

Institute of Interdisciplinary Research

UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO AT CAYEY

Our Mission

To advance undergraduate research, community service and academic creation at UPR Cayey by supporting interdisciplinary, regional and applied research projects.

Our Goals

To advance and facilitate interdisciplinary research.

To produce knowledge relevant to Puerto Rico and to the UPR-C service region.

To provide undergraduate research experiences that lead to student success.

To provide a supportive environment for researchers.

To disseminate the results of our research projects.



THE INSTITUTE IN NUMBERS *2004-2022*

96 RESEARCHERS SUPPORTED

MORE THAN **100** STUDENTS ACTIVELY
ENGAGED IN RESEARCH ANNUALLY

78 % APPLY TO GRADUATE SCHOOL &
92 % OF THOSE REPORT BEING
ADMITTED

480 RESEARCH PROJECTS

208 PUBLICATIONS

\$16,982,421 EXTERNAL FUNDS
SECURED

MORE THAN **16** INTERDISCIPLINARY
COURSES AND **62** PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES OFFERED
ANNUALLY

1,650 AFFILIATES

► To learn more about our successful model of research in a Primary Undergraduate Institution see:

Godreau, I., Gavillán-Suárez, J., Franco-Ortiz, M., Calderón-Squiabro, J. M., Marti, V., & Gaspar-Concepción, J. (2015) "Growing Faculty Research for Students' Success: Best practices of a research institute at a minority-serving undergraduate institution", *Journal of Research Administration*, vol.46:2, 55-78

Innovative Programs to Enhance Research Training
NIH, 2016-2021

Title: Enhancing Research Training through Empowerment, Resilience, and Civic Engagement

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Goal:

To expand and enhance existing training efforts across all UPR units with innovative recruitment and training strategies that will give trainees from disadvantage backgrounds, non-metropolitan geographical areas, and nontraditional biomedical disciplines access to training opportunities in biomedical and socio- behavioral research not previously available to them.

Learn more at:

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Resources

CENSUS INFORMATION CENTER

Part of the US Census Bureau, the CIC Program helps to disseminate Census information to communities. It is also an analysis, education and service center.

INTERDISCIPLINARY SEMINARS, CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND TRAININGS

An ongoing program of seminars, conferences and workshops provides opportunity for faculty and students to share their research, invite collaborators as speakers, receive training in research methodologies and responsible conduct in research, among other topics.

SUPPORT FOR FACULTY IN RESEARCH

The Institute provides research and mentorship training, proposal development training, Startup Funds and seed money for new faculty.

STUDENTS AND FACULTY RESEARCH SYMPOSIA

The Institute coordinates the annual UPR Cayey Student and Faculty Research Symposia.

INTERDISCIPLINARY COURSES

Three innovative master syllabi provide education opportunities to UPR students: The INTD 4116: Interdisciplinary Research Experiences, where students work as Research Assistants and obtain academic credits; the INTD 4996: Topics in Interdisciplinary Studies, and the INTD 3027: Culture, Health, and Environment Topics. The Institute welcomes researchers from PR and the Diaspora as Adjunct Professors to conduct research in Puerto Rico through the INTD 4116 course. See *The Antonia Pantoja Research Mentoring Program* at: <http://bit.ly/antonia-pantoja-program>.

TECHNICAL RESEARCH REPORTS: "CUADERNOS DEL INSTITUTO"

These on-line publications provide an accessible, edited venue to disseminate research results and obtain feedback for future peer-reviewed publications. Both faculty and students publish their research. The Cuadernos are available in both hard copy and web portal versions.

PRE AND POST AWARD SUPPORT

We provide pre award and post award support to researchers in collaboration with the UPR-C Sponsored Programs and Research Office. Through various externally funded projects, the III has been a leader in research infrastructure development and enhancement at the UPR Cayey.

WEB PAGE

Provides news, resources, results, researchers profiles and other information of benefit for the research community.

RESEARCH LABS

One computer lab with research software, telecommunications equipment and support technician.

AFFILIATES

Our network of affiliates has members with whom we share research activities and opportunities

RESEARCH SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Our team is comprised by a Director (Prof. Vionex Marti), two researchers (Dr. Isar Godreau/ Anthropology and Dr. Mariluz Franco/Psychology), a Technology and Telecommunication Technician and three administrative assistants.

PARTNERS AND COLLABORATORS

Some of our collaborators are:

