Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Changes in abdominal obesity in university students stratified by Body Mass Index Changes in body fat in university students

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**Reviewer:** Tara Rendo-Urteaga

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Minor Essential Revisions

- English must be revised to eliminate possible grammatical or spelling errors and to conform to correct scientific English.
- When abbreviating a term, use the full term the first time you use it, followed immediately by the abbreviation in parentheses. Since then, use only the abbreviation. Please, check abbreviations in the manuscript.
- Please, describe in the method section the way for the selection of volunteers.
- Include in the results section the % of losses during the years, stratified by sex.
- More details on anthropometric measurements are needed. The cited reference regarding this (number 16) is about elite athlete, but the studied population is not. Please, revise.
- The tape used to measure circumferences should be non-elastic. Rewrite it.
- Please, remove the parenthesis located in the "units", for example (kg).
- Specify what is "F value" before use it.
- Include in the results section the percentage of university student who became overweight or obese in 2013.
- Page 7, lines 20 to 21 are in contrast with lines 4 to 7 in page 9.

**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

**Quality of written English:** Needs some language corrections before being published

**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

'I declare that I have no competing interests'