My research will focus on the academic success between first-generation students compared to the academic success of non-first-generation students. My research design will be a non-experimental, correlational design that will be utilized via a survey made available to the students at California State University, Stanislaus through Qualtrics. I will be administering a survey to assess the correlation between the number of obstacles first-generation students face and their academic success. In addition, a second correlation will be used to assess the correlation between the number of obstacles non-first-generation students face and their academic success. It is necessary to research this topic so as to understand why social inequalities persist between these two groups.