Soraya Zepeda

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EDUCATION

University of California, Davis
B.A. Sociology: *Law & Society*
B.S. Community & Regional Development: *Policy, Planning, and Public Service*

WORK EXPERIENCE

Play-Well TEKnologies — *Teacher Assistant in Davis, CA (June 2026 - August 2026)*
Assisted Lead Teacher in curriculum development and classroom management

Early Childhood Laboratory — *Classroom & Program Assistant in Davis, CA (March 2025 - June 2026)*
Ensured the classroom environment was fully prepared and conducive for optimal learning experiences and assisted Lead Teacher in curriculum development and management

Supportive Partnerships and Active Recreation for Kids (S.P.A.R.K.) — *Site-Aide in Davis, CA (August 2024 - July 2025)*
Assisted children with planned educational and recreational activities in an after school program and provided academic support and guidance alongside the Site Director

Point Lobos State Natural Reserve — *Summer Adventures Camp Counselor in Carmel, CA (June 2024 - July 2024)*
Led students in outdoor adventures (hiking, tide pooling, kayaking, rock climbing, etc.) and conducted daily lessons surrounding environmental studies and protection of habitats

Davis Kids Klub: Patwin Elementary — *Site Co-Director in Davis, CA (January 2024 - June 2024)*
Promoted respectful relationships in an afterschool program and supported academic, social, and emotional growth among children

PROJECTS & AWARDS

UC Davis Dean's Honors List — *Spring 2024, Fall, 2025, Winter 2026, Spring 2026*

Human Ecology Department Citation Award Recipient — *College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences at UC Davis (June 2026)*

Graduating seniors who display academic and extracurricular excellence are elected every year to receive a department citation award. Decisions are based on academics, class and campus participation, and community service

Davis Community Design Charrette — *CRD 149: Environmental Justice and Community Development (April 2026 - June 2026)*

Hosted Community Design Charrette where Davis residents, policymakers, and students were invited to share their visions for environmental injustice in Davis neighborhoods

Young Voices of Monterey Bay, Salinas — *Teen Journalist (July 2020)*

Published articles on contemporary social issues within Monterey County and conducted a variety of interviews with Salinas residents, local council members, and community leaders to provide diverse community perspectives