

Gabriela Ramirez-Arellano - Bio



Originally from Guanajuato, Mexico and inspired by her own experience growing up as an immigrant in the United States, Gabriela has a passion and commitment to help others.

Now back in St. Louis, Gabriela finds her voice helping small business owners achieve their dreams as the Executive Director at the Center for Emerging Technologies and Director of Entrepreneurship at CORTEX. Through her podcast, Auténtico, she empowers and showcases bilingual Latinx professionals and small business owners and through her work at the Balsa Foundation, she promotes social equity and prosperity.

Gabriela is also an author, a marathon runner, podcast host and business owner. She and her husband own Don Emilianos in O'Fallon MO and will celebrate their 7th anniversary this year. Gabriela holds a bachelor's degree in Marketing from the University of Missouri - Columbia and an MBA from Lindenwood University. She just graduated from the 2021 Leadership MO class and is most proud of raising amazing children who inspire her to help make the world a better place.