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Persistence and patience pays off. Padrón — who has long coveted Miami's Freedom Tower for its historical significance and proximity to the college's downtown campus — helped convince attorney and real estate developer Pedro Martin to make the tower officially part of the college's patrimony. Next for the activist educator: campaigning for a half-penny sales tax to fund continuing education costs in Miami-Dade County.