



# Hispanic Heritage Month

September 15<sup>th</sup> through October 15<sup>th</sup> is Hispanic Heritage Month. Interestingly, Hispanic Heritage Month does not fall into a full calendar month but rather starts on September 15<sup>th</sup>, a day that begins a series of Independence Day celebrations for seven Central and South American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua all received their independence on September 15; Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September 18. The celebration continues for 30 days, an entire month of festivities that honor Hispanic history, traditions, and contributions to world culture. If you would like to learn more about the beginnings and development of Hispanic Heritage Month, [please click on this link](#).

[According to the United States Census](#), people who identify as Hispanic or Latinx make up approximately 18.5% of the U.S. population. ENMU-Roswell is a proud Hispanic Serving Institution, and the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee would like to acknowledge the important role Hispanic heritage plays in our community. Below are a series of great resources for further information celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month and Hispanic culture.

[Click here to access the official National Hispanic Heritage Month website. This a collaborative website through many federal programs, including the Smithsonian, National Parks Service, and the Library of Congress.](#)

[Click here to access the selected Exhibits and Collections for National Hispanic Heritage Month, as curated by the Library of Congress.](#)

[Click here to access the Annual Digital Releases at the PALABRA Archive at the Library of Congress.](#)

[Click here to access the Hispanic/Latino Heritage resources at the National Archives.](#)

[Click here to access a search for Hispanic resources at DOCS TEACH, a National Archives database of primary sources for use in the classroom.](#)

[Click here to access the National Park Service's celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month.](#)

[Click here to access La Biblioteca, a podcast the Library of Congress that focuses on the cultures of the Hispanic community, Latin America, Portugal, and Spain.](#)

[Click here to access the Latino Center at the Smithsonian. They are currently building the first national Latino gallery at the Smithsonian.](#)

[Click here to access the Library of Congress' Hispanic Veterans History Project.](#)

[Click here to access the National Endowment for the Humanities' "Hispanic and Latino Heritage and History in the United States" resource on their website, EDSITEment.](#)

[Click here to see a collection of resources and websites that celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, as curated by the Library of Congress.](#)