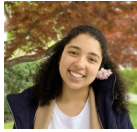


## We are CREAR Futuros at QC!



**Aylin Johnson** is an Ecuadorian-American college senior majoring in Sociology and minoring in Media Studies. As a mentee of different organizations since 2018 and a CREAR mentor since 2022, they know the importance of building community ties to uplift one another. Aylin hopes to become a research analyst to work with data to push for social reform, especially for the LGBTQ+ community. When Aylin isn't working, studying, or hanging out with friends, they enjoy reading comics, exercising, and playing guitar."



**Stephanie Tapia** is a Mexican-American student majoring in Psychology and minoring in Latin-American studies. Her passion is helping people in need and advocating for mental health in her community. Has been working in the CREAR Futuros program for 2 years in LaGuardia Community College, was a Center for Immigration Education and Training (CIET) Online Learning Hub Volunteer Tutor, tutoring ELA to K-12 students. She is currently working in the First Year Experience (FYE) program helping freshman students navigate the QC campus and student life. Fun facts; she loves to read when commuting, plays video games, her favorite character is Kirby, enjoys trying new foods, and is always looking for a cute cafe to hang around in.



**Sofia Rosales** is a Colombian/Dominican American who is majoring in Adolescent Social Studies Education. She's an experienced tutor, very passionate about education and helping others since high school and was the first student to extend in class internship opportunities for others at her high school. While in Queens College she has been involved in the SEEK program tutoring English, Spanish, and Social Studies. She was briefly in ALPFA's communications department, and recently started working with children with special needs as a Behavioral Therapist at Achieve Beyond. Some fun facts about her are that, she is an only child and has been previously homeschooled for a few years. Her hobbies include, discovering international music especially from the 80s, everything to do with indie horror games, reading, meeting new people, exploring new places to eat, and so much more.



**Ricardo Barco** is a Colombian-American majoring in Urban Studies and Public Administration, with a profound passion for Latinx inclusion, immigration, education, and social services visibility. Avid traveler, reader of detective novels, loves salsa music, and going to concerts. Enjoys meeting new people and networking. Former Black Male Initiative mentee and SEEK mentor at Kingsborough Community College. Eager to be able to help other Latinx students succeed.



A Model for Latinx College Success



A project of the Hispanic Federation and  
The City University of New York



# CREAR Futuros:

## Model for Latino College Success

**CREAR Futuros** provides an exclusive opportunity for incoming freshmen, sophomore and transfer students at the City University of New York (CUNY) to position themselves on a path to success!

### What is CREAR Futuros?

**CREAR Futuros**, which means "To Create Futures" in Spanish, is a peer-mentor based initiative designed to improve student success at targeted CUNY colleges.

**CREAR (Colleges Readiness, Achievement and Retention)** students will be paired with knowledgeable and highly trained upper-class CUNY peer-mentors that will introduce them to campus resources (financial aid, course selection, tutoring), provide tips on how to reduce stress, manage time wisely, and offer expert insight on how to make the most out of their time at CUNY.

This competitive program will grant participants **internships** and **professional development opportunities**, and **access to a range of free social support services**.

### Who is Involved?

Hispanic Federation, a leading Latinx advocacy and nonprofit membership organization, and CUNY are partnering with Latinx community-based agencies, the NYC Department of Education, public policy stakeholders, and business leaders to launch this esteemed program committed to achieving systemic change and large scale collective impact on Latinx college access, retention and graduation.

### Funders:

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[hispanicfederation.org](http://hispanicfederation.org)

### Who are my CUNY Campus Reps?



**Irving Uribe, M.F.A.**

Queens College, CUNY

Executive Assistant for the Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

[CREAR Futuros](#) Campus Liaison

### Why Should I Sign-up?

- Join a National Network of Latinx Leaders
- Receive 1-on-1 Mentorship Support from a Queens College Junior or Senior
- Access to Professional Development Opportunities
- Access to a network of Latinx professionals in the public and private sectors
- Exclusive Hispanic Federation and partner events
- Special workshops
- A fun, cultural environment!

### What Are My Responsibilities?

- 1 year commitment (September through May)
- Engage in communications with your mentor
- Attend monthly in-person/virtual trainings/webinars
- Attend bi-weekly one-on-one in-person/virtual meetings with your mentor

### How Do I Sign-Up?

- Mentees are recruited on a first come, first serve basis. Simply send an e-mail to [crearfuturos@qc.cuny.edu](mailto:crearfuturos@qc.cuny.edu).

### Am I Eligible?

Students who have an interest in improving the success rates for Latinx students in higher education are encouraged to **apply quickly and are selected on a first come, first serve basis**.

This program is open to all incoming freshman, sophomore and transfer students with under sixty college credits of all races and ethnicities, attending:

