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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

Offering a diverse background of experience, training and achievements in the following areas:

- **Project Development & Management**
- **Training and Technical Assistance**
- **Nutrition & Public Health Policy**
- **Culturally Appropriate Intervention Design**
- **Grant Writing**
- **Community Based Participatory Research**
- **Curriculum Development & Instruction**
- **Scholarly Publications & Presentations**
- **International Public Health Service**
- **Health Promotion Workshops and Seminars**

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, ATHENS, GEORGIA

Doctor of Philosophy, (2008);

Foods and Nutrition, Concentration: Community Nutrition and Childhood Obesity

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

Master of Science, (2004);

Foods and Nutrition, Concentration: Community Nutrition, Registered and Licensed Dietitian

HOWARD UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Bachelor of Science, (1999); **Major: Biology**

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, COLLEGE OF FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES, DEPARTMENT OF FOODS AND NUTRITION, ATHENS, GEORGIA

Assistant Professor

2013-PRESENT

- Teaching both undergraduate service learning and graduate level food and nutrition education courses, both online and on campus
- Conducting early childhood obesity prevention research focusing on youth ages 0-5 using multidisciplinary research methods
- Developing and sustaining community partnerships for service learning with organizations such as the Athens Community Council on Aging, Easter Seals North Georgia, Clarke County School District and Office of Early Learning, UGA McPhaul Child Development Lab
- Cultivating Community Based Participatory Research partnerships with early childhood programs in Georgia
- Advising and mentoring graduate students focusing on research in childhood obesity prevention and increasing fruit and vegetable consumption in low income populations
- Coordinating speakers for weekly departmental seminars with seminar committee
- Serving as a member of the Maternal and Child Health, Obesity Instruction, and Community Health Teams for the UGA Obesity Initiative

Research Grants

2017-18 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Healthy Eating Research
\$190,000.00

Examining the Degree of Implementation of Healthy Beverage Policies in Child Care Programs in Georgia to Inform Health Promotion

This study will investigate implementation of the beverage practices and policies in child care programs in GA serving children ages 0-5 years. The study will also explore barriers and facilitators to the implementation of beverage policies.

Principal Investigator

2017-18 University of Georgia, College of Family and Consumer Sciences, Anne Sweaney Innovation Fund
\$5,000.00

Skills on Wheels: Use of a Mobile Kitchen to Enhance Nutrition Education

This project supports developing “*Skills on Wheels*” service learning through use of a Mobile Food Kitchen. The Mobile Food Kitchen will be used as a teaching tool to conduct innovative cooking demonstrations for the UGA and Athens community.

Principal Investigator

2016-17 United States Department of Agriculture, Georgia Department of Human Services, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program-Education

\$160,000.00

Healthy Child Care Georgia

This study tested the use of policy, systems, and environmental (PSE) approaches combined with direct classroom education for obesity prevention in Pre-Kindergarten classrooms in Clarke County, GA.

Co-Investigator

2015 United States Department of Agriculture, Georgia Department of Human Services, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program-Education

\$80,000.00

Healthy Child Care Georgia

This study piloted the use of policy, systems, and environmental (PSE) approaches combined with direct classroom education for obesity prevention in Head Start and Pre-Kindergarten classrooms in Clarke County, GA.

Co-Investigator

2014-15 University of Georgia Service Learning Fellows Program

\$2500.00

Freggie’s Green Machine

The goal of this study is to pilot the use of Freggie’s (fruits and veggies) mobile produce delivery to increase fruit and vegetable consumption among low income preschool children in Northeast Georgia.

Principal Investigator

2014 United States Department of Agriculture, Georgia Department of Human Services, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

\$80,000.00

Healthy Child Care Georgia

This study tested the feasibility of using policy, systems, and environmental (PSE) approaches combined with direct classroom education for obesity prevention in the child care setting in Clarke County, GA.

Co-Investigator

Fellowships

University of Georgia Service Learning Faculty Fellowship (2014-2015)

This one year Fellowship involves a competitive campus-wide selection process and includes a \$2,500 award to provide an opportunity for faculty to integrate service learning into their teaching, research, and public service work.

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, DIVISION OF NUTRITION, PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, AND OBESITY (DNPAO), ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Guest Researcher/Oak Ridge Institute for Science Education (ORISE) Fellow

2010-2013

- Engaged in technical assistance and training, content development, and management of First Lady Michelle Obama's Let's Move Child Care Initiative
- Led as primary trainer for Let's Move Child Care Technical Assistance Workshops on obesity prevention for state trainers and early care and education providers (NV, MN, NM, NJ, AZ, CA, HI, UT)
- Served as early care and education subject matter expert for state grantees and community partners and stakeholders
- Performed the monitoring and evaluation of policy and environmental change approaches for obesity prevention and control, with a particular focus on changes as they relate to early care and education settings
- Provided technical assistance to state grantees engaged in obesity prevention in early care and education
- Facilitated and organized monthly networking activities for early care and education stakeholders such as state grantees including networking calls and publication of monthly early care and education newsletter
- Facilitated monthly federal calls for the interagency Healthy Weight in Early Childhood Workgroup
- Coordinated key tasks in the development of the CDC State Action Guide to Address Obesity in Early Care and Education Settings, including developing and writing guide material, technical assistance, webinars, regional trainings, and in-state meetings

MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF COMMUNITY HEALTH AND POLICY, KELLOGG HEALTH SCHOLARS PROGRAM, COMMUNITY TRACK, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Postdoctoral Fellow

2008-2010

- Completed a two-year postdoctoral fellowship in both an academic and a community setting by working in partnership with Baltimore City Head Start Centers to promote nutrition and physical activity to Head Start students, parents, and staff members
- Provided technical assistance and training for obesity prevention to Baltimore City Head Start Center teachers and food service staff using adult learning principles
- Designed, created and implemented obesity prevention curriculum for pre-school children
- Developed skills and competencies in community-academic partnering and community-based participatory research
- Engaged in the application and translation of research to public health policy development and advocacy

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA/HEALTHY 4 LIFE PROJECT, ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Project Manager

2006-07

- Designed, managed, and organized all aspects of a theater-based nutrition and physical activity intervention for at-risk African American adolescents
- Led focus groups and key informant interviews with African-American students, parents, teachers, and administrators
- Developed and facilitated educational curriculum sessions translating nutrition and physical activity messages into a theater-based format

- Coordinated a theater production of the Healthy 4 Life All-Stars Show showcasing student talent through poetry, acting, dance, rap, and step featured in University of Georgia's *Georgia Magazine*

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA/NUTRITION THEATER PROJECT, ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Project Manager 2003-2008

- Conceptualized and spearheaded the development of the *Lil' Red Ridin' Thru 'Da Hood Project*, a childhood obesity prevention live theater show and follow-up program for low-income African-American children resulting in performances for thousands of children residing in Atlanta, GA, Athens, GA, Boston, MA, and Philadelphia, PA
- Managed, hired, and supervised program staff, actors, and creative theater team
- Conducted needs assessments, survey administration, data analysis, and process and outcome evaluation
- Produced the *Lil' Red Experience* DVD for program dissemination
- Organized collaborative partnerships among the University of Georgia, the Atlanta Public School System, and the Athens Area Boys and Girls Clubs

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA/ BRINGING IT HOME PROJECT, ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Project Assistant 2002-03

- Formalized content for a culturally appropriate nutrition education video production
- Implemented a nutrition and physical activity curriculum for low-income African American fourth graders in school-based setting
- Composed a nutrition "hip-hop" song, "*What's Best 4 Me!*" for project dissemination
- Choreographed and taught students "hip-hop" dance featured in program videos

FOODPLAY PRODUCTIONS, NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Summer Intern 2003

- Trained as an intern under the direction of Barbara Storper, MS, RD, Executive Director
- Assisted in the management and operations of a nutrition theater company
- Authored play script for a live, original nutrition theater play promoting nutrition and exercise for low-income African American children, entitled, *Lil' Red Ridin' Thru 'Da Hood*

NUTRITION PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY

MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF COMMUNITY HEALTH AND POLICY, KELLOGG HEALTH SCHOLARS PROGRAM, COMMUNITY TRACK, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Postdoctoral Fellow 2008-2010

- Developed policy brief about childhood obesity prevalence in Baltimore City Head Start preschool children
- Delivered policy brief to congressional representatives in Washington, DC and senate leaders in Annapolis, MD

CENTER FOR SCIENCE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST, WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

2002

Senior Intern

- Trained as a nutrition policy intern under the direction of Margo Wootan, DSc, Director of Nutrition Policy
- Coordinated grassroots campaign for nutrition policy funding
- Organized meetings with constituents and congressional leaders
- Enhanced knowledge of members of Congress and congressional staff about health and fitness policy concerns at a congressional health fair

GRANT WRITING

MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

2009

- Authored and awarded one of the first \$5,000 Head Start Body Start Grants in the nation to improve the play

space for preschool children at the Union Baptist Head Start Center (Principal Investigator)

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, ATHENS, GEORGIA

2004-2008

- Authored and awarded four Atlanta Falcons Youth Foundation Youth Fitness Grants for research project funding totaling over \$90,000 in support (Principal Investigator)
- Managed project budgets for each project grant awarded

INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH TRAINING

SERVICE LEARNING, GHANA, WEST AFRICA

2007

- Serviced malnourished children, pregnant women, HIV/AIDS patients, and nutrition and healthcare patients residing in Ghana, West Africa (i. e. Accra, Akuapim, Mampong)
- Assisted undergraduate students during a six-week hands-on experience in public health as a Nutrition/Dietetics and Public Health Program Assistant
- Demonstrated an understanding of core theories, principles, and practices of dietetic counseling in deprived areas of Ghana through conducting needs assessments and in-depth interviews with mothers of young children

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT AND INSTRUCTION

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, ATHENS, GEORGIA

Invited Guest Lecturer

2011-2013

- Lectured on childhood obesity research, programs, and initiatives for UGA Nutrition Intervention Course for undergraduate and graduate students for four semesters with excellent student evaluations (Dr. R. Mullis-Instructor)

MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF COMMUNITY HEALTH AND POLICY, KELLOGG HEALTH SCHOLARS PROGRAM, COMMUNITY TRACK, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Postdoctoral Fellow

2008-2010

- Created and implemented a preschool classroom, nutrition and physical activity curriculum, *Lil' Lexie's Food and Fun Quest*, for minority Head Start children
- Developed and implemented a six-week instructional nutrition and physical activity workshops series for Head Start parents and staff members

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, ATHENS, GEORGIA

Tutor and Mentor

2006-2008

- Instructed University of Georgia athletes as an academic tutor in the areas of nutrition, health, and food science
- Mentored and led student athletes in the coordination of schedules and coursework completion

SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS

Cotwright, C.J., Bales, D. W., Lee, J., Celestin, N., Parrott, K., Olubajo, B., (2017). Like Peas and Carrots: Combining Wellness Policy Implementation with Classroom Education for Obesity Prevention in the Child Care Setting. Public Health Reports, 132, 74S-80S.

Barr-Anderson, DJ, Singleton, C, **Cotwright, CJ**, Floyd, MF, Affuso, O. Outside-of-School Time Obesity Prevention and Treatment Interventions in African American Youth. Obesity Reviews. 15 S4 (2014): 26-45.

Reynolds, M, **Cotwright, CJ**, Polhamus, B, Chang, D, Gertel-Rosenberg, AS. Obesity Prevention in the Early Care and Education Setting: Successful Initiatives Across a Spectrum of Opportunities. Journal of Law Medicine & Ethics Supplement. 41.4 (2013): 8-18.

Jackson, CJ, Mullis, RM, and Hughes, M. Development of a Theater-Based Nutrition and Physical Activity Intervention for Low-Income, Urban, African American Adolescents. Progress in Community Health Partnerships: Research, Education, and Action 4.2 (2010): 89-98.

Caree Jackson and Chandra Jackson. "Podcast Interview Transcript." Progress in Community Health Partnerships: Research, Education, and Action 4.2 (2010): 99-104.

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2013). Addressing Childhood Obesity in the Early Care and Education Setting: A Guide for Action. (2013-Task Order 200-2007-20009/003). Atlanta, Georgia.

Centers for Disease Control Prevention. (2013). CDC Water Access Toolkit: Early Care and Education Setting. Atlanta, Georgia.

United States Department of Agriculture. (2013). Nutrition and Wellness Tips for Young Children: Provider Handbook for the Child and Adult Care Food Program: Screen Time. Washington, DC.

Centers for Disease Control Prevention. (2010-2013). (Primary Author: Jackson, CJ.) Early Care and Education News Blast, Monthly Newsletter. Atlanta, Georgia.

SELECTED SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

National

Welch, C. and **Cotwright, C.J.** (2018). *Be Smart, Eat Smart: A Pollinated Foods Garden Curriculum to Improve Attitudes towards Fruits and Vegetables among Children*. American Public Gardens Association Conference, Anaheim, CA (Oral Presentation).

Cotwright, C.J., Celestin, N., Birch, L. (2018). *Examining the Degree of Implementation of Healthy Beverages in Child Care Programs in Georgia to Inform Health Promotion*. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Healthy Eating Research Grantee Meeting, Nashville, TN (Oral Presentation).

Bales, D. W., & **Cotwright, C. J.** (2017). *Healthy Child Care Georgia: Evaluating the Effectiveness of a Multi-Dimensional Collaborative Outreach Project to Improve Nutrition and Physical Activity in ECE: Results from the Healthy Child Care Georgia Project*. National Association for the Education of Young Children Research, Atlanta, GA (Oral Presentation).

Cotwright, C. J. (2017). *The Use of Entertainment Education to Teach Nutrition Messages to Preschool Children: A Feasibility Study*. Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior Conference, Washington, DC (Poster Session).

Cotwright, C. J. (2017). *Taste and See: Improving Willingness to Try Fruit and Vegetables Among Low-Income Preschool Children*. Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior Conference, Washington, DC (Oral Presentation).

Cotwright, C. J., Bales, D. W., Akin, J., & Lee, J. S. (2017). *A Community –Based Model to Improve Implementation of Wellness Policies and Increase Nutrition Education in the ECE Setting*. Childhood Obesity Conference, San Diego, CA (Poster Session).

Cotwright, C. J., & Birch, L.B. (2017). *Examining the Degree of Implementation of Healthy Beverage Policies in Child-Care Programs in Georgia to Inform Health Promotion*. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Healthy Eating Research Grantee Meeting, Saint Paul, MN (Poster Session).

Cotwright, C. J., & Alvis, C. (2016). *Freggie and Friends: An Assessment of the Use of Characters to Improve Willingness to Try Fruits and Vegetables among Young Children.* National Pediatric Research Forum for Medical Students, Orlando, FL (Poster Session).

Cotwright, C. J., Bales, D. W., & Lee, J. S. (2016). *Healthy Child Care Georgia: Improving Teacher Self-Efficacy to Implement Wellness Policies and Increase Wellness Education.* Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior Conference, San Diego, CA (Poster Session).

Bales, D. W., & **Cotwright, C. J. (2016).** *Healthy Child Care Georgia: Evaluating the Effectiveness of a Collaborative Project to Improve Nutrition and Physical Activity in ECE.* Administration of Children and Families National Research Conference on Early Childhood, Washington, DC. (Poster Session).

Cotwright, C. J. (2016). *The Use of Entertainment Education to Teach Nutrition Messages to Preschool Children: A Feasibility Study.* 7th African American Collaborative Obesity Research Network (AACORN) National Workshop, Philadelphia, PA (Poster Session).

Cotwright, C. J. (2015). *Childhood Obesity Prevention: Building Blocks for a Healthy Future.* US Public Health Service Scientific Training and Symposium-Dietitian Day, Atlanta, GA. (Poster Session).

Cotwright, C. J. (2014). *Theater Based Interventions to Prevent Obesity in African American Youth.* African American Collaborative Obesity Research Network Conference, Charlotte, NC. (Poster Session).

Lee, JS, Stotz, S, Hibbs, J, Bales, D, **Cotwright C. J. (2015).** *University of Georgia Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education Program.* National Health Outreach Conference, Atlanta, GA. (Oral Presentation).

Regional

Cotwright, C.J. (2014). *ABCs of Obesity Prevention in Early Childhood: Bridging Policy and Practice.* Southern Obesity Summit, Louisville, KY. (Poster Session).

Cotwright, C.J. (2014). *Childhood Obesity Research Opportunities.* University of Tennessee Knoxville Bridge Symposium. Knoxville, TN. (Oral Presentation).

Local/University

Cotwright, C.J., Celestin, N., Birch, L. (2018). *Implementation of Health Beverage Practices among Child Care Programs in Georgia.* Georgia Clinical and Translational Science Alliance Conference, Braselton, GA (Poster Session).

Cotwright, C. J. (2017). Georgia Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Conference Keynote Speaker. *Innovative Solutions for Health Equity in Diverse Populations*, Duluth, GA (Oral Presentation).

Cotwright, C. J., Tyus, E., Motoyasu, N., Eckhardt, L., & Lobene, A. (2016). *Freggie's Green Machine: The Use of Entertainment Education to Teach Nutrition Messages to Preschool Children.* UGA Center for Undergraduate Research Symposium, Athens, GA (Poster Session).

Cotwright, C. J., & Alvis, C. (2016). *An Assessment of the Use of Characters to Improve Willingness to Try Fruits and Vegetables among Young Children.* 6th Annual Medical Scholars Research Day, Augusta University-Medical College of Georgia, Athens, GA (Poster Session).

Eckhardt LM, Lobene AJ, **Cotwright C.J.** (2015). *Freggie's Green Machine: The Development of an Entertainment Education Nutrition Intervention for Low-Income Preschool Children*. UGA Center for Undergraduate Research Symposium, Athens, GA (Poster Session).

SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

- University of Georgia College of Family and Consumer Sciences Chris Todd Outreach Award (2018)
- University of Georgia College of Family and Consumer Sciences, FACS 100 Honoree (2017)
- University of Georgia College of Family and Consumer Sciences Magazine, Featured Covered Article on Scholarship, Research, and Outreach (Fall 2017)
- University of Georgia, Center for Undergraduate Research, Best Poster Presentation, CURO Symposium, (2017)
- Georgia Trend Magazine 40 Under 40 Honoree (2016)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention William Dietz Nutrition Award Nominee (2015)
- Diverse Magazine Emerging Scholars Nominee (Scholarship/Research). Diverse Issues in Higher Education (2014)
- University of Georgia Alumni Association Top 40 Under 40 Award Recipient (2012)
- University of Georgia College of Family and Consumer Sciences Alumni Pacesetter Award Recipient (2012)
- Top 25 Women of Atlanta Award Recipient (Rolling Out Magazine 2011)
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation New Connections Symposium Selected Attendee (2009)
- University of Georgia Dissertation Completion Fellowship (2007-08)
- Sally Schlye Stith International Study Award (2007)

SELECTED TRAININGS

- Digital Storytelling Training, Center for Digital Storytelling (April-May 2014)
- W.K. Kellogg Health Scholars Annual Networking Meeting, Washington, DC (June 2011, June 2012)
- I am Moving I am Learning Training: Obesity Initiative for early childhood led by Head Start (January 2011)
- Nutrition and Physical Activity Self-Assessment for Child Care (NAPSACC) Training, Web-based (December 2010)
- Applied Approach to NVivo 8.0, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (November 2010)
- Morgan State University Data Analysis Using STATA and SAS Summer Institute (August, 2010)
- African American Collaborative Obesity Research Network (AACORN) Invited Workshop, New Affiliate, University of Pennsylvania (August 2010)
- Community Health Scholars Policy and Advocacy Training (July 2010)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
- American Public Health Association
- Society for Nutrition Education
- Council on Black Health (formerly African American Collaborative Obesity Research Network)
- International Society of Technology in Education
- National Association for the Education of Young Children
- UGA William A. and Barbara R. Owens Institute for Behavioral Research

COMMITTEES AND WORKGROUPS

- National Farm to School Network Advisory Board (2017-Present)
- Food Bank of Northeast Georgia Board of Directors (2017-Present)
- United States Department of Agriculture, Grant Review Panel (2017)
- RWJF ECE Workgroup Call Featured Speaker (2017)

- Southern Obesity Summit Planning Committee (2017)
- National Academy of Medicine, Strategies to Limit Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Consumption in Young Children Workshop (2017)
- University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition External Advisory Board (2017-Present)
- UGA Office of the Vice President for Instruction Faculty Advisory Board (2016-Present)
- Department of Foods and Nutrition Alumni Relations Committee, Chair (2016-Present)
- Easter Seals North Georgia Policy Council (2015-Present)
- Georgia SHAPE Initiative Evaluation Team (2014-Present)
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Healthy Eating Research Early Care and Education Research to Practice Workgroup (2013-Present)
- UGA Initiative Maternal and Child Health and Community Health Team (2013-Present)
- Healthy Kids, Healthy Future National Steering Committee (2010-2013)
- First Lady Michelle Obama's *Let's Move! Child Care* Initiative Workgroup (2010-2013)

SERVICE & COMMUNITY ACTIVISM

- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, *Chopped: Cooking for Health and Wellness*, Presenter (2017)
- *Aw Shucks Day*, Service-Learning Outreach with Clarke County School District Office of Early Learning (2017)
- Food Bank of Northeast Georgia, *Mobile School Food Pantry Service-Learning Outreach* (2015-Present)
- UGA Department of Foods and Nutrition Alumni Committee Chair (2016-Present)
- *TED x UGA* Featured Speaker (2016)
- Food Waste and Hunger Summit Featured Session Speaker (2015)
- UGA Service Learning Fellow (2014-2015)
- Faculty Advisor for Fighting Against Youth Obesity Student Organization (2014-Present)
- Whatever it Takes Afterschool Mentoring Program Spring Banquet Speaker (April 2015)
- UGA Dinner with a Dozen Dawgs Alumni Speaker (February 2013)
- Healthy Lifestyles Healthy Kids (Nonprofit), Team Registered Dietitian (2010-Present)
- CDC DNPAO Obesity Prevention Branch Community Service Coordinator (2012-2013)
- UGA College of Family and Consumer Sciences (FACS) Alumni Board (2005-2008) (2012-2013)
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Atlanta Suburban Alumnae Chapter, Physical and Mental Health Committee Co-Chair (2002-06); Member (2010-Present)

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

List of Courses Taught	
FDNS 4660/6660S: Nutrition Education Methods	Service Learning
FDNS 6660E: Nutrition Education Methods (School Nutrition Directors)	Online Lecture
FYOS 1001: First Year Odyssey: Chopped	Seminar
FDNS 3010: Special Problems in Foods and Nutrition	Directed Study
FDNS 7000 Master's Research	Directed Study
FDNS 7300 Master's Thesis Research	Master's Thesis
FDNS 8580 Food and Nutrition Topics	Lecture

Directed Study of Graduate Students			
Student	Level/Years	Description of Thesis/Dissertation	Status
Camaria Welch*	MS/2017-Present	<i>Bee Smart. Eat Smart Project: The Development of a Garden Curriculum and Cooking Course to Increase Fruit and Vegetable Consumption among Children</i>	Current
Alexis Carraway*	MS/2017-Present	<i>Developing an E-Learning Beverage Policy Training for Early Care and Education Providers in Georgia</i>	Current
Kathryn Kear*	Accelerated MS/2017-Present	<i>Identifying Disparities in of Food and Beverage Policy Implementation among Child Care Programs in Georgia</i>	Current
Hannah Urban*	MS-DI/2016-Present	<i>Guided Coaching to Improve Health Behavior Modeling Among Child Care Providers</i>	Current
Fabiola de Jesus Jimenez*	MS/2016-Present	<i>Mobile Intervention to Improve Fruit and Vegetable Intake among Mothers of Young Children</i>	Current
Sarah Stotz	PhD/2013-2017	<i>Development of UGA SNAP-Ed Food E-Talk Online Nutrition Education</i>	Completed
Haley Bradley*	MS-DI/2015-2017	<i>Healthy Beverage Policy Implementation in GA Child Care Programs</i>	Completed
Alicia Holloway-Horticulture	MS/2014-2016	<i>PhotoVoice for Empowering Students through School Gardens</i>	Completed
Nathalie Celestin-Public Health	MPH/2014-2016	<i>Improving Self Efficacy of Child Care Providers to Teach Nutrition Messages</i>	Completed
Sara Pritschet*	MS/2013-2015	<i>My Plate is Georgia Grown</i>	Completed
Sarah Elmer	MS/2013-2015	<i>Healthy Eating Promotion through Social Media</i>	Completed
Katie Huffman	MS/2013-2015	<i>Food Intake Among Food Insecure Older Adults</i>	Completed
*Committee Chair			

Student	Directed Study	Independent Work
Andrea Lobene	MS, Dietetic Intern	Assisted with curriculum design and performance for Freggie's Green Machine research project; Assisted with menu revisions and recipe testing at UGA McPhaul Child Development Lab
Nicole Motoyasu	MS Candidate, Dietetic Intern	Assisted with curriculum design and implementation of Freggie's Green Machine pilot research project;
Taylor Newman	MS Candidate, Dietetic Intern	Leading food demonstrations at NEGA Food Bank Mobile School Food Pantry; Assisting with community needs assessment
Rebecca Gould	MS Candidate, Dietetic Intern	Leading food demonstrations at NEGA Food Bank Mobile School Food Pantry; Assisting with community needs assessment
Laura Eckhardt	UGA Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunities (CURO)	Assisted with curriculum design and performance for Freggie's Green Machine research project; Assisted with menu revisions and recipe testing at UGA McPhaul Child Development Lab

Emily Tyus	Undergraduate, CURO	Presented research poster at CURO Symposium on the Freggie Green Machine feasibility study
Courtney Alvis	UGA/Augusta Medical Student Research Program	Presented research posters at a local and National Medical Conference on Use of Characters to Improve Willingness to Try Fruits and Vegetables
Camaria Welch	Undergraduate, CURO	Presented research poster at CURO Symposium on a Needs Assessment of the Use of a Mobile Food Pantry in the Child Care Setting
Nicole Landry	Undergraduate, CURO	Leading food demonstrations at NEGA Food Bank Mobile School Food Pantry; Assisting with community needs assessment; Scalability planning for Freggie's Green Machine research project
Molly Eason	Undergraduate Practicum	Leading food demonstrations at Clarke County School District School Lunch Challenge
Hallie Perkins-Public Health	PhD Candidate, Mentee	Leading food demonstrations at NEGA Food Bank Mobile School Food Pantry; Assisting with community needs assessment