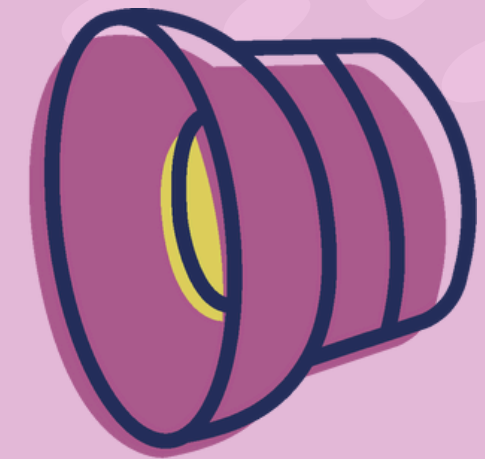




THE LEADERS SPOTLIGHT



Let's Get To Know Me →



Isabella Zambrano



TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF

Hi! I'm Isabella Zambrano, a 12th grade student at Colegio Marymount. I am passionate about tennis, investing, fashion & politics, and a strong believer in the transformative power of personalized education.



TELL US ABOUT THE LEADERSHIP ROLE YOU HOLD, A COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE.

As the founder and CEO of Casa Inglar, I've trained a group of tutors to teach Colegio Sister Johanna's students, focusing on planning events, and leading tutoring sessions. Throughout this journey, I've also had the privilege of tutoring! Last year, I gave lessons to an 8-year-old student from Colegio Sister Johanna named Ivanna, applying her love for koalas to teach her English in an enjoyable way. Her transition from a discouraged student to a passionate learner demonstrates the power of 1-to-1 learning!



WHAT IS YOUR RECENT ACHIEVEMENT THAT MAKES YOU PROUD OF YOURSELF?

A recent achievement I'm proud of is participating in The Wharton School's 'Leadership in the Business World' program, where my team won a three-week case study competition out of 120 students.



HOW HAS MARYMOUNT INFLUENCED YOUR PERSONAL AND/OR PROFESSIONAL LIFE?

Marymount's focus on forming entrepreneurial leaders has cultivated an action-based mentality, encouraging me to constantly implement the knowledge I gain to make a positive contribution to my community. Additionally, the support of the school board was foundational in helping me start Casa Inglar.



**DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING
ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO
SHARE?**

**I'm passionate about blending my creativity
with a practical, business-like mindset.**



WHAT DOES YOUR BUSINESS DO?

Casa Inglar Nonprofit Organization provides 1-to-1 tutoring to underserved students, making personalized learning accessible. Through Casa Inglar, high school tutors learn about who each student is through 1-to-1 mentorship to craft lessons, turning their unique qualities, interests and skills into assets that guide their learning.



WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO START THIS VENTURE?

Former teacher at Colegio Sister Johanna and my childhood tutor, Leyda Smith, was one of my sources of inspiration for starting this organization. Due to her personalized lessons growing up, I viewed education as an enjoyable experience. And as I came back from studying abroad, I realized the power of learning a second-language, specifically English. As Mrs. Leyda told me about the struggles of students at Colegio Sister Johanna to learn the language due to large class sizes, I developed a mission: making personalized tutoring accessible to transform educational journeys into meaningful experiences.

HOW HAS YOUR BUSINESS IMPACTED YOUR LIFE?

Leading Casa Inglar has given me a personal connection to the issue of educational disparities, and I've learned that targeting the root causes of societal issues such as crime through education is critical. Through Casa Inglar, I've also developed a passion for public service, and giving back to my country.



WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR BIGGEST CHALLENGE AND YOUR GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT SO FAR?

Our biggest challenge has been learning how to coordinate efforts between different parties to drive sustainable expansion. Our biggest achievement has been expanding our tutor-base, which will allow us to serve more students this year!



WHAT ARE YOUR FUTURE PLANS FOR YOUR BUSINESS?

I plan to expand Casa Inglar throughout more schools in the local, national and international community as I graduate from Marymount and move on to college.



WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO OTHERS AT MARYMOUNT WHO MIGHT WANT TO START THEIR OWN BUSINESS?

It is easier than you think to not learn from our mistakes; It takes concerted effort to apply the knowledge we gain from them, and doing so can mean the difference between failure and lasting success.



WHAT SKILLS OR VALUES FROM MARYMOUNT HAVE BEEN MOST USEFUL IN RUNNING YOUR BUSINESS?

**Teamwork makes a BIG difference! Only God is good
at working on his own.**

