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LITERATURE REVIEW

- Latinx students are one of the highest growing populations in post secondary education, yet they have the lowest graduation rates. (Hernández & Villodas, 2019)
- Latinx students do better in school and are more likely to complete school when they have a support system. (Núñez, 2017)

PURPOSE OF THE STUDY

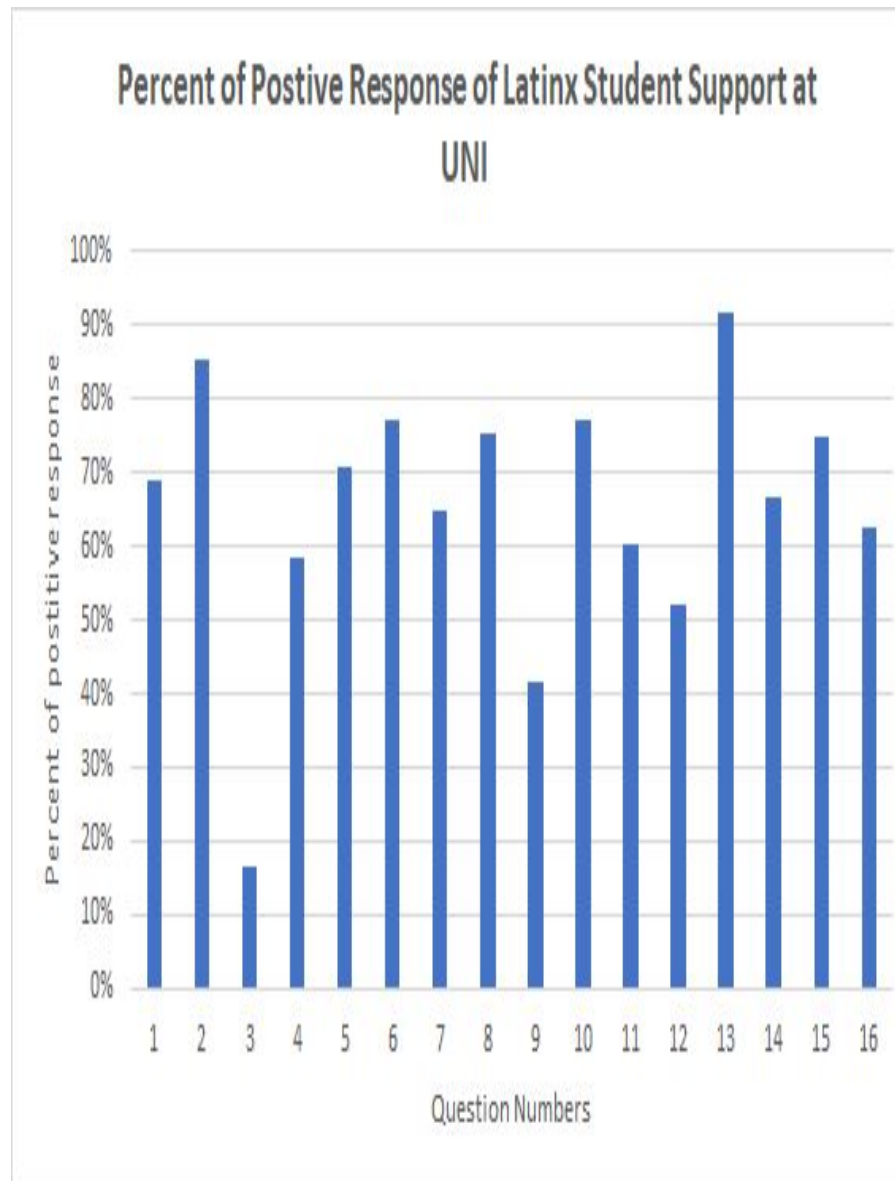
- To determine the attitudes and beliefs of UNI students towards Latinx student support on campus, and help develop UNI as a more inclusive university.

METHOD AND RESULTS

- 48 University of Northern Iowa students were surveyed.
- The percent reporting positively to each question (agree or strongly agree) are presented in the graph.
- Questions three and nine showed the lowest amounts of positive agreement.
- Questions two and thirteen showed the highest amounts of positive agreement.

DISCUSSION

- Based on these results UNI should educate students about the types and degree of discrimination that is reported by Latinx students, as most students disagreed or were neutral on the question (#3) about discrimination faced by Latinx students.
- On the other hand, most students agree that creating a safe environment for Latinx students should be a priority for UNI (#13).
- These results suggest motivation for providing a safe campus, but not an awareness of the issues Latinx students face.
- By UNI Administration being aware of these attitudes of UNI students towards support of Latinx students on campus it can help create a more inclusive university.



SURVEY QUESTIONS

1. UNI needs to be more inclusive of Hispanic/Latinx students.
2. It is important for UNI to put resources into organizations supporting Hispanic/Latinx students
3. There is a lot of discrimination at UNI towards Hispanic/Latinx students.
4. UNI should put money & resources into culture-specific counseling services for Hispanic/Latinx students.
5. UNI should try to recruit more Hispanic/Latinx students to come to UNI.
6. UNI should have special Hispanic/Latinx cultural events & music on campus.
7. UNI should have appropriate Hispanic/Latinx food choices in the dining centers.
8. UNI should provide Spanish language materials-such as course schedules- for Hispanic/Latinx students
9. Recruiting more Hispanic/Latinx students should be a priority for UNI.
10. Training UNI professors and faculty about appropriate behavior towards Hispanic/Latinx students should be a priority..
11. It is important for UNI to have more safe spaces like the CME specifically for Hispanic/Latinx students.
12. UNI should put more resources into the Latin sorority (Lambda Theta Alpha) & the fraternity (Lambda Theta Phi) here on campus.
13. Having a welcoming environment for Hispanic/Latinx students makes UNI a better university.
14. Generally, there should be more resources at UNI allocated to Hispanic/Latinx students.
15. It is important to me that UNI is an inclusive campus for Hispanic/Latinx students.
16. UNI should provide all students with more information about Hispanic/Latinx students.:

- Participants were also asked basic demographic questions: age, gender, race/ethnicity, and class standing.

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