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The Latin American and Latino Studies Program and the Political Science Department introduces the Spring 2018

Tinker Lecture Series

"Puerto Rico: After Hurricane Maria"

Edwin Meléndez

Director of the Center for Puerto Rican Studies at Hunter College



All lectures are free and open to the public

Wed. Feb. 28th from 12:30-1:30 pm

in the Cheng Library Auditorium

Edwin Meléndez is a Professor of Urban Affairs and Planning at Hunter College. He was appointed as the Director of the Center for Puerto Rican Studies in 2008. An economist by training, he has conducted considerable research in the areas of Puerto Rican and Latino studies, economic development, labor markets, and poverty. In addition to numerous scientific papers and other publications, he is the author or editor of ten books. Professor Melendez has an extensive record of community and public service, including numerous appointments to government and community boards, and has worked as a consultant to numerous government, community, and philanthropic foundations. He received the Lifetime Achievement Award in Education, 2011, from the New York League of Puerto Rican Women, the 2010 Educational Leadership Honoree award from the National Puerto Rican Day Parade, New York, and El Diario El Awards 2009, New York.

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