

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Personal Information

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### Education

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#### The University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP), El Paso, TX:

##### **PhD (Fall 2022- present) Interdisciplinary Health Sciences PhD Program**

Research Focus: Public Health

##### **MPH (December 2021) Public Health**

Title of Master Thesis: Influence of Political Affiliation and Distrust of Government and Pharmaceutical Companies on HPV Vaccination Intentions and Uptake

Thesis Chair: Julia Lechuga

##### **B.S. (May 2019) Health Promotion (Honors)**

Minors: Community Health and Biological Sciences

Title of Practicum: Implementation of Mind-Body Bridging Training Among UTEP Research Assistants and Staff

Practicum Preceptor: Thenral Mangadu

### Awards, Honors, and Recognitions

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#### **Graduate School Banner Bearer, College of Health Sciences**

For exceptional leadership and academic attainment

The University of Texas at El Paso

December 2021

#### **Cum Laude Degree Honors**

For academic achievement

The University of Texas at El Paso

May 2019

#### **Dean's List**

For academic achievement

The University of Texas at El Paso

May 2019

#### **Dean's List**

For academic achievement

The University of Texas at El Paso

December 2018

**Dean's List**

For academic achievement  
The University of Texas at El Paso

May 2018

**Dean's List**

For academic achievement  
The University of Texas at El Paso

December 2017

**Dean's List**

For academic achievement  
The University of Texas at El Paso

May 2017

**Dean's List**

For academic achievement  
The University of Texas at El Paso

December 2016

**Dean's List**

For academic achievement  
The University of Texas at El Paso

May 2016

**Research Experience**

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**Research Technician III/PhD Research Associate** to Dr. Gabriel Frieze at the UTEP School of Pharmacy. Elaborating a project that examines trustworthy messengers of vaccine information in Hispanic parents.

Spring 2022-  
Present

**Research Collaborator** to Dr. Julia Lechuga at the UTEP Department of Public Health Sciences. Elaborated a project to understand culture and sexuality-related communication among mother-daughter dyads.

Fall 2019-  
Present

**Graduate Research Assistant** to Dr. Margie Padilla, Dr. Gabriel Frieze, and Dr. Eva Moya at the UTEP School of Pharmacy. Elaborated a project to understand HPV vaccine intentions and attitudes among a Hispanic population.

Spring 2020-  
Spring 2022

**Graduate Research Assistant** to Thenral Mangadu at the UTEP Department of Public Health Sciences. Elaborated a project to provide prevention interventions to women diagnosed with substance use disorder

Spring 2019-  
Spring 2020

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## Certifications

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**Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES)** 2019-Present  
National Commission for Health Education and Credentialing, Inc.

**Responsible Conduct of Research** 2018-Present  
Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program)

**Human Subjects Research** 2018-Present  
Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program)

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## Poster and Professional Presentations

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**Martinez, A.A.,** Perez, A., (August 2021). Creation of Immunization Completion Rate Database for the City of El Paso, TX. PUBH 5662 Practicum in Public Health Poster Exhibit, UTEP, El Paso, TX.

**Martinez, A.A.,** Guevara, P., & Mangadu, T.D. (May 2019). Implementation of Mind-Body Bridging Training Among UTEP Research Assistants and Staff. HSCI 4600 Practicum in Community Health Poster Exhibit, UTEP, El Paso, TX.

Herrera, E., Gil, M., **Martinez, A.A.,** Frieze, G., (December 2022). Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccine Perceptions: The Role of Family Attitudes and Opinions. Practicum in Public Health Poster Exhibit, UTEP, El Paso, TX.

Gil, M., Herrera, E., **Martinez, A.A.,** Frieze, G., (December 2022). Understanding COVID-19 Immunization Perceptions. Practicum in Public Health Poster Exhibit, UTEP, El Paso, TX.

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## Preceptor Experience

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**Practicum for Public Health Preceptor,** Student- Michelle Gil Fall 2022

**Practicum for Public Health Preceptor,** Student- Elida Herrera Fall 2022

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## Student and Professional Organizations

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**El Paso Immunization Coalition (EPIC)** 2020-Present  
Graduate Student

- Organize and facilitate meetings
- Send updates to community partners

**Eta Sigma Gamma National Health Education Honorary** 2017-2019  
Secretary

- Kept track of member's service hours
- Helped organize volunteer opportunities

**Alpha Xi Delta Women's Fraternity** 2014-2018  
Membership Vice President

- Planned and executed Spring and Fall recruitment events for incoming UTEP students
- Advocated and supported the organization and its members for the advancement of the women's fraternity experience

## **General Work Experience**

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**Cancer Disease Intervention Specialist** 2021-2022  
City of El Paso Department of Public Health

- Provided active surveillance for communicable and infectious diseases
- Collected, abstract, and analyze epidemiological, medical, and clinical data from complex medical records
- Maintained registries of confirmed or suspected cases of cancer and COVID-19
- Developed research tools effective in eliciting needed information from target groups (i.e., medical history)
- Conducted COVID-19 case investigation and data entry