

Dejemos la **imaginación** flotar;
todo comienza en un
papel en blanco.



The team of El Ser UHSiano.

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MEET THE TEAM!

Hello, and welcome to El Ser UHSiano first edition! We are a group of students from the Journalism course with Prof. Myrna Gandía. Throughout this academic year we will be doing various newsletters, so stay on the lookout! This first edition is an introduction: meet all the journalists, learn more about them and what they will be working on this year. If you want to learn more, you can also view our latest postings at elseruhsiano.weebly.com. Thank you, and see you soon!





Alexandra Isabel Cardona Flores is a 17-year-old senior with an interest in Computer Science and Engineering. She does scientific research on genomics on Saturdays with the Metropolitan University, San Juan. Apart from that, she is a part of the Tuna Vaquera from the UPR, Bayamon campus. Alexandra

Alexandra Cardona Flores
Science and Technology

has been a part of the English Forensic team since the 9th grade. She is a part of the Science Club and president of the Computer Club at the UHS, as well as a former ballet dancer and violinist. She is currently taking two university courses at the UPR, Rio Piedras campus, and like any other normal teenager, she loves watching Netflix and being a couch potato.



Emilio Concepción
Cordero
UHS Sports

Emilio Concepción Cordero is currently a senior, born on September 20th, 1999 and he is proud to say that is the most important day in history. He is a sports, TV, and music devotee (basically all he does with his life). At school you will most likely see him constantly taking naps, due to all the work he gets. Aside from that, he swims almost everyday and has been for the last 7 years. You have surely also met his 14-year-old "twin" brother who is in the 9th grade. Emilio is also a member of the National Honor Society (NHS), and has been a part of the school's swim team for the last 5 years.

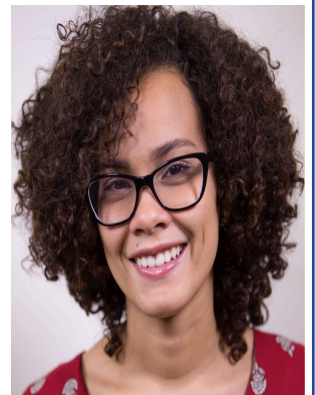


Fernando Claudio González
Inside the Video Game World

you should always be calm and face those obstacles. And when you are facing these problems, just think that certain events are not important for your life. Do not let your emotions control you; you control your own emotions. After all, Life is a game.

His name is Fernando Vidal Claudio González. He considers himself to be a great student, a bright athlete, and a beautiful dreamer. His favorite class is Math and he loves creativity. For these reasons, he wants to be an Architect when he grows up. Football is his life. When he takes the field, he becomes a leader, a team player and an adult. He is unique. What makes him unique is his special ability. He has acquired the gift of controlling his emotions. Inner peace is the key to his success in life. Fernando thinks

Carla N. Martínez Pérez is a senior student with an immense passion for science, specifically research. While in school, she spends her time stressing over academics, chatting with friends and teachers, and taking part of her leadership positions such as being president of the Science Club, vice-



Carla Martínez
Pérez
*Science and
Technology*

president of the United Nations Club and captain of the swimming team. Her hobbies can be summarized into school, baking and living in the outdoors. She loves to swim, hike, and rock climb. She believes that her best feature is her curls and devotes most of her time to them.



Marco García Collazo
UHS in the Scene

According to his horoscope, Marco "Polo" García is a good friend, a hard worker, and his lucky number is 7. He is a senior, so it will not be long before he will be revisiting this, recalling the golden years and subsequently cringing at the thought. He is the secretary of the school's Art Club, plays bass (yes, the "deep" guitar) and has played football since middle school. After graduating, he would either like to study to become an engineer or star in a Disney Channel movie, whichever job offer comes first. If you want to have a good time, there are probably better things to do, like go to the movies or something, but Marco is not half-bad either.



Paola López Rivera
Comic Sense

Paola A. López Rivera is a sixteen year old who is currently coursing the eleventh grade at UHS. She was born and raised in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Ever since she was a kid, she has learned to appreciate the tropical life she leads. Aside from her family and education, sports play the biggest role in her life.

After trying a great variety of sports, she met her one true love when she turned eight: soccer. From that point on, it has not only become her passion, but also her life's dream. She wants to be a professional female soccer player. She trains, studies, and works hard for what she wants, and she loves doing so. She aspires to do many things in this short life, but for now she is merely a high school student who is preparing herself for what is yet to come.



Javier Rodríguez Cruz
Clubbing

His name is Javier Rodríguez and he is a senior here at UHS. He is your basic average student; you will not see him standing out in a group of people. However, if you were to identify him, you would probably find him

hanging out with his friends and talking about some lame meme or joke. Other than that, his hobbies include playing League of Legends and browsing Reddit. In school, he forms part of art club and math club. He is neither a very artistic person nor a very athletic one, although he enjoys both on occasion. Regarding what he wants to study, he is still undecided, but he hopes to soon find something he is passionate about. Considering his personality, he could be considered a cool person to talk to, but he is not the most social person so if you are a stranger it is not advised.



Marisol Rodríguez Berdasco
Comic Sense

Marisol Rodríguez Berdasco is a normal 16-year-old fangirl. Born and raised in Puerto Rico, she currently courses the eleventh grade in U.H.S. She gets obsessed with things pretty easily so do not share any bands or anything you like, unless you want her to pester you

about it 24/7. Her hobbies include watching YouTube videos, reading and sleeping. She is part of two school organizations, the Science Club and NHS. She also works at a veterinary clinic and at the Museum of Puerto Rico. The happiness of her life is resembled in her two dogs, Violeta and Pepa. She is also fueled by the accomplishments of others so she tries to support them in every way possible. She may look or sound mean but be sure, that is not her intention at all. Plus, she jokes around a lot so that may be it. Also if you need a pun-dealer, she is here for you.



Abizairie Sánchez Feliciano
UHS in the Scene

Abizairie Sánchez Feliciano is a sixteen-year-old senior student at UHS. She was born in December 31st, 1999, and raised in Mayagüez and Añasco, respectively, but moved to San Juan in 2011. She danced when she was little, but quitted so she could play volleyball. Abi started playing volleyball when she was ten, but recently started to inactivate in the sport because she is convinced it is not something she would like to pursue in the future. One of the things she likes most is photography because she believes an image is an amazing instrument that can be useful in many different aspects of life. Although she has been convinced since 9th grade that she would study medicine, she is open to any changes that can occur in order to do what makes her happy. She belongs to the UHS Volleyball Team, Science Club and she is also the current historian of the National Honor Society. She has always enjoyed human behavior, reading, visual arts, performing arts, music, food, sleeping and being with people she loves.



Alejandra Ortiz Arraiza
*Lights, Camera,
Action!*

Alejandra Ortiz Arraiza was born on January 31, 1999 in San Juan, Puerto Rico. She has brown eyes and brown wavy hair, and her height is approximately 5'5", considered an average height. She is currently a senior at University High School (UHS). Her favorite food is pasta, her second favorite is sushi, and, finally, her third is rice with beans. Her favorite color is purple because she believes that it is a really happy color. Alejandra likes to draw and paint because she can express herself through it. She has also taken swimming, gymnastics, karate, and ballet lessons before. She still has not figured out what she wants to study when she goes to college but she has many options on her mind. She has been strongly considering staying in Puerto Rico after she graduates and go to the University of Puerto Rico. If she decides to study something that the University of Puerto Rico does not offer her, then she will decide to go to a different university. But, for now, Alejandra thinks the best choice is staying in Puerto Rico.



Andrea C. Rosario
Zambrana
*Lights, Camera,
Action!*

Some people know her as Andrea Carolina Rosario Zambrana, but she prefers Your Highness, Her Majesty, Da Boss, or something else of the sort. She has been walking the face of the Earth for sixteen whole years! If she was asked, her favorite feature about herself would be, hands down, her gorgeous right foot. Andrea is also funny and sarcastic. Her top interests include acting and singing. At school, she belongs to the Oratory League, the English Forensic League, and to the National Honor Society. When Andrea graduates high school, she wishes to continue studying, somehow combining Psychology, Public Relations, and Marketing, and travel the world through her work. Andrea loves helping people, laughing, hardcore fangirling, whining about global warming, reading horoscopes and over-analyzing everything.



Myrta Santana Santini
Meet UHS and Co-Editor in Chief

She goes by the name Myrta Cristina Santana Santini, and no, her last names were not planned. Oddly, people actually ask her that a lot. The world was graced with her presence on May 30th of 1999, from the final batch of 90's babies. Myrta considers herself to be a total bookworm, as well as a professional procrastinator. Her zodiac sign is Gemini, so beware of her mood swings and personality changes. On the academic front, she is a member of various groups and organizations, such as: Student Council, National Honor Society, Student counselors, Science Club and CACE. Myrta still has not fully decided what her future holds, but she does know it will be something related to reading, writing and editing.



Andrés Santana Miranda
Meet UHS and Co-Editor in Chief

Andrés Santana Miranda is a senior, an art and music enthusiast, and a walking and talking broccoli. Even though he does not pay attention to horoscopes, he identifies as an amiable yet screaming Libra. Additionally, according to the Enneagram test, he is a Type 9: the Peacemaker. If he is not screaming, laughing or eating, you might find him ranting about politics, or just appreciating art and music. Academically, he participates in the Student Council as President, and National Honor Society, among other things. Andrés hopes to study Architecture in the UPR, hopefully focusing on the preservation of historic buildings.



Lorena Solá Torres
Beauté

Lorena Solá is currently a high school student in the twelve grade. She is a psychological-thriller movie enthusiast. Her favorite actor is Anthony Hopkins because she considers him a master at what he does and his movies are so well made and captivating. Her favorite book series is "The Da Vinci Code". Favorite movie is "Silence of the Lambs". Most of the time, you can find her listening to music or reading on her phone. Her favorite colors are black, grey and burgundy red. Her career aspiration is to become a psychiatrist, although she sometimes questions herself if that is what she really wants. She considers herself to be a pretty good artist for a person that has not taken a single art class, excluding school electives. Overall, Lorena is an introverted, nice person with a huge heart and big dreams.

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Myrna Gandía Ferrer
Professor

Her birth name is Myrna Gandía Ferrer, but her students know her as professor or teacher. She was born on June 16, making her a proud Gemini. When she is not teaching her English Lab course, she is getting her Doctorate degree on teaching English as a second language. She considers herself to be a soccer mom, running from practices to games with her youngest son. Myrna has six kids, three of which are dogs. She leads a happy family life, and is a great educator, which can be expected after sixteen years of teaching.

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Julian Antonio Silva Madera is a 17 year old senior. He is a responsible, organized and funny student who hangs out, goes to the beach and movies, and plays sports with his friends. He is also in the National Honors Society and the school basketball and volleyball teams. Like every other teenager, he watches a lot of TV and Netflix. He loves Kobe Bryant and the Lakers, likes politics and wants to study industrial engineering. Some people say he does an awesome Donald Trump impression too, "It's gonna be huuuuuuuge".



Julián Silva Madera
UHS Sports



María J. Soto Flores
Mode de Vie

María José was born on July 19 1999 to a happy couple and an older sister. This year she is officially a senior in the UHS. Most Saturdays you will see her at the theater with her family and friends. She has been a part of the National Honor Society since 10th grade. She considers herself to be a thoughtful and quiet person, which is why she hates being in the gazebos when reggaetón is playing. She loves fashion and shopping with her family and friends. She also owns more than a hundred different nail polishes and enjoys doing designs on nails. In her spare time she loves reading books and helping around the house. She hopes to attend the UPR to study biology after graduating to become a doctor.

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