

Obama taps UPR professor for panel ^[1]

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By: Kevin Mead President Barack Obama has named University of Puerto Rico physics professor Manuel Gomez to the President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanics. Gomez is founder and director of UPR's Resource Center for Science & Engineering. He also heads the Puerto Rico Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation Project, the Puerto Rico Alliance for Graduate Education and the Professoriate Program, and is a co-director of the Institute for Functional Nanomaterials. Previously, Gomez served as a member of the National Science Foundation Directorate for Education and Human Resources Advisory Committee, which aims to increase K-16 students learning in STEM fields. He has also served as the vice president for research and academic affairs at UPR, where he oversaw the Statewide Systemic Initiative project. In 2008, Gomez was awarded the Science Award by the Rotary Club of San Juan for his work in physics. He holds a bachelor's in physics from UPR and a Ph.D. in theoretical physics from Cornell University. Obama also named Santa Ana College official Sara Lundquist to the President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanics. "I am honored that these talented individuals have decided to join this Administration and serve our country," Obama said. "I look forward to working with them in the months and years to come."

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