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TEACHING & MENTORING POSITIONS

Assistant Professor

2018-Present Department of Health Science, California State University, Long Beach

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2017-2018 Graduate School of Public Health, San Diego State University

Member of Theses Committees

6. Flores-Garcia, J. (2020). Social determinants of health and Type 1 Diabetes Management among Latinx Adolescents. Masters of Public Health.
5. Dionicio, P. (2020)

11. Garcia, M.L

factors among Hispanics/Latinos with poorly-controlled diabetes. Submitted to the Journal of Behavioral Medicine.

Manuscripts In Preparation

4. **Garcia, M.**, Gatdula, N., Bonilla, E., Bird, M., Rascon, M. & Rios-Ellis, B. Hablando Claro: Clear Talk! Applying an Intergenerational Approach to Prevent STIs among Latinas.
2. **Garcia, M.**, Castaneda, S.F., Gallo, L.C, Lopez-Gurrola, M., & Talavera, G.A. Socio- environmental influences on child sedentary behaviors: Results from the Hispanic Community Health Study /Study of Latino Youth.
1. Castaneda, S.F., **Garcia, M.**, Gallo, L.C, Lopez-Gurrola, M., & Talavera, G.A Biopsychosocial and Health Study/ Study of Latinos HCHS/SOL San Diego Casitas

C. Other Peer-reviewed Research Publications

1. Frank, G.C, **Garcia, M.** Ortega, E., & Rios-Ellis, B. (2012). Reducing obesity risk by addressing breastfeeding with Latina moms using Motivational Interviewing techniques. Latinos and Hispanics in Dietetics and Nutrition Newsletter, Fall/Winter 2012.

REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

* denotes student trainee

37. *Figuroa, W., Ortiz, J., & **Garcia, M.** (2019). Factors contributing to uncontrolled diabetes among Hispanic/Latino Adults in Long Beach. 2019 Graduate Research Conference, California State University, Long Beach, Long Beach CA. Abstract and Poster Presentation.
36. *Sanchez, K., Bavarian, N., **Garcia, M.**, & Lovato, K. (2019). Influence of U.S. policy uncertainties on the mental health treatment seeking decision-making process of undocumented Hispanic/Latino immigrants: A qualitative investigation. 2019 UndocuU Conference. Long Beach, CA. Abstract and Oral Presentation.
35. *Pompano, L., Gallo, L.C., Castaneda, S.F., **Garcia, M.**, Munoz, F., Martinez-Mendoza, P., & Talavera, G. (2019). Factors predicting adherence to an integrative model of care intervention in Hispanic/Latino patients with Type II Diabetes. Nutrition 2019 Conference, American Society for Nutrition, Baltimore, MD., Abstract and Poster Presentation.
34. **Garcia, M.L.**, Crespo, N., Behar, A.I., Talavera, G.A., & Elder, J.P. (2019). Weight among Hispanic/Latino Mothers: Comparison of Visual Silhouette and Categorical Survey Methods. 2019 Annual Meeting and Scientific Sessions, Society of Behavioral Medicine, Washington, DC. Abstract and Poster Presentation.
33. **Garcia, M.L.**, Castaneda, S.F., & Talavera, G.A. (2019). Modifiable Correlates of Low-Adherence to Oral Hypoglycemic Medications among Hispanic/Latinos with Type 2 Diabetes. 2019 Annual Meeting and Scientific Sessions, Society of Behavioral Medicine, Washington, DC. Abstract and Poster Presentation.
32. *Sanchez, K., Bavarian, N., **Garcia, M.**, & Lovato, K. (2018). Influence of U.S. policy uncertainties on the mental health treatment seeking decision-making process of undocumented Hispanic/Latino immigrants: A qualitative investigation. 2018 Graduate Research Conference, California State University, Long Beach, CA.
31. **Garcia, M.**, Gallo, L., Gurrola-Lopez, M., Perreira, K., Sotres-Alvarez, D., Isasi, C., Chambers, E.C., Daviglius, M.L., Van Horn, L., Evenson, K.R., Carlson, J., Talavera, G.A. (2018). Socio-environmental influences on youth total sedentary time: Results from the Hispanic Community Health Study / Study of Latino Youth. American Heart Association EPI/Lifestyle Conference 2018, New Orleans, LA. Abstract and Poster Presentation
30. Makarem, N., Aggarwal, B., St-Onge, M.P., Sears, D., Castaneda, S., Marinac, C., Talavera, G.A., Sotres-Alvarez, **Garcia, M.**, & Gallo, L.C. (2018). Nightly Fasting Duration is Associated With Cardiometabolic Risk Profiles Among Hispanic/Latina Women in the Hispanic Community Health Study/Study of Latinos. American Heart Association EPI/Lifestyle Conference 2018, New Orleans, LA. Abstract and Poster Presentation.
29. **Garcia, M.L.**, Castañeda, S.F., Matthew, A. Elder, J.P., Marcus, B.H., & Talavera, G.A. (2018). Correlates of low-adherence to oral hypoglycemic medications among

wastewater system in a rural mexican migrant community: A qualitative investigation. Research Symposium. Moorehouse College. Atlanta, GA. Poster Presentation.

14. Rios-Ellis, B., **Garcia, M.** Rascon, M.,& Frank. G. (2012). Latino Nutrition and Chronic Disease Prevention: A

