



A BRIEF HISTORY OF

# THE NATIONAL HISPANIC INSTITUTE AT SAN ANTONIO (NHIATSA)

NHIATSA WAS ESTABLISHED FEBRUARY 9, 1996  
BELOW ARE HIGHLIGHTS THROUGH THE YEARS

1995

1995 Hispanic Youth Leaders Organization (HYLO) Established.

Founding chapters at Antonian, Health Careers & Providence High Schools.

1996

1995 San Antonio Community Leadership Council (SACLC) is established and becomes incorporated on February 9, 1996.  
Founders: Dr. Héctor F. González, President and Co-Founder and Mrs. Mary Helen González, Vice-President and Co-Founder

San Antonio takes 2 students to the Young Leaders Conference

Project Administrators, Dr. Héctor & Mrs. Mary Helen González

1997

San Antonio takes first official/formal team to the Young Leaders Conference (Team of 7)

Head Coach H. Analco González

1998

First Runner Up, Ambassador Young Leaders Conference

Project Administrator, Ixchell González

First Official SAYLC Team Song  
Bailamos, Enrique Iglesias

2000

First Year to attend the Sherman Texas Great Debate

Champions of the Ambassador Great Debate Silver Cup

HYLO Grows to over 12 Chapters City-wide

SACLC Establishes the Nuevo Horizonte Middle School Initiative in EISD

2003

NHI-OLLU Leadership Service Center Established  
Director, H. Analco González

2004

SACLC Establishes the Nuevo Horizonte Middle School Initiative in SAISD

2006

First Full Team to Sherman Great Debate

2008

Project Administrator, Anita Fernández

2010

First time back to Ambassador Great Debate  
with Full Team

2011

2011 Sherman Great Debate

Most to break into the Sweet 16 in regional  
history

First time for Mock Trial to be on stage in Finals,  
First time to Win First in Mock at Sherman.

2015

San Antonio wins Texas ambassador  
great debate at UT Austin

2016

Texas star great debate at OLLU in SA

Alumni board of directors launches: The board  
includes NHI alumni from SA: (Victoria  
Shoemaker, Dr. Willie Cantu, Maricela Guerra)

2023

2023 1st Place in Atheneum – Inaugural  
Athenaeum Champions

2024

67 students at the Texas Great Debate – 1st  
Runner Up for the Silver Cup

Champions of the Ambassador Great Debate  
Silver Cup

THIS TIMELINE REPRESENTS A POWERFUL JOURNEY OF  
DEDICATION AND IMPACT. AS WE CELEBRATE THE MILESTONES  
ACHIEVED, WE LOOK AHEAD WITH IMMENSE ANTICIPATION TO  
THE OPPORTUNITIES AND GROWTH THAT LIE BEFORE US.  
TOGETHER, WE WILL CONTINUE TO EMPOWER THE LATINO  
YOUTH.