

[Edited Volume on the Dominican Diaspora](#)

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Migration is one of the largest topics of our time. Its motivations and effects on the migrants and the host nations have prompted complex and fundamental discussion in much of the world in recent years. The volume we imagine takes this discussion as a backdrop and turns the readers' attention to the complexity of migration in the Spanish-speaking Caribbean. In this geographic area, migration has a long history and has always included a back and forth between different islands in response to economic and/or political problems in the homelands. Within this sociopolitical, historical, psychological, and linguistic context, we decided to examine the motivations and effects of migration by the example of the Dominican diaspora in Puerto Rico and the U.S. mainland. Since the 1960s, the end of the era of the Dominican dictator Trujillo, Dominican migration increased immensely, especially to Puerto Rico and the mainland US. In particular, migration to Puerto Rico is interesting from the research perspective, as two historically and linguistically very similar groups start existing in the same geographic space. But also, the existence of Dominican migration to the US offers a wide field of inquiry.

To this end, we would like to invite you to contribute to this volume, tentatively titled: *The Dominican diaspora in Puerto Rico and the U.S.* The span of research is purposefully broad, in order to offer the reader as complex a picture as possible on the topic of Dominican migration. Scholars who are currently doing research on the linguistic, social, psychological, and historical effects of Dominican migration to Puerto Rico and the US are welcome to submit a 300-word abstract in English or Spanish of their original, unpublished manuscripts in both PDF and Word files to esuarez@shepherd.edu by September 30th, 2018.

A deadline for the submission of the full manuscript will be announced at a later date. The editors will employ the **double-blind peer review** process for the papers. Both the author and the reviewer will remain anonymous throughout the review process.

We have been in contact with editors of the journal *Caribbean Studies* who have expressed interest in publishing this edited volume. Publication is anticipated for December 2019. Questions related to this project can also be sent to esuarez@shepherd.edu.

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