Faculty member: Yumary Ruiz, PhD, MPH, Assistant Professor of Public Health, Department of Health & Kinesiology

Description of research study: The PPP-LARP Study seeks to understand the factors (such as expectancies, emotions, self-efficacy) that influence contraceptive intentions among Latina teens who have experienced a previous pregnancy. We will also explore how context such as the family and health care providers influence teens’ contraceptive intentions. To this end, in-depth interviews will be conducted with Latina teens, their parents, and health care providers.

Description of undergraduate participation: While a student will be able to contribute in many ways to the research project, typical responsibilities might include the following:

- Conduct literature reviews
- Recruit study participants
- Leading / assisting with participant interviews
- Data entry and coding
- Attend project meetings
- Assist in preparing reports, articles, and presentations

Requirements

- Bilingual preferred (Spanish/ English)
- Seniors or Juniors
- 3.00 GPA (3.5 preferred)
- 9+ hours per week
- Afternoon/evening availability, some weekends
- Access to a car:

Research setting: This community-based research project will be conducted at federally qualified health centers in Carroll and Monon Counties, medically underserved areas of Indiana.

Number of assistants needed: 3-5

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Additional comments: Interested students must send résumé and a reference to Yumary Ruiz at ruiz46@purdue.edu