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Jocelyn Tejeda is passionate about inspiring and developing change agents to lead creatively and courageously. She is an educator, trainer, and facilitator and helps people and organizations drive innovation, maximize their human potential, and ignite transformation in their lives and in the world. She has designed and led dozens of trainings, workshops, and initiatives on creative problem solving, diversity and inclusion, leadership development, women's empowerment, and student success. Her energy and commitment to helping others advance and bring their vision to life has allowed her to work with partners like HBO, St. John's University, the International Center for Studies in Creativity, the Design Innovation Garage (DIG), the Women's Business Center at Canisius College, and many others.

A true believer that knowledge is power, she is invested in guiding people through their journey while helping them advance personally and professionally. Her experiences as a first-generation Latina student propelled her to become an advocate for social justice, an avid mentor, an innovation catalyst, and a life-long learner. As an advisor and Adjunct Lecturer at SUNY Buffalo State, she supports students from underserved communities to grow, lead, and succeed and leads a first-year summer bridge program to help students successfully transition from high school to college. In addition, Jocelyn collaborates with brilliant creatives to facilitate innovation labs and workshops to accelerate scientific research globally. She holds a graduate certificate and Master of Science in Creativity and Change Leadership from the International Center for Studies in Creativity and a Master of Science in Higher Education from SUNY Buffalo State. She is a certified coach and will soon be launching her consulting and coaching firm, WeThrive Global, LLC.