 PM - 2:05 PM

Building a Community Learning Laboratory Through Digital Initiatives

Sonia Chaidez

Whittier College, schaidez@whittier.edu

Stephanie Carmona

Whittier College, scarmona@whittier.edu

Follow this and additional works at: <https://digital.sandiego.edu/symposium>



Part of the [Adult and Continuing Education Commons](#), [Bilingual, Multilingual, and Multicultural Education Commons](#), and the [Instructional Media Design Commons](#)

Chaidez, Sonia and Carmona, Stephanie, "Building a Community Learning Laboratory Through Digital Initiatives" (2019). *Digital Initiatives Symposium*. 22.

<https://digital.sandiego.edu/symposium/2019/2019/22>

This 45-minute concurrent session is brought to you for free and open access by Digital USD. It has been accepted for inclusion in Digital Initiatives Symposium by an authorized administrator of Digital USD. For more information, please contact digital@sandiego.edu.

Building a Community Learning Laboratory Through Digital Initiatives

Presenter 1 Title

Instructional Media Designer

Presenter 2 Title

Program Manager for the Community Education Program Initiative

Session Type

45-minute concurrent session

Abstract

How can digital initiatives help to build a community of life-long learners? It begins with creative collaboration. We developed a partnership between the College Library and the Education Department to launch a learning laboratory that partners adult learners from our neighboring community with our undergraduate students to create authentic learning experiences centered on building digital literacy skills. From photo archives to digital storytelling to creating digital maps- this partnership is helping to build and contribute to digital platforms for the populations that will use them to continue the cycle of life-long teaching and learning. This process also helps to give our learning community a set of transferable skills, confidence, and the experience of working with diverse learners. This presentation will give insight on how to build partnerships using digital initiatives to create opportunities that lead to new methods of teaching, learning, and digital collaborations.

Location

KIPJ Theatre

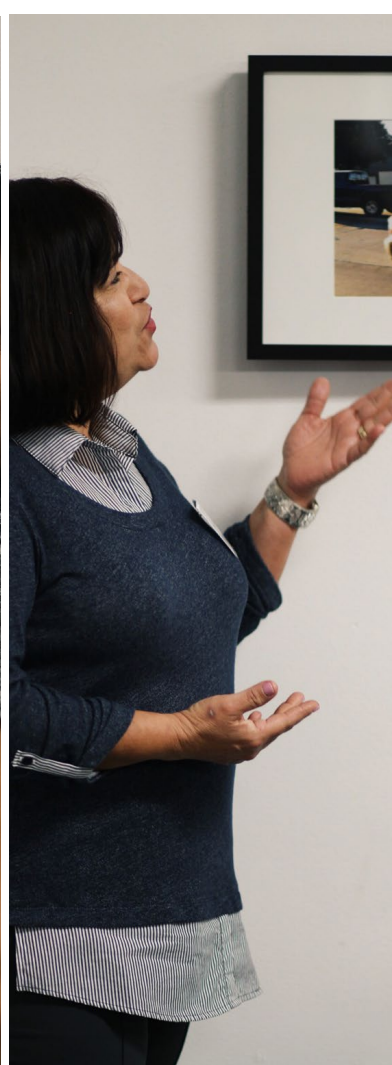
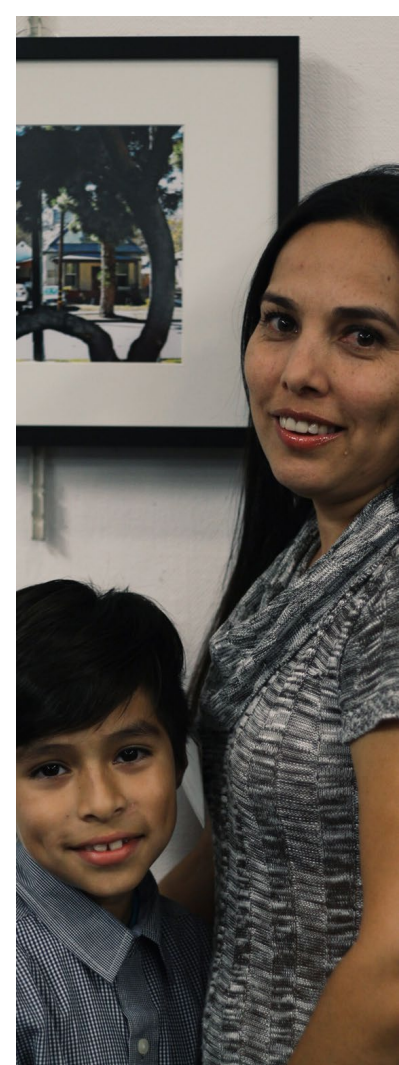
Keywords

digital literacy, community, advocacy, experiential learning, partnership, project-based learning, preservation

Creative Commons License



This work is licensed under a [Creative Commons Attribution-Share Alike 4.0 License](https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/4.0/).



Building a Community Learning Laboratory Through Digital Initiatives

Stephanie Carmona

Community Education Program
Initiative (CEPI)

Sonia Chaidez

Instructional Technologist

Whittier College • Whittier, CA

Martha Martin del Campo



Agenda

- Campus collaborations & partnerships
- Building an undergraduate experience with digital initiatives (and digital literacy)
- Easy to use tools & platforms to create digital projects for diverse learners

Digital Initiatives Symposium, University of San Diego
April 30, 2019



The Partnership

Who we are



“The future of libraries is a combination of a people’s university, a community hub, and an information base happily partnered with the Internet rather than in competition with it...the library should offer classes in voter registration, literacy programs, story times, speaker series, homeless outreach, business services, computer access, movie rentals, e-book loans, a nice gift shop, also books.”

John Szabo, City

Librarian of Los Angeles



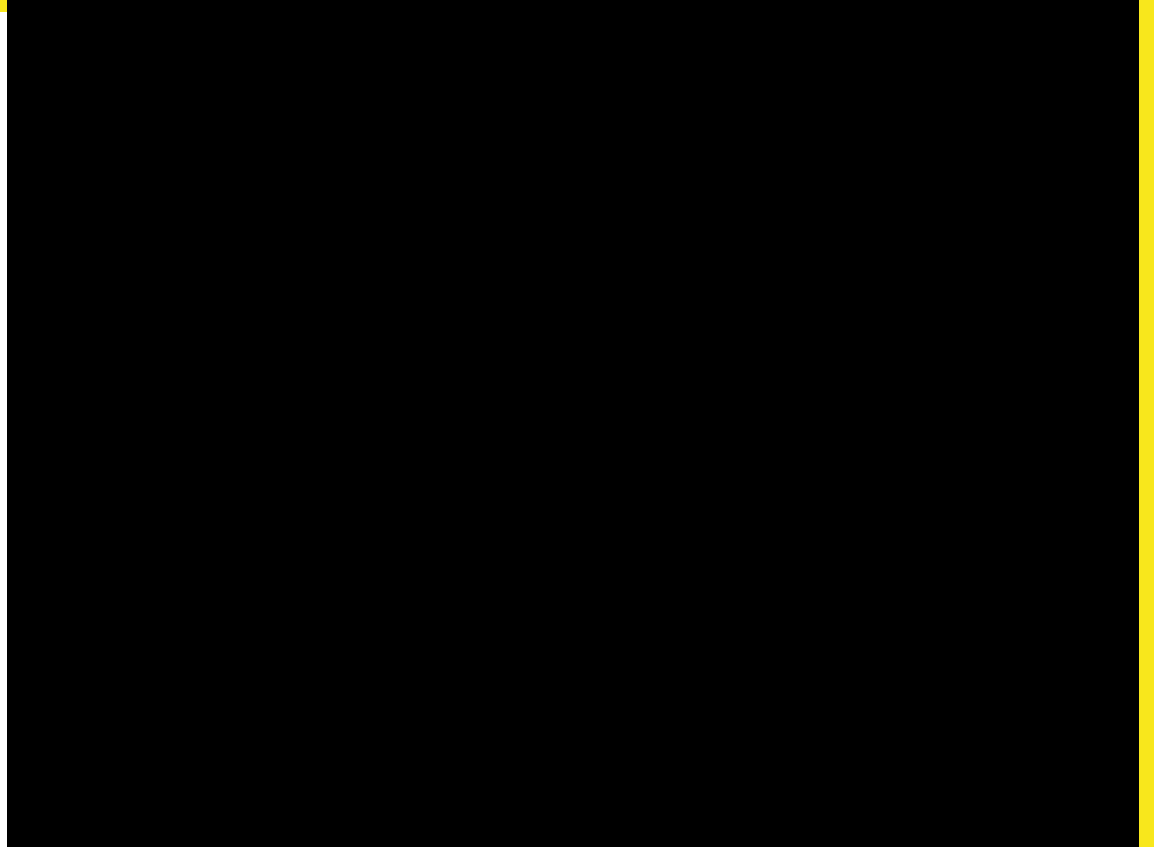
The Learning Laboratory Model

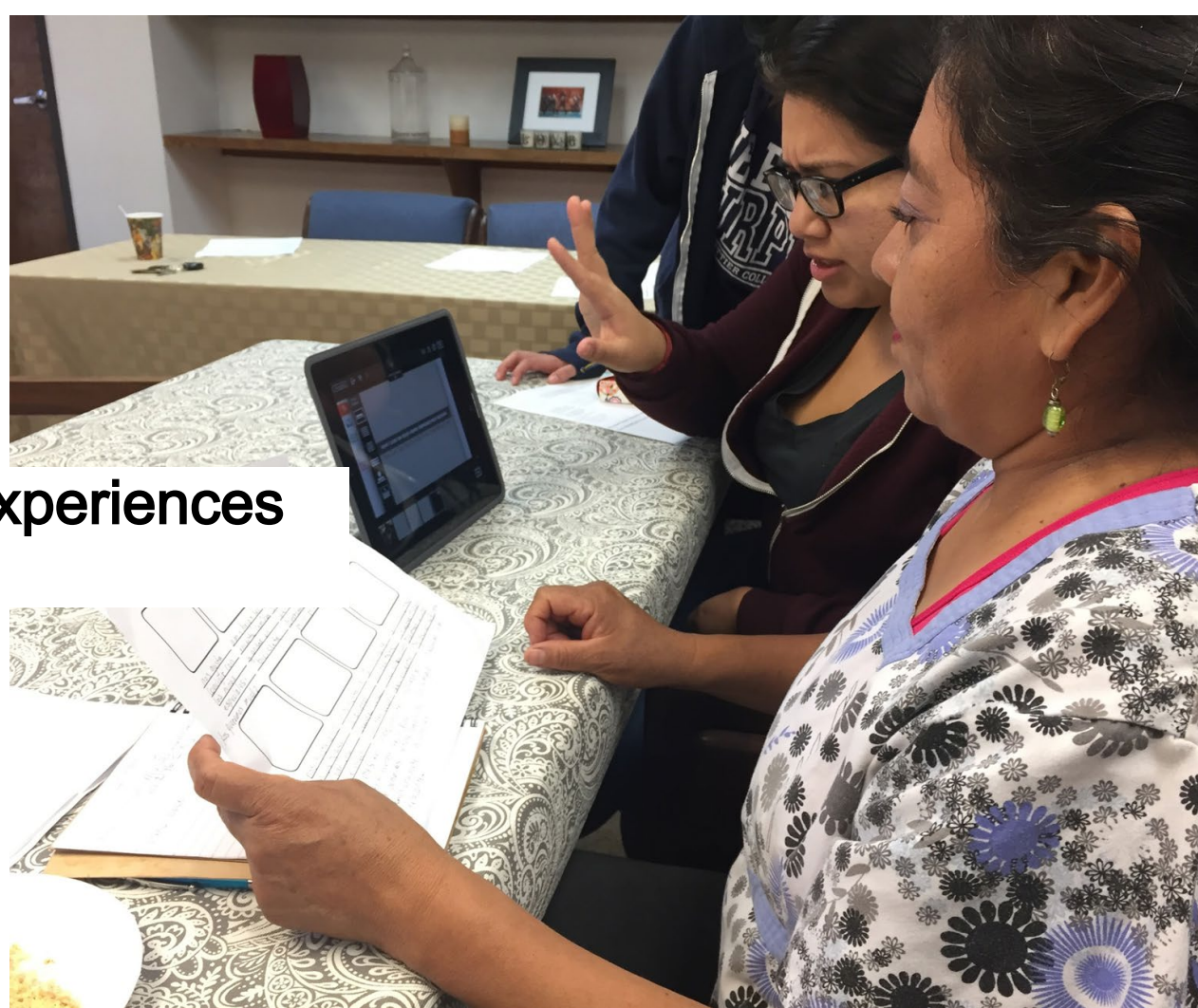




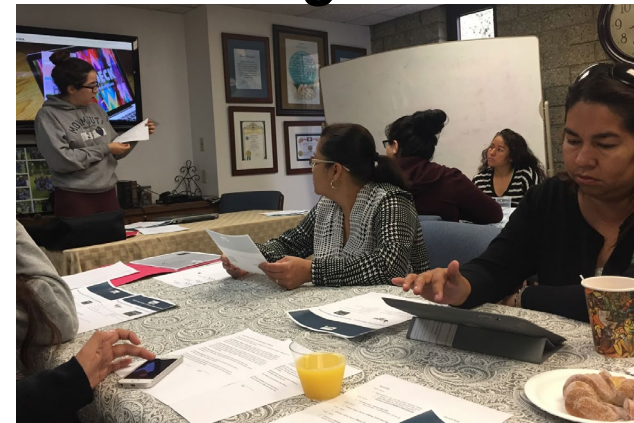
The “Nuestro Arte” Project

Using
PhotoVoice



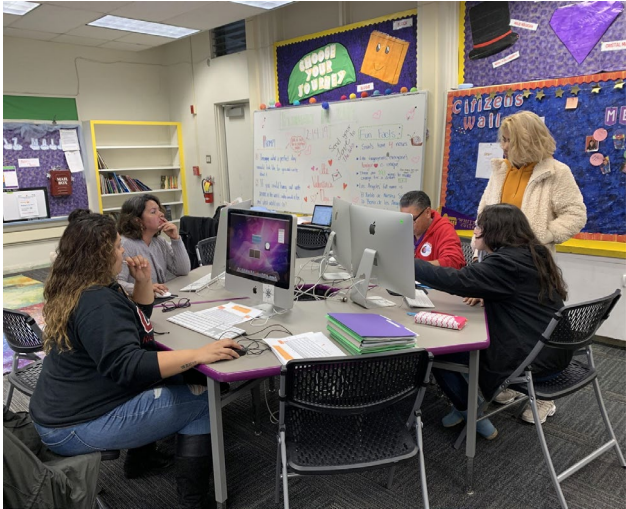


Authentic Learning Experiences for Undergraduates



Undergraduate Learning Opportunities

- Digital Fluency in online environments
- Working with diverse learners
- Student-Teacher Knowledge Transfer
- 5Cs for their resumes: critical thinking, creativity, communication, collaboration, community



Digital Fluency in Online Environments

Adult Learner Opportunities

- Digital Fluency in online environments
- Skill transfer to school - aged children
- Parents of first generation college students
- General Education Diplomas (GED)
- Jobs and entering the workforce



Skill Transfer to Sc-Age Children

Alma's Digital Story on



Next Steps

- Migration Narratives on StoryMaps
- Digital Stories
- “How - To” born digital book on community learning & creative media making

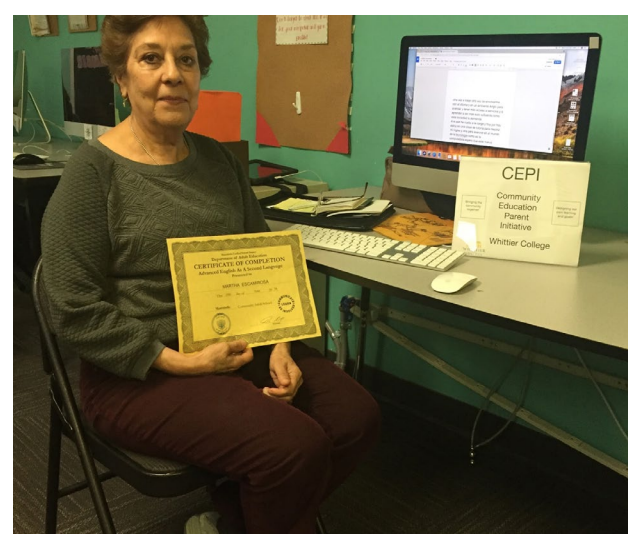




Tools & Resources to Get Started

- Digital Storytelling Guidebook
 - bit.ly/DSEGuidebook
- StoryMaps
 - bit.ly/NAStorymap
 - PhotoVoice.org
- Podcast
 - bit.ly/corazonpodcast
 - Soundcloud, Anchor.fm

Skills for Life - Long Learning



CONTACTS



Stephanie Carmona

scarmona@whittier.edu

Sonia Chaidez

schaidez@whittier.edu

[@soniachaidez](#)

Link to presentation: bit.ly/whittierDIS