

# Mission and Vision

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### Our Mission

Centro is a research institute that is dedicated to the study and interpretation of the Puerto Rican experience in the United States and that produces and disseminates relevant interdisciplinary research. Centro also collects preserves and provides access to library resources documenting Puerto Rican history and culture. We seek to link scholarship to social action and policy debates and to contribute to the betterment of our community and the enrichment of Puerto Rican studies.

### Our Vision

Centro is dedicated to the comprehensive collection of data, graphic art, and library and archival resources that document the history and legacy of Puerto Ricans in the United States, and to the study and analysis of critical and relevant social problems and conditions that affect this culturally diverse nation for purposes of promoting effective community and public sector interventions. We also aim to support the intellectual and educational advancement of young scholars.

We are committed to supporting the development of programs, curricula, and pedagogies that motivate Hunter, CUNY, and other students, as well as teachers, to learn, provide the necessary supports for success, and encourage a sense of service toward others. We seek to achieve excellence in all of our programs and to affect positively the well-being of Puerto Ricans and other diasporic peoples in the United States.

Our organization values collaborations with Latinos, Caribbean, and other populations sharing similar social conditions and challenges. We regard such collaborations as an essential ingredient for promoting solidarity and advancement for all people.

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