



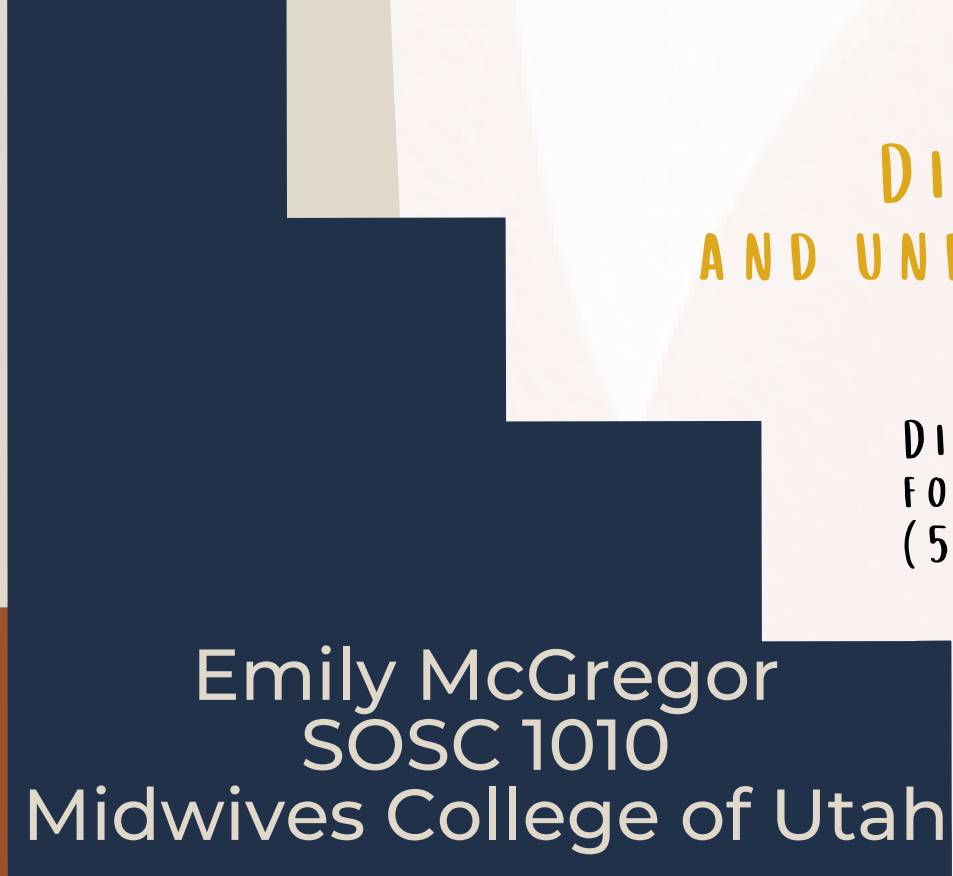
ASSIGNMENT 2.2

RESEARCHING HEALTH DISPARITIES

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STUDY FINDINGS:



Who was in the study

In this study there were 2398 participants.

- 57.5% documented foreign-born.
- 18.7% undocumented foreign-born.
- 23.4% US born

Foreign-born vs US-born

In the US foreign-born women are LESS likely to have low birth weight babies than US-born Latina's from the same country. This is called the "healthy migrant" effect and could be caused by many factors.

Documented vs Undocumented

However there was a significant increase in low birth weight babies for undocumented foreign-born vs documented foreign born Latinas in the US.