

PEDRO SANCHEZ B.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE '11

Does your career move you?

For Pedro Sanchez, the answer is a definite "yes!"

A Regional Sales Representative for Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Sanchez not only travels the country as part of his job, but also feels motivated by working in a leadership capacity and using skills honed at CSUCI.

Sanchez is based at the company's headquarters in Rancho Cucamonga, but his territory includes Louisiana, Nebraska, Missouri, Alabama, Mississippi and Arkansas. His time on the road affords the opportunity to explore the Midwest and South and attend events there in his free time. Some highlights include seeing the Dodgers take on the Cubs at Chicago's Wrigley Field, attending a Metallica concert at Busch Stadium in St. Louis and visiting Bourbon Street in New Orleans.

"I've always had a strong wanderlust, so I'm thankful to have a job that allows me to travel," says Sanchez. "There's so much to see in this country, and there's always something to do when you know how to get creative. I've made a lot of new friends and really value those relationships. Along the way, I'm building great memories."

However, life wasn't always this comfortable.

Sanchez grew up in a single-parent home and watched his mother work tirelessly to keep the family afloat.

"I never once saw her throw in the towel, though, and that strength inspired mine," he says. "I'm the first in my family to graduate from college, and my goal now is to live life to the fullest. Life never stops, so we must persevere and work hard for the things we desire. Beyond that, I only want to continue being a good person and take my life one day at a time so I can enjoy every moment."

As he looks forward to successes and adventures ahead, Sanchez reflects on his CSUCI days.

"I've always been a deep, critical thinker, but my CI professors and mentors taught me how to ask the right questions and, more importantly, how to find answers. Thank you Dr. Grove for never making it easy. I'm ready for anything!"

NOTE: When not working or exploring new cities, Sanchez enjoys perfecting his bass guitar skills.

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