

Gisselle Gonzalez-Perez

Service Planning Area 7

Placement Location: Whittier Public
Health Center



Gisselle Gonzalez-Perez is a striving junior at the Applied Technology Center High School in Montebello, CA. Being ranked at the top five at her school shows how education is paramount in Gisselle's life and strongly lives by Nelson Mandela quote, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." One of her biggest high school goals is to earn an Associate's Degree before she graduates. Gisselle plans on majoring in biology, and continuing her education to earn a Master's Degree in Public Health, and a Medical Degree to become a doctor.

Gisselle is actively involved within her school and community. She has recently been invited for her second time to attend HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America), State Leadership Conference in Sacramento, CA. She helps students in her school live a drug-free life and spreads awareness on the importance of mental health, as President of an organization called Friday Night Live as well as the National Alliance of Mental Illness. Any chance she gets, Gisselle enjoys volunteering at a local organization, Heart of Compassion, where she helps give food to low-income families.

In her free time, Gisselle enjoys visiting different beaches, going on road trips, and off-roading with her family. Gisselle is honored to be part of the Department of Public Health Youth Advisory Council. While being part of the Youth Advisory Council, Gisselle wants to improve the well-being of youth in Los Angeles. Her goal is to create youth-related projects that will impact her community by working alongside Public Health professionals and other youth.