**Football CV – Jose Garcia Esparza**

Goal:  **To continue playing soccer competitively at the professional level.**

YouTube video link: **https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sYCdvLtEsCA**

**Player information:**

Name:    **Jose D. Garcia Esparza** Height:  **5’ 9’’ (176 cm)** Weight:  **170 lbs. (77 kg)**

Date of Birth:  **December 24, 1993** Nationality:  **MEXICO** Footing: **Both**

 (Currently on I-821 status with

 employment authorization in the U.S.)

Place of Birth:  **Pabellon de Arteaga, Aguascalientes, MEX**

Languages: **Spanish (fluent), English (fluent), Portuguese (intermediate)**

Playing Position: (**Primary) Central Midfielder - (Secondary) Left/Right Winger**

College Attended: **Marian University (2014-2016) – *Graduated May 2016***

 **Mid-Continent University (2012-2014)**

Current Club: **Kalamazoo FC (NPSL) 2016-present.**

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**Playing Experience**

**Kalamazoo FC (National Premier Soccer League) – *Kalamazoo, Michigan (Summer 2016)***

* Played in 14 matches during 2016 season, 10 as a starter.
* Scored first official goal in franchise history.
* Ranked second in points playing as an attacking center midfielder.

**Marian University (NAIA) – *Indianapolis, Indiana (2014 – 2016)***

* Played in 34 matches over 2 years for Marian, 32 as a starter.
* Crossroads League All-Conference team selection 2016.
* Finished senior season with 6 goals and 5 assists for second best in team points.
* Captain of the team senior season.
* Recorded 70 shots during two seasons, 35 on goal.

**Mid-Continent University (NAIA) – *Mayfield, Kentucky (2012 – 2014)***

* Played in 32 matches over two years for MCU, 29 as a starter.
* Named rookie of the year after 2012 season.
* Led team in assists in 2013 with 9.
* Tallied 43 MCU career shots, 23 on target.
* Achieved Academic all-district honors 2012 and 2013.
* Academic All-American shortlist 2013.

**Indiana Invaders FC (Youth Club) – *South Bend, Indiana (Youth career, 2008-2012)***

* Led team to National Competition 2nd place finish in Iowa in 2011.
* 23 goals and 17 assists in 2011
* Captured State Cup titles twice in 2010 and 2011 and Region II championship in 2011
* Played in 65 games for Coach Mamba Chisoni while starting 60
* Recorded 56 goals and 35 assists over the span of 3 years
* Trained one season under coach Chisoni for the Indiana Invaders PDL senior team in the spring of 2012.

**Skills, training, and playing characteristics**

* Exposed to and trained in all positions of competitive play; currently specializing in midfield responsibilities, (predominantly central attacking and wing positions) requiring delaying, channelization, acting as a play initiator, tackling, counterattacking, and supporting forwards and strikers.
* Skilled in defensive and attacking techniques, including dribbling, heading, slide tackling, shielding, finishing, and ball controlling.
* Good Center of Gravity, good balance. Hard to knock down.
* Willing and able to effectively take on defenders and beat them.
* Skilled with both right and left feet.
* High intensity, high concentration. Excellent timing and anticipation, positioning, reading the game.
* Knowledgeable in rules of the game, team and individual strategy.
* High pain threshold.  Strong leadership skills on and off the field. Take-charge mentality.

**References**

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