The Center for Publicly Engaged Scholarship at UCSB is devoted to amplifying the social impact of research across the campus, with a special emphasis on the closely related research in educational equity, carried out in the GGSE, and research on the many problems that stem from societal inequities, carried out principally in the Division of Social Sciences. This Center focuses both on roots and remedies, and will direct its work toward partnerships with a range of audiences, from activists and civil society organizations, to government agencies, the media, and the private sector. The CPES brings together scholars, community members, and stakeholders to study, discuss, and come up with solutions for major public issues. It builds bridges between university-based research and practical action. The CPES supports communication and collaboration between researchers and the public. The ultimate goals of the Center for Publicly Engaged Scholarship are to support UCSB researchers in partaking in research that makes a difference in the world, to find practical applications for this research, and to help benefit local communities across the globe in promoting equity, social justice, peace, sustainability, education, and health.

**RECENT ACTIVITY**

**OP-ED in LA TIMES**
Brazil’s politics are making the Amazon fires worse. But other factors are at play too Professor Jeffrey Hoelle participated in a series of publicly engaged scholarship workshops, providing him the opportunity to translate his research insight for a public audience in the LA Times.

**UCSB UNDERGRADS MENTOR LOCAL PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS**
The CPES has developed a community engaged learning project where UCSB students mentor local low-income high school students who are behind on their academics.

**The Pushouts**
The Pushouts is a film about the research, community work, and life story of UCSB. Professors Victor Rios and Rebeca Mireles Rios. They create a program for youths that have dropped out of high school. 23 UCSB students are involved in this project.

*National PBS broadcast, October 2019*

**Funding Priorities**

Phase 1: $250k per year in Current Use Funding to provide an infusion of support to launch the public face of the Center through public programming, undergraduate fellowships, postdoctoral scholars, undergraduate internships and support for program leadership.

Phase 2: $5M Endowment to solidify the future of the Center and provide a foundation of support to realize our vision and goals, including teaching, research, media, schools/community outreach and public programming.