

Dr. Max Montesino

February 10, 1956 – December 5, 2022

Max Montesino, a beloved faculty member in the Organizational Leadership department for the past 27 years, passed away unexpectedly on December 5, 2022. He was planning on retiring from PFW on December 31, 2022. Born in the Dominican Republic, Max immigrated to the United States and earned his doctorate in Education from Western Michigan University in 1995. He authored two books, “Before Anything ... After Everything”, a collection of short stories and “Portrait of the Dominican in the Organization”, an analysis of organizational behavior in the Dominican Republic. Max also served as Graduate Programs Director for the OL Master’s program and enjoyed volunteering and mentoring students and faculty. He was active in the Hispanic Leadership Coalition of Northeast Indiana, having been a founding member and past President, as well as many other important causes that impact the Latino community of greater Fort Wayne. He often spoke to the media about immigration issues and enjoyed discussing American politics. He proudly became an American citizen in 2016.

Students will remember Dr. Montesino for his courses in gender and diversity, organizational culture, and human resource development, among others. Colleagues will remember him for his kindness, collegiality, and quick wit. Max had such a positive impact on the OL Department, our students, and the PFW campus. He will forever hold a special place in our hearts.

Max is survived by his wife Mercedes and children Max Jr. and Paola.