This year marks the 50th Anniversary of the implementation of the 1965 Immigration and Nationality Act (Hart-Celler Act). With this act family reunification became a guiding principle and this led to making the United States in general and New York in particular much more diverse with new immigrant families from Asia, Africa, and Latin America. Fifty years later the "family reunification act" as it is known, faces its greatest challenge. This conference will focus on the implementation of this act, current challenges, and advocacy efforts to address these threats.

Presenters: Kevin Shih (CUNY, Queens), Van Tran (Columbia University) Norma Fuentes (CPS and City College of New York), Greg Acevedo (Fordham Graduate School of Social Service), Dora Galacatos (Feerick Center for Social Justice), Maria Lizardo (Upper Manhattan Improvement Corporation), Shirley Leyro (Borough of Manhattan Community College) and Clara Rodriguez (Fordham College at Lincoln Center)

**When:** Friday, October 26th 2018  
**Time:** 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
**Where:** Lowenstein 12th Floor Lounge, E. Gerald Corrigan Conference Center, Lincoln Center

Please RSVP [here](#).

*Doors open at 8:30 a.m. Breakfast will be served at this event.*
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We look forward to seeing you!

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