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A Systematic Literature Review: Examining the Experiences of Family Involvement in First-Generation Latinx Undergraduate College Students Academic Success and Career Development

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Introduction

Growing Population

Family Involvement

Academic Challenges

Purpose of Study

• Learn about the academic and career barriers they face in higher education

Understand the support they are receiving from families

Research Question

What are the experiences of family involvement in first-generation Latinx undergraduate college students, and how does this contribute to the students academic success and career development?



Methodology

- EBSCO-Host Databases
- Peer-reviewed and full-text
- Keywords: family support, family involvement, family engagement, first-generation Latino/a/x college students, academic success, retention, graduation, and student success
- 70 combination searchers 173 articles saved, 28 articles selected
- Articles selected ranged from a publication date: 2001-2022
- Common categories

• Findings

- Academic challenges
 - Marrun, 2020; Nadeau, 2014; Pino et al., 2012; Pyne & Means, 2013; Rodriguez, et al., 2003
- Lack of access (both for students and for parents/families)
 - Harper et al., 2020; Nadeau, 2014; Pino et al, 2012
- Support from families
 - Espino, 2016; Jabbar, et al., 2019; Marrun, 2020; Rodriguez, et al., 2003
- Gender norms in Latinx families
 - Harper et al., 2020; Marrun, 2020
- Value of a college degree
 - Espino, 2016; Harper et al., 2020; Marrun, 2020; Pyne & Means, 2013
- Cultural values
 - Espino, 2016; Harper et al., 2020; Jabbar, et al., 2019; Marrun, 2020; Nadeau, 2014

Recommendations for Future Research & Practice



Family Engagement & Access

Provide family engagement programming and events

Establish a Family Engagement/Relations Office



Student Academic Support

Provide academic support during the entire college experience beginning with pre-enrollment (before arriving to college)

Creating bridge programs to provide academic support and connection during the summer and partnering with high schools.



Increase Faculty/Staff Education on Latinx Students

Provide training and education seminars for faculty and staff on understanding, working with, and supporting Latinx students.





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