

Institutional Coordinator Profile: Dr. Vince Lombraña, Professor of Biology at New Mexico State University-Alamogordo (NMSU-A), is Institutional Contact (IC) for New Mexico AMP. Dr. Lombraña has served in the role of mentor for many of our students who have transferred to university and some who have even progressed on to graduate school. Dr. Lombraña earned the B.S. degree in Biology from the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) in 1981, the M.S. degree in Biology from UTEP in 1985, and the Ph.D. in Biology from NMSU in 1992. After earning the Ph.D., he immediately started teaching biology at NMSU-A and has been one of our most dedicated IC's for several years. He and his wife of 16 years have a teenage son, and he enjoys spending family time with them. Dr. Lombraña's dedication to his students and noteworthy service in teaching have been publicly recognized many times in his eighteen years at NMSU-A. He has been the recipient of the NMSU-A Teaching Excellence Award three times and has also received the Regents Professorship Master Teacher Award. Significantly, Dr. Lombraña has been the recipient of the Donald C. Roush Award three times, with his latest Roush award presented to him on Jan 12, 2010 at the Spring Convocation at NMSU-Main. Dr. Lombraña's expertise in his discipline; his unselfish concern for others; and his gentle, humble manner have endeared him to students, faculty, and New Mexico AMP staff alike.