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NEM is the first women's studies centre to be developed within a large university in Brazil. It forms part of the Department of Social Work of the Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro.

NEM organizes seminars, round tables, talks, meetings, film sessions and audiovisual shows, etc. with the aim of bringing together students and professionals in different areas to exchange information amongst themselves and the members of PUC/RJ (students, professors, and non-academic staff).

It aims to be a centre which, while following the university regulations, attempts to contribute to the elimination of all forms of discrimination and the improvement of the situation of women. In this sense NEM acts not only at the academic level, but promotes exchanges, the sharing of experiences and mutual support amongst women so that each one, or each group, may better attain its objectives.

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Objectives

- 1 To promote courses relating to women's problems, using a new academic and scientific approach, in the various departments of PUC, incorporating staff from distinct areas of study.
- 2 To develop studies and research of subjects relevant to women, publicize their results both within and outside the university.
- 3 To publicize information about studies and activities related to the subject of women, carried out in NEM, the university and other institutions in Brazil.
- 4 To create an area of specific documentation, which brings together Brazilian and international publications as well as unpublished university work, to aid teaching and research.

Activities

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NEM has human resources, both teaching and research staff, in different disciplines, which permit a wide range and diversity of activities.

Teaching — Women's Studies courses are offered in PUC/RJ's academic programme.

Research — Research projects on important topics relevant to a greater understanding of the female condition.

Community Action — NEM seeks ways to help women in general, and those in the low-income sector in particular, through activities which encourage participation in the solution of problems affecting community life.

Documentation and Publications – Information about studies and research work, published in Brazil and abroad, in addition to publications of work carried out at NEM in the form of research, articles, essays and monographs.