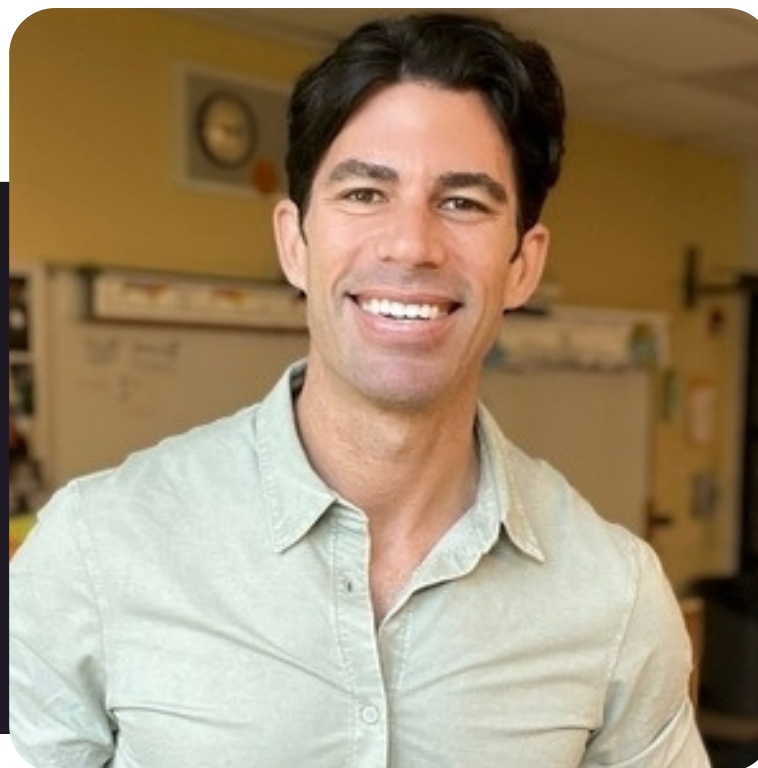




## **Dr. Pedro Noguera**

Pedro A. Noguera is the Emery Stoops and Joyce King Stoops Dean of the University of Southern California's Rossier School of Education. Dr. Noguera, a researcher, author and practitioner, focuses his work on the ways in which schools are influenced by social and economic conditions, as well as by demographic trends in local, regional and global contexts.

Dr. Noguera was recently appointed to serve as a special advisor to the governor of New Mexico on education policy. He also advises the state departments of education in Washington, Oregon and Nevada. From 2009–2012 he served as a trustee for the State University of New York as an appointee of the governor. In 2014 he was elected to the National Academy of Education and Phi Delta Kappa honor society, and in 2020 Noguera was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Dr. Noguera has received seven honorary doctorates from American universities, and he recently received awards from the Center for the Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford University, from the National Association of Secondary School Principals and from the McSilver Institute for Poverty Policy and Research at NYU for his research and advocacy efforts aimed at fighting poverty.



## Nicholas Ferroni

Nicholas Ferroni is a nationally recognized high school teacher and social activist who educates, mentors and inspires students to reach their goals while driving a national dialogue about education.

Nick was named "Upstander of the Year" by the HRC (Human Rights Campaign) was noted as one of the "100 Making a Difference," one of the "Most Influential Educators In America," and honored by The Foundation on Gender Equality, the American Conference on Diversity and the United Nations Women's Division. He is a featured guest on various media platforms including ABC's 'The View,' MSNBC, The TODAYShow, and more. Nick has also been featured in USA Today for his advocacy and work for teachers, focusing on his "No Summers Off" campaign, where he featured teachers in every state and shared what they do over the summer and to expose the myth that teachers have summers off.

Ferroni has become renowned for employing innovative and unique approaches to teaching his students. His social experiment on the importance of gender equality in politics went viral, garnering the attention of news outlets and television programs nationwide. The View's Whoopi Goldberg called it "The best social experiment ever."

Nick has dedicated his time and his platform to not only celebrate educators, but fight to increase the pay, support and resources that teachers receive. He is a part of the Teacher Salary Project team that introduced the "American Teacher Act" in Congress.