

Proposed Purposes for the Inter-American University of Puerto Rico

1. To strengthen our broad Christian emphasis by enabling each to discover his inner resources for social, moral, and spiritual growth that will aid him in finding direction in life and in formulating his own philosophy of life.
2. To give each student a broad general education and at the same time enable him to obtain a thorough knowledge of Puerto Rico by drawing the vital roots of the curriculum from Puerto Rican and world cultural contributions enabling each to be well at home in the world of his time and to create within himself a sensitivity that makes him aware of the needs of his community, island, nation, and the whole world.
3. To emphasize the development of the ability to communicate with clarity and ease in speech and writing in Spanish and English.
4. To promote that kind of co-curricular program that will instill in each student and faculty member the realization that persons are the high value of life. In all of our activities nothing is worth the making unless it makes us.
5. To serve as an educational center for the study of those problems and programs upon which the successful future of Puerto Rico as a leader of growth areas and the improvement of similar areas of the world depend.
6. To stimulate an atmosphere on our campus that gives to each student, faculty member, administrator, and citizen of the community the feeling of belonging and the opportunity to grow in human warmth and to build those attitudes conducive to self-discipline, mutual cooperation, and a consideration of others enhancing a spirit of service through fine university-community relations.
7. In all campus activities to concentrate on the development of the whole individual by
 - a. arousing an interest in experimentation and developing creative imagination through the direct application of theory and practice in the natural sciences, humanities, and social sciences correlating the efforts among these.
 - b. providing actual laboratory situations in which the solving of problems, the making of choices, the promotion of thinking from an informed basis, and the assumption of responsibility will cultivate more fully capacities for leadership.
 - c. experimenting to determine the common core of content, procedures, and experiences that will enable each to prepare more adequately for the future by becoming acquainted with pre-vocational and pre-professional skills.