# Designing Mixed Methods Studies

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# Objectives



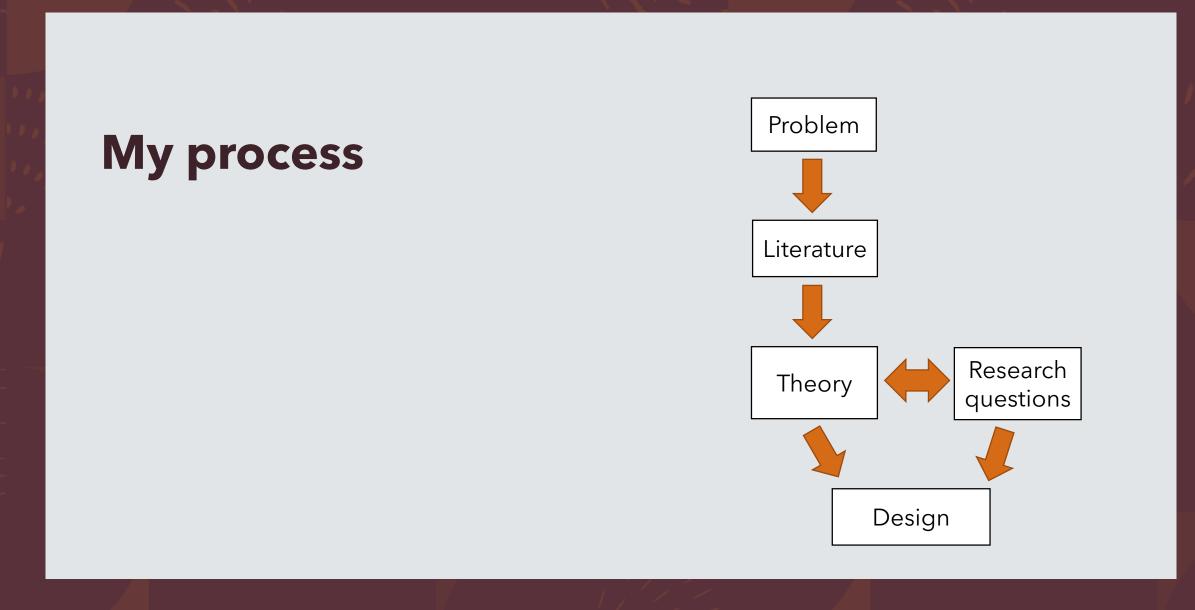
To identify 2-3 ways to design mixed methods studies



To describe how theory can be incorporated into generating research questions and mixed methods designs



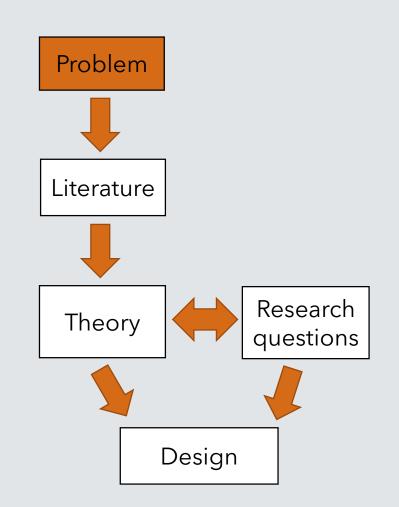
To identify 2-3 practical implications of mixed methods designs





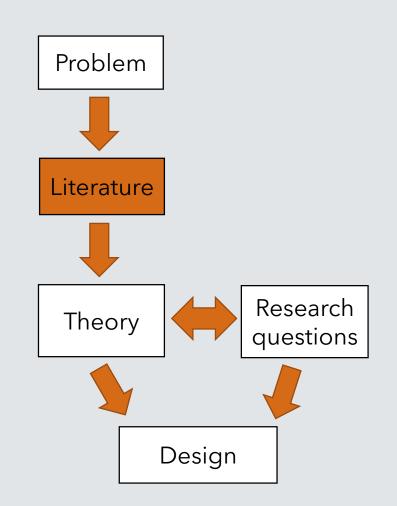
- Collaborators: Jean Scandlyn, Sheana Bull, Patrick Krueger, Fernando Riosmena, Goleen Samari
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 Problem: Inequities in sexual and reproductive health outcomes by race/ethnicity and immigrant generation



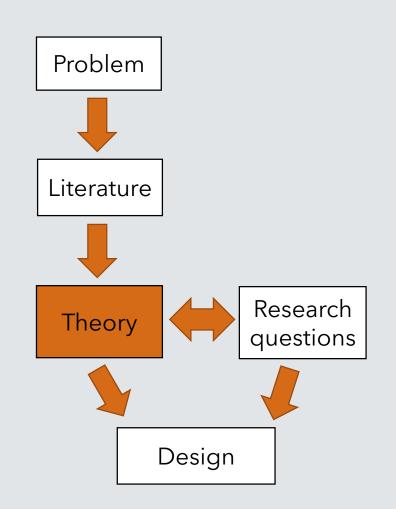
Literature:

- Teen childbearing as a *cause* of social problems
- Blaming families and "traditional Latino culture" for inequities
- Overlooking structural factors



#### Theory:

- Segmented Assimilation Theory (Portes & Zhou, 1993)
- Theory of Gender and Power (Connell, 1987)



## Segmented assimilation theory

FIRST GENERATION		SECOND GENERATION	
Background determinants		Expected outcomes	
Family structure		Downward assimilation (early sexual initiation, non- contraceptive use, adolescent childbearing)	
Acculturation "Traditional cultural values"	"Traditional cultural	<ul> <li>Mostly upward assimilation</li> <li>(later sexual initiation, contraceptive use, delayed childbearing)</li> </ul>	>
Family SES		Upward assimilation and biculturalism (later sexual initiation, contraceptive use, delayed childbearing)	

## Theory of gender and power

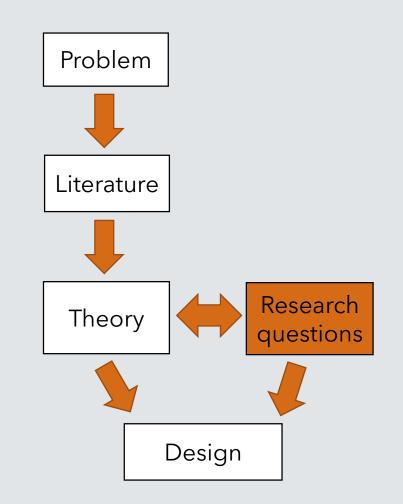
SOCIETAL LEVEL	INSTITUTIONAL LEVEL	SOCIAL MECHANISMS
Gendered division of labor	Family, work	Economic inequities for women and economic dependence upon men
Gendered division of power	Relationships	Unequal power
Cathexis: social norms and affective attachments	Family, relationships, religion	Expectations that constrain women's behavior

Wingood and DiClemente (2002)

#### Research questions:

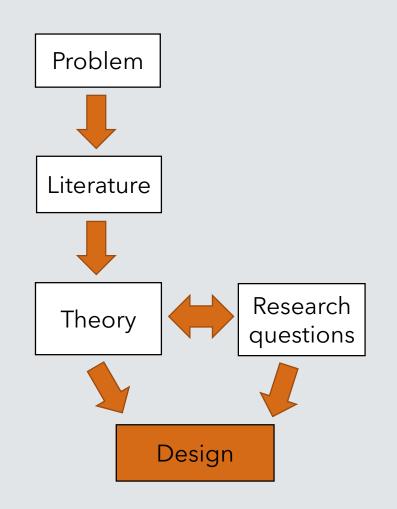
How do cultural constructions of gender and sexuality help explain the relationships between immigrant generation, family characteristics, and reproductive health of Mexican-origin young women?

- Aim 1: To examine how the relationship between immigrant generation and reproductive health in Mexican-origin adolescents varies by family structure and SES.
- Aim 2: To explore how gender and sexuality help explain these associations?



Design:

• A partially mixed, sequential, equal status mixed design (Teddlie and Tashakkori, 2006)



#### Quantitative

- The National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent to Adult Health
- Representative sample of grades
   7-12 in 1994-1995
- 1,638 Mexican-origin participants
- Discrete time survival models for time to first sex and first birth

## Implications:

- Sample selection
- Sample integration legitimization

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## Qualitative

- Mexican-origin women in Metro-Denver
- 27-39 years old
- 11 first generation
- 10 second generation
- Life history interviews, 1-2 hours
- Thematic analysis- theory testing

QUANTITATIVE		QUALITATIVE			
Conceptualization and design					
Add Health data set chosen		Sample inclusion criteria based on			
Participants 29-37yo in 2013		Add Health			
Data Collection					
Significant associations found in Add	$\rightarrow$	Adjusted interview questions to elicit			
Health data		more detail			
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Added Add Health variables		New findings emerged qualitatively			
Analysis					
Tested qualitative patterns	$\leftarrow$	Patterns influenced reproductive			
quantitatively for generalizability		outcomes			

## Implications:

Output



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The socio-political context of migration and reproductive health disparities: The case of early sexual initiation among Mexican-origin immigrant young women

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## 'He supported me 100%': Mexican-immigrant fathers, daughters, and adolescent sexual health

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## The role of older siblings in the sexual and reproductive health of Mexican-origin young women in immigrant families

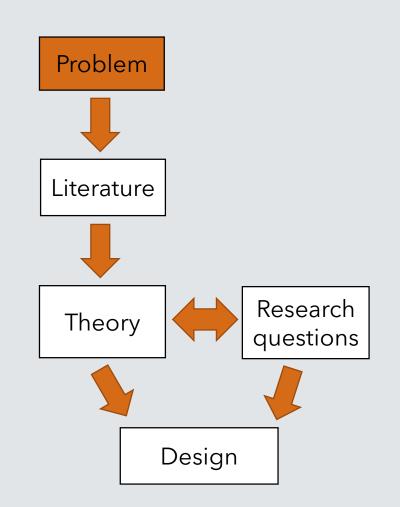
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## Example 2: Access to Judicial Bypass for Abortion Care in Texas

- Co-principal investigators: Amanda Jean Stevenson, Emily Obront, Susan Hays
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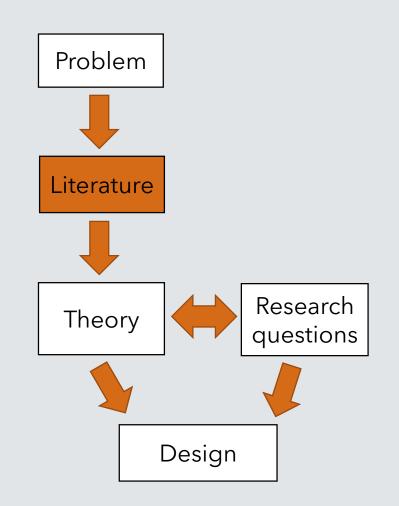
#### Problem:

- Minors need parental consent to access abortion in Texas
- Texas' HB 3994
- Jane's Due Process wants to know the impact successful bypasses



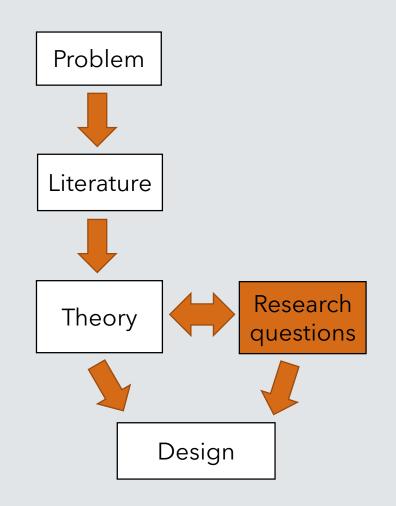
#### Literature:

- Only one study young people's experiences with judicial bypass
- Little to no empirical information about the judicial bypass process or the denials



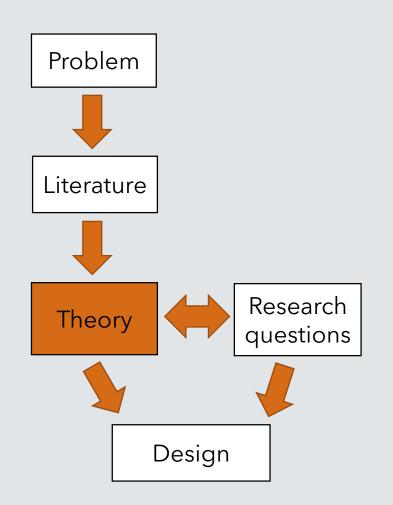
Research aims:

- Evaluate the impact of HB 3994 on minors' access to abortion in Texas
- Describe the judicial bypass process



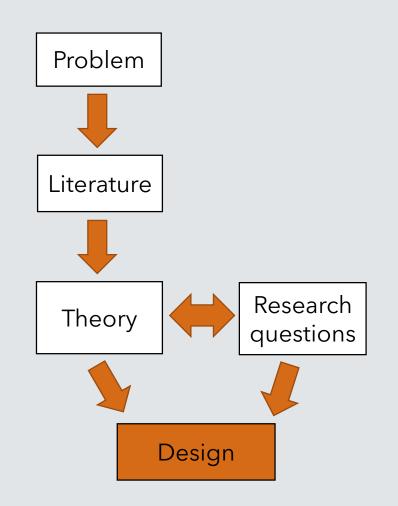
Theory:

- Stigma (Goffman, 1986)
- Nation-state power over bodies (Foucault, 1975, 1980)



Design:

• A partially mixed, concurrent, dominant qualitative status mixed design (Teddlie and Tashakkori, 2006)



## Implications:

- Sample selection
- IRB and minors

## Qualitative

- 20 young people who sought judicial bypass 2015-2016 in Texas
- 19 attorneys (collective 800 bypass cases)
- Semi-structured interviews
- Thematic analysis mostly inductive

## Quantitative

- Jane's Due Process attorney records
- State of Texas court data
- Records reconstruction of judicial bypass cases

## Access to Judicial Bypass for Abortion Care in Texas: Theory used to analyze & interpret results

- Young women experience judicial bypass as a deserved consequence
  - Malcolm Feely's (1992) "The process is the punishment"
- Attorneys are stigmatized and reinforce stigma
  - Stigma Power: Keep young women "in" (Link & Phalen, 2014)
  - Meso-level stigma: Between structural level (state) & individual level (Corrigan, 2004)
  - Preservation of "what's most at stake" (Yang et al., 2014)

#### Implications:

• Timing of results for each method

#### Denials of Judicial Bypass Petitions for Abortion in Texas Before and After the 2016 Bypass Process Change: 2001–2018

Amanda Jean Stevenson, PhD, Kate Coleman-Minahan, RN, PhD, FNP-BC, and Susan Hays, JD

*Objectives.* To estimate the percentage of Texas judicial bypass petitions for abortion denied annually from 2001 to 2018, and to assess whether that fraction changed after the state's 2016 bypass process change.

*Methods.* Because official statistics on Texas judicial bypass case counts and outcomes are only available for 2016 and later, we systematically reviewed monthly internal reports from Jane's Due Process (JDP), an organization providing legal representation to pregnant minors seeking bypass from 2001 to 2018. We report numbers and percentages of JDP cases denied for 2001 to 2018 and numbers and percentages of all cases denied from official Texas statistics for 2016 to 2018 (all available years).

*Results.* At least 1 denial occurred in 11 out of 15 years observed before the bypass law changed in Texas (percentages = 0%-6.2%). After Texas made its bypass process more restrictive, the percentage denied increased (from 2.8% in 2015 to 10.3% in 2016 among JDP cases).

*Conclusions.* We found the greatest percentages of judicial bypass for abortion petitions denied after the policy was implemented and after the bypass process changed. Judicial bypass for abortion may expose pregnant minors to judicial veto of their abortion decision. (*Am J Public Health.* Published online ahead of print January 16, 2020: e1–e3. doi:10.2105/AJPH.2019.305491) well-informed, (2) that notifying a parent would not be in their best interest, or (3) that notifying a parent may lead to physical, sexual, or emotional abuse. Texas law had a 2-business-day deadline between filing and ruling, unrestricted filing venue, strict confidentiality of bypass proceedings including allowing pseudonymous filing, and deemed petitions granted in absence of ruling.

In 2016, Texas enacted HB3994, requiring that petitioners demonstrate grounds 1 or 2 by a new standard of clear and convincing evidence, removing ground 3, extending the deadline to 5 business days, deeming cases missing the deadline denied, requiring petitions be filed in minors' home counties for counties with a population greater than 10 000, and weakening confidentiality by requiring name, address, and date of birth at filing.<sup>10</sup> We had 2 aims: first, to estimate the

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