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Brigitta's love of her native language, Spanish, fueled her desire to work with languages and launch UNO Translations and Communications, LLC (UNO) in 1998. UNO considers itself a linguistic partner to companies, not only offering translation services in more than 200 languages, but also consulting with companies in international cultural business issues. Her personal experience seeing her parents struggle in learning another language and culture gives Brigitta a true

passion for her work and has formed the basis for her company's philosophy and mission.

Brigitta, a bilingual native of the Washington, DC area, was born in Bethesda, Maryland, and grew up in Alexandria, Virginia. The daughter of an Argentine father and Ecuadorian mother, her native language is Spanish. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Averett College and successfully completed the Minority Business Executive Program from Dartmouth's Tuck School of Business and University of Virginia's Darden School of Business. In 2020, Brigitta was appointed by the Office of the Governor to the Virginia Council on Women. She is honored to serve as the Chair of the Loudoun Literacy Council, and a board member for 100 Women Strong. She is a past board member of: the George Mason University Women in Business Initiative; Devotion to Children, a Northern Virginia-based organization dedicated to providing services to needy children under the age of six; Mobile Hope, a Loudoun County-based organization assisting at-risk youth; Loudoun Hunger Relief, a Loudoun County-based food pantry; and Leadership Loudoun.

In 2019, Brigitta was awarded the Enterprising Woman of the Year as well as the Top 100 MBE award from the Capital Region Minority Supplier Development Council (CRMSDC). For the past four years, Brigitta has been named to Loudoun Business Journal's Top 100 Women Who Mean Business. Brigitta is a member of the American Translator's Association (ATA) and the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce.