Research Question
How do nonprofit organizations provide support for Hispanic/Latinx youth where state and federal policy fail to adequately do so?

Methodology

Read Secondary Literature
- ESL-Related Federal and State policy
- Peer-reviewed
- Scholarly articles
- News coverage

Background and Context
ESL Programs are falling short of expectations due to funding shortages and funding policy limitations that are unique to ESL program structure.

The suspension of DACA by the Trump Administration has denied the Dreamers of our state access to institutions of higher education.

Broader Implications
I have documented how local nonprofit organizations act in resistance to the denial of education equity for Hispanic/Latinx youth by providing supplementary services and political advocacy. One must not turn a blind eye to the implications of federal and state policies that impede North Carolinian residents from an equitable education. However, while recognizing the shortcomings of such policies is important, the focus of this thesis is truly the resiliency and empowerment that can be found in Hispanic/Latinx nonprofit organizations. The advocacy and support created through a variety of different nonprofit programs across nonprofit organizations throughout North Carolina embody resiliency and empowerment within Hispanic/Latinx communities.

Avenues for Future Research
As an Educator: How does ESL funding deficits impact student outcomes in the wake of technological innovation in the classroom and the development of new teachings strategies?
As a Geographer: How does ESL performance and local DACA support vary from state to state? Do the most under supported areas correlate with the presence of nonprofit organizations who offer similar services?
As a Political Scientist: How can the federal government hold states accountable to education equity laws? How can they hold themselves accountable throughout changing administrations?
As an Advocate for Social Justice: What about the populations who do not have access to the resources offered by nonprofit organizations who serve primarily Hispanic/Latinx youth?