HK 490 Community-Based Public Health Research Opportunity
Fall, 2016, Spring 2017, Summer 2017

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

Description of research study: Students will work with Dr. Ruiz to carry out public health research in the area of health disparities among Latinos with a particular emphasis on Latino youth and their families. Research activities will explore factors that affect the decision-making process such as availability of resources, life events (i.e. migration), living patterns, intentions, beliefs, expectations, self-efficacy, attitudes of families, and external forces such as public policies and programs. Student roles and responsibilities might include conducting literature reviews, recruiting participants, collecting and analyzing data, attending project meetings, and assisting in preparing reports, articles, and presentations. Requirements: Bilingual preferred (Spanish/ English), Seniors or Juniors, 3.00 GPA (3.5 preferred).

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
- Qualitative/Quantitative data collection
- Data entry and coding
- Attend project meetings
- Assist in preparing reports, articles, and presentations

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

Research setting: This community-based research project will be conducted on campus and in the field.

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