The Advanced Research Collaborative (ARC) is the focal point of the collaborative research activities of the Graduate Center. ARC promotes interdisciplinary research; partners with Graduate Center research centers, institutes, and interdisciplinary committees; connects the research activities of CUNY faculty at the colleges to Graduate Center research programs and seminars; and provides a home for outstanding visiting scholars to collaborate with faculty and students in its Distinguished Visiting Fellows Program. Through its Research Praxis seminar, ARC offers support to Graduate Center doctoral students pursuing research and provides a platform for students to independently share and debate their research interests and practices through a student research web page. In addition to the work currently being done in the interdisciplinary committees and initiatives, and outlined on the following page, ARC supports the following areas of research:

**Inequality.** A large number of faculty from a variety of disciplines at the Graduate Center and across CUNY have come together to research the growing inequality in society and to mobilize communities around various alternatives.

**Immigration.** Comparative research on immigration has been a long-standing strength of the Graduate Center. ARC supports a variety of efforts to make this work an even stronger area of focus.

**Digital Initiatives.** Due to the initiative of colleagues in data mining and the digital humanities, this absolutely vital area is also developing well at the Graduate Center. Our digital initiatives impart important new skills to students and faculty as well as raise vital new theoretical and policy issues.

**Transnational Nonstate Actors.** Increasingly, a range of private actors operates on the global scene, some outside of any legal framework. Global governance needs energy and inputs from intergovernmental and nongovernmental organizations, the media, and corporations. Graduate Center research in this area is already well recognized internationally, and ARC lends additional support to these efforts.

**The Humanities.** The Graduate Center has some of the most outstanding scholars in this field. We are also fortunate to have developed a remarkably successful Center for the Humanities in a relatively short period of time. ARC strengthens these activities further and assists in the development of new areas of research and knowledge creation in this field.