

## **Mariana Souto-Manning**

Mariana Souto-Manning, PhD, became Erikson's fifth President in September 2021. Mariana has served as professor of education at Teachers College, Columbia University and held additional academic appointments at the University of Iceland and King's College London. An Afro-Latina first-generation immigrant, Mariana earned her bachelor's, master's, and PhD at the University of Georgia, after having started her higher education journey at Dekalb Community College.

From a critical perspective, Souto-Manning's research examines inequities and injustices in early childhood teaching and teacher education, (re)centering methodologies and pedagogies on the lives, values, and experiences of intersectionally minoritized people of color. As she problematizes issues of colonization, assimilation, and oppression in schooling and society, she critically examines theoretical and methodological issues and dilemmas of doing research with communities of color. She considers questions such as "critical for whom?" and "according to whom?" as she investigates issues pertaining to equitable teaching and learning, focusing on languaging and literacy practices in pluralistic settings. Souto-Manning regularly collaborates with teachers and engages in community-based research.

Mariana Souto-Manning has published ten books, including the 2016 winner of the American Educational Studies Association Critics' Choice Award, Reading, Writing, and Talk: Inclusive Teaching Strategies for Diverse Learners, K-2 (with Jessica Martell, a New York City public school teacher). In addition to books and book chapters, she has authored and co-authored over 75 peer-reviewed articles in journals such as the Journal of Teacher Education, Research in the Teaching of English, Teaching and Teacher Education, and Teachers College Record. She has received a number of research awards, including the 2011 American Educational Research Association Division K Innovations in Research on Diversity in Teacher Education Award and the 2017 AERA Teaching and Teacher Education (Division K) Mid-Career Award.