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Current Employment

University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia

Associate Professor of Housing Policy with Tenure | August 2026–Present
Department of Financial Planning, Housing, & Consumer Economics
College of Family & Consumer Sciences

Affiliate Faculty: Institute of Gerontology, Owens Institute for Behavioral Research

Previous Employment

University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia

Associate Professor with Tenure | August 2020–July 2026
Department of Health Policy & Management
College of Public Health

University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia

Assistant Professor | August 2014–July 2020
Department of Health Policy & Management, College of Public Health

University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia

Visiting Assistant Professor of Policy | August 2013–May 2014
Department of Public Administration & Policy, School of Public & International Affairs

The J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership, Athens, GA

Doctoral Fellow | July 2009–June 2013
Public Service & Outreach, University of Georgia

Education

Ph.D., Public Administration and Policy | August 2013

School of Public & International Affairs

University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia

Master of Public Administration | May 2009

University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia

Bachelor of Arts | May 2007

Converse College, Spartanburg, South Carolina

Majors: History and Political Science, *Cum Laude*

Awards & Recognition

- **Spirit of Athens Award Winner**, Athens Area Chamber of Commerce (2025)
- **University of Georgia Career Center Award** for Contributing to Career Development of UGA Students (2015, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024)
- **TEDx UGA Presenter**, "Beyond the Status Quo: 3 Steps to Strengths-Based Community Engagement" (2019)
- **Envision Athens Good Neighbor Award** (2019)
- **College of Public Health Excellence in Teaching Award** (2019)
- **National Award of Excellence**, University Economic Development Association (2018)
- **College of Public Health Excellence in Service Award** (2018)
- **Department of Public Administration & Policy Teaching Award** (2014)
- **National Policy Challenge Semi-Finalist**, University of Pennsylvania Fels Institute of Government (2014)
- **National Policy Challenge Winner**, University of Pennsylvania Fels Institute of Government (2015, 2017)

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Published

1. Gibbs, D. J., Bagwell Adams, G., Tiller, L., Turpin, R., & Meyers, D. (2026). Education and Training Voucher use among youth aging out of foster care: The role of foster care experiences. *Families in Society*.
2. Xu, Q., Sung, M. H., Chen, Z., Rajbhandari-Thapa, J., Bagwell Adams, G., Khan, M. M., Shen, Y., Song, X., & Song, S. (2026). Association between cumulative body mass index and cognitive decline: Evidence from a 24-year cohort study. Preprint available at Research Square. <https://doi.org/10.21203/rs.3.rs-6442210/v1>

3. Gibbs, D. J., Bagwell Adams, G., Tiller, L., Turpin, R. (2026). Longitudinal Analysis of Education Training Vouchers Utilization and Post-Secondary Education Enrollment Among Youth Experiencing Foster Care, 2019-2023. *Journal of Child Welfare*
4. Blocker, K., Baskam, R., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2026). Scoping review of community health needs assessment (CHNA) prioritization methods. *Journal of Public Health Management & Practice*.
5. Song, S., Sung, M. H., Diaz, D., Lin, Z., Tate, A. D., Chen, Z., Rajbhandari-Thapa, J., Bagwell Adams, G., Khan, M. M., Shen, Y., Renzi-Hammond, L. M., & Jin, Y. (2025). Long-term cumulative physical activity associated with less cognitive decline: Evidence from a 16-year cohort study. *Journal of Prevention of Alzheimer's Disease*, 12(6), 100194. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tjpad.2025.100194>
6. Bagwell Adams, G., Turpin, R., Tiller, L., Gibbs, D. J., & Meyers, D. (2024). Longitudinal analysis of Education and Training Voucher utilization and postsecondary enrollment among youth experiencing foster care, 2019–2023. *Journal of Public Child Welfare*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15548732.2024.2437837>
7. Bowie, M., Bagwell Adams, G., Abraham, A., Murrow, J., Bales, D., & Scheyett, A. (2024). A qualitative study of community priorities, attitudes, and beliefs regarding opioid misuse in rural Georgia. *Advances in Social Sciences Research Journal*, 11(12), 244–254. <https://doi.org/10.14738/assrj.1112.17980>
8. Abraham, A. J., Steuart, S., Lawler, E. C., Shone, H., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2024). Concurrent prescription fills of opioids and benzodiazepines among postpartum women during COVID-19. *AJPM Focus*, 3(4), 100251. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.focus.2024.100251>
9. Bagwell Adams, G., Steuart, S., Lawler, E. C., Shone, H., & Abraham, A. J. (2024). Benzodiazepine increases for insured postpartum women during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Archives of Women's Mental Health*, 27(5), 819–822. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00737-024-01488-4>
10. Bramlett, M., Lysaught, M., McKinney, S., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2023). Community wellbeing through data-informed place-based philanthropy: A case study of the Athens Wellbeing Project. *Local Development & Society*, 4(2), 233–247. <https://doi.org/10.1080/26883597.2023.2203054>
11. Steuart, S. R., Lawler, E. C., Bagwell Adams, G., Shone, H., & Abraham, A. J. (2023). Comparison of postpartum opioid prescriptions before versus during the COVID-19 pandemic. *JAMA Network Open*, 6(4), e236438. <https://doi.org/10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2023.6438>
12. Abraham, A. J., Lawler, E. C., Harris, S. J., Bagwell Adams, G., & Bradford, W. D. (2022). Spillover of Medicaid expansion to prescribing opioid use disorder medications in Medicare Part D. *Psychiatric Services*, 73(4), 418–424. <https://doi.org/10.1176/appi.ps.202000948>

13. Shannon, J., Abraham, A. J., Bagwell Adams, G., & Hauer, M. (2021). Racial disparities in COVID-19 mortality in Georgia: Spatial analysis by age using excess deaths. *Social Science & Medicine*, 292, 114549. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2021.114549>
14. Chen, Z., Zhang, Y., Luo, H., Zhang, D., Rajbhandari-Thapa, J., Wang, Y., Wang, R., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2021). Narrowing but persisting gender pay gap among employees of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 2010–2018. *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*, 61(4), 495–505. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.amepre.2021.03.028>
15. Abraham, A. J., Yarbrough, C. R., Harris, S. J., Bagwell Adams, G., & Andrews, C. M. (2021). Medicaid expansion and availability of opioid medications in the specialty substance use disorder treatment system. *Psychiatric Services*, 72(2), 148–155. <https://doi.org/10.1176/appi.ps.202000160>
16. Ebell, M., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2020). Mandatory social distancing associated with increased doubling time: An example using hyperlocal data. *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*, 59(3), 455–457. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.amepre.2020.04.006>
17. Abraham, A. J., Bagwell Adams, G., & Yarbrough, C. (2020). Effects of Medicaid expansion on the availability of opioid medications are concentrated in opioid treatment programs. *Psychiatric Services*, 71(10), 1069–1072. <https://doi.org/10.1176/appi.ps.202000001>
18. Yarbrough, C., Abraham, A. J., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2020). Relationship of county opioid epidemic severity to changes in access to substance use disorder treatment, 2009–2017. *Psychiatric Services*, 71(9), 887–893. <https://doi.org/10.1176/appi.ps.201900528>
19. Abraham, A. J., Bagwell Adams, G., Bradford, A. C., & Bradford, W. D. (2019). County-level access to opioid use disorder medications in Medicare Part D, 2010–2015. *Health Services Research*, 54(2), 390–398. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1475-6773.13113>
20. Harris, S., Bowie, M., Johnston, J., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2019). Association between household asthma prevalence and indoor air quality: Evidence from the Athens Wellbeing Project. *Journal of the Georgia Public Health Association*, 7(1), 43–49.
21. Bradford, A. C., Abraham, A. J., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2018). Opioid death rate acceleration in jurisdictions legalizing marijuana use—Reply. *JAMA Internal Medicine*, 178(9), 1286. <https://doi.org/10.1001/jamainternmed.2018.3753>
22. Bradford, A. C., Bradford, W. D., Abraham, A. J., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2018). Association between U.S. medical cannabis laws and opioid prescribing in the Medicare Part D population. *JAMA Internal Medicine*, 178(5), 667–672. <https://doi.org/10.1001/jamainternmed.2017.6766>
Note: One of the journal's top five articles of 2018; Altmetric score: 1974.

23. Shannon, J., Bagwell Adams, G., Shannon, S., Lee, J. S., & Yang, J. (2018). Do store chains matter? Changing proximity to SNAP retailers during the Great Recession. *Social Science & Medicine*, 209, 44–52.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2018.05.029>
24. Shannon, S., Bagwell Adams, G., Shannon, J., & Lee, J. S. (2018). Effects of benefit increases on SNAP enrollment by race, ethnicity, and metropolitan status in Georgia counties. *Journal of Hunger & Environmental Nutrition*, 13(2), 159–178.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/19320248.2017.1315330>
25. Cherry, S., Robinson, A., Elliott, M., Davis, M., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2017). Qualitative results of a rural community health needs assessment. *Journal of Social, Behavioral, and Health Sciences*, 11(1), 62–77.
26. Abraham, A. J., Bagwell Adams, G., & Jawardhana, J. (2017). Availability of tobacco cessation services in substance use disorder treatment programs: Impact of state tobacco control policy. *Addictive Behaviors*, 71, 12–17.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.addbeh.2017.02.007>
27. Winkelman, T., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2017). Brother, can you spare a life? Official development aid and maternal and child health outcomes. *International Journal of Public Health*, 62(2), 231–240. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00038-017-0940-2>
28. Bagwell Adams, G., Lee, J. S., Bhargava, V., & Super, D. (2017). Offsetting the effects of medical expenses on older adults' household food budgets: An analysis of the standard medical expense deduction. *The Gerontologist*, 57(4), 649–658.
<https://doi.org/10.1093/geront/gnw126>
29. Shannon, J., Shannon, S., Bagwell Adams, G., & Lee, J. S. (2016). Growth in SNAP retailers was associated with increased client enrollment in Georgia in the Great Recession. *Health Affairs*, 35(11), 2100–2108.
<https://doi.org/10.1377/hlthaff.2016.0324>
30. LaTourous, N., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2016). The association of stress with anxiety and depression: Evidence from a community health needs assessment. *Journal of the Georgia Public Health Association*, 6(2), 236–245.
<https://doi.org/10.21633/jgpha.6.2s09>
31. Bagwell Adams, G. (2016). The association between cigarette smoking and participation in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. *American Journal of Health Promotion*, 32(2), 294–300. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0890117116668481>
32. Robinson, A., Cherry, S., Elliott, M., Davis, M., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2016). Leveraging university–community partnerships in rural Georgia: A community health needs assessment template for hospitals. *Journal of the Georgia Public Health Association*, 5(4), 365–372. <https://doi.org/10.21663/jgpha.5.409>
33. Bagwell Adams, G., & Murcia, A. (2016). The association between obesity, anxiety, and depression. *Journal of the Georgia Public Health Association*, 5(3), 274–278.

Under Review

34. Baskam, Rebecca & Bagwell Adams, G. (under review). Transportation Access & SNAP Uptake: Intersectionality of Social Determinants of Health in Northeast Georgia. *Journal of Hunger & Environmental Nutrition*.
35. Bagwell Adams, G., Baskam, R., & Lysaught, M. (under review). Evaluating Community Resilience Model (CRM) training as a strategy for building a more resilient Georgia. *Journal of the Georgia Public Health Association*.

Published Reports

Note: Since the inception of Athens Wellbeing Project, we have published six series of white papers, 13 one-page topical briefs, 3 program evaluations, the strategic plans for Envision Athens and Resilient Northeast Georgia, 6 regional Community Health Needs Assessments spanning 17 counties, and 27 domain reports. Below are a sample of the most recent published reports for nonprofits and public partners.

1. Athens Wellbeing Project 4.0 Findings Report (2025, September).
<https://www.athenswellbeingproject.org>
2. Greene Wellbeing Project. (2025, August).
3. 2025 St. Mary's Community Health Needs Assessment. (2025, January).
4. 2025 Good Samaritan Community Health Needs Assessment. (2025, January).
5. 2025 Sacred Heart Community Health Needs Assessment. (2025, January).
6. Northeast Georgia Wellbeing Project Final Report. (2024, April).
<https://www.jacksonemc.com/community/nega-wellbeing-project>
7. Housing in Athens, GA: Evidence from Athens Wellbeing Project 3.0. (2023, January).
<http://www.athenswellbeingproject.org/awp-30-reports>
8. Food Insecurity in Athens, GA. (2023).
<http://www.athenswellbeingproject.org/awp-30-reports>
9. Community Safety in Athens, GA. (2023).
<http://www.athenswellbeingproject.org/awp-30-reports>
10. Civic Vitality in Athens, GA. (2023).
<http://www.athenswellbeingproject.org/awp-30-reports>
11. Education & Workforce Development in Athens, GA. (2023).
<http://www.athenswellbeingproject.org/awp-30-reports>
12. Health & Wellbeing in Athens, GA: Evidence from Athens Wellbeing Project 3.0. (2023, January). <http://www.athenswellbeingproject.org/awp-30-reports>
13. Envision Athens Action Plan. (2023, January).
<http://www.athenswellbeingproject.org/awp-30-reports>

14. AWP White Paper Series (published in partnership with Health Policy & Management 7400 course, consisting of thirteen student-led published white papers). <http://www.athenswellbeingproject.org/white-papers>
15. Broyard, F., Hui, E., Bagwell Adams, G., & Shannon, J. (2015). 2015 Community Health Needs Assessment. Final report for Athens Regional Healthcare System.
16. Bagwell Adams, G., Lee, J. S., Bhargava, V., & Johnson, M. A. (2015, January). SNAP Standard Medical Expense Deduction: Research & Recommendations. Presented to the Georgia Food Stamp Workgroup and the Georgia Department of Family & Children's Services.
17. Bagwell Adams, G., Lee, J. S., Bhargava, V., & Johnson, M. A. (2015, April). SNAP Standard Medical Expense Deduction, Part II: Research & Recommendations. Presented to the Georgia Food Stamp Workgroup and the Georgia Department of Family & Children's Services.
18. Meyers, D., Tiller, L., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2015–present). Education & Training Voucher Final Program Report. Presented to the Georgia Department of Family & Children Services. *Report written and presented annually from 2015 to present.*

Grants & Contracts Awarded

Nothing About Us Without Us: Centering Youth Voice To Understand Educational Trajectories of Youth Experiencing Foster Care

William T. Grant Institutional Challenge Grant

Funded: August 1, 2026–December 31, 2029

Mid-Career Fellow & Co-Investigator

Prioritizing the Building Blocks for Co-Regulation and Language Development with Families of Hospitalized Newborns: Nurturing a Community of Practice for Home Visitors

Sandra Dunagan Deal Center for Literacy

Funded: February 1, 2025–April 1, 2026 (\$50,000)

Principal Investigator

Multi-level Predictors of Structural Racism and Discrimination and Associations with Health and Well-being Across the Life Course

PI: Allan Tate

Funded: April 1, 2022–March 31, 2027 (\$1,381,720)

Co-Investigator

Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing in Clarke County, Georgia

Department of Housing & Community Development, ACCGov

Funded: July 1, 2024–May 1, 2025 (\$40,000)

Principal Investigator

The Effect of Medical Cannabis Laws on Health Care Use in Insured Populations

National Institutes of Health, National Institute on Drug Abuse

Funded: July 1, 2019–April 30, 2025 (\$2,907,757)

Co-Investigator

Athens Wellbeing Project

Athens Area Community Foundation

Funded: September 1, 2018–present (\$600,000)

Principal Investigator

Program Evaluation of the Education & Training Voucher Program for Foster Youth Attending Postsecondary Education

Department of Family & Children Services

Funded: August 1, 2015–June 30, 2024 (ongoing contract)

Evaluator

Wellbeing in Fulton & DeKalb Counties

Georgia Municipal Association

Funded: July 1, 2022–December 31, 2024 (\$168,000)

Principal Investigator

Opioid Crisis in Rural Georgia: Rural Health & Safety Grant

United States Department of Agriculture

Funded: July 1, 2019–September 30, 2021 (\$300,000)

Co-Investigator

Innovation in Delivery of Prenatal Care to Women with Opioid Use Disorder: The Centering Pregnancy Model

National Institutes of Health via the Georgia Clinical Translational Science Alliance (CTSA)

Funded: April 1, 2019–June 30, 2021 (\$20,000)

Co-Principal Investigator with Dr. Rachel Fusco

Athens Wellbeing Project: Community Assessment

Clarke County School District

Funded: July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017 (\$87,563)

Principal Investigator

The Longitudinal Impact of SNAP Enrollment and Spending on Community Health and Well-being in Rural and Urban Georgia during the Great Recession

United States Department of Agriculture Ridge Center Grant

Funded: January 1, 2015–January 30, 2016 (\$33,136)

Co-Investigator

Selected Invited Presentations at Professional Meetings (2015–Present)

Bagwell Adams, G. (2025, January). Health in All Policies and using wellbeing data in local government. Workshop presented at Georgia Municipal Association Annual Elected Officials Training Day, Atlanta, GA.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2024, November). Improving access to postsecondary education through the federal Chaffee program. Paper presented at American Society of Higher Education, Minneapolis, MN.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2024, June). Health in All Policies and using wellbeing data in local government. Workshop presented at Georgia Municipal Association Annual Elected Officials Training Day, Savannah, GA.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2024, April). Health in All Policies and using wellbeing data in local government. Workshop presented at Georgia Municipal Association Annual Elected Officials Training Day.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2023). Health in All Policies and using wellbeing data in local government. Workshop presented at Georgia Municipal Association Annual Elected Officials Training Day.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2022). Healthcare access in the South. Panel presentation at Association of Healthcare Journalism, Chattanooga, TN.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2022). Mentoring & behavioral health: Changing the landscape for children in Athens, Georgia. Keynote address presented at Clarke County Mentor Program Annual Breakfast.

Bagwell Adams, G., Abraham, A. J., & Bradford, W. D. (2018). Throwing good money after bad docs: HHS exclusions and opioid open payments to physicians. Paper presented at University of Georgia Opioid Summit, Athens, GA.

Selected Conference Presentations (2018–2024)

Bagwell Adams, G. (2025, February). Education and Training Voucher efficacy among foster youth in Georgia. Paper presented at National Conference on Hidden Populations (Virtual Meeting).

Bagwell Adams, G. (2024). Leveraging community partnerships to serve the foster youth population. Paper presented at American Society for Higher Education, Minneapolis, MN.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2024). Athens Wellbeing Project: A pathway to meaningful community engagement for undergraduate and graduate students. Paper presented at Gulf South Summit Conference.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2024). Quantitative evidence from the Education and Training Voucher Program in Georgia. Paper presented at National Conference on Hidden Populations, San Antonio, TX.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2024). Rural community engagement: Lessons from the field. Paper presented at Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities Behavioral Health Summit.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2023). Increased prescribing for anxiety among postpartum women in the pandemic. Paper presented at American Public Health Association Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2022, March). Maternal health outcomes and pain management in the postpartum period. Paper presented at APPAM Fall 2021 (held March 2022), Austin, TX.

Bramlett, M., Bardgett, S., & Bagwell Adams, G. (2019). Community health needs assessment rubrics. Paper presented at American Public Health Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2019). Athens Wellbeing Project. Paper presented at State of the Public's Health Conference, Athens, GA.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2019). Throwing good money after bad docs: HHS exclusions and opioid open payments to physicians. Paper presented at International Health Economics Association, Basel, Switzerland.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2019). Effect of opioid prescribing on postpartum emergency department visits. Paper presented at American Society of Health Economists, Washington, D.C.

Bagwell Adams, G. (2018). University-community partnerships and the Athens Wellbeing Project. Paper presented at State of the Public's Health Conference, Athens, GA.

Abraham, A. J., Bagwell Adams, G., Bradford, A. C., & Bradford, W. D. (2018). County level access to opioid use disorder medications in Medicare Part D (2010-2015). Paper presented at ASHEcon, Atlanta, GA.

Bagwell Adams, G., Abraham, A. J., Bradford, A. C., & Bradford, W. D. (2018). The effect of medical cannabis laws on prescription opioid overdose deaths in the United States: 2000-2015. Paper presented at ASHEcon, Atlanta, GA.

Teaching Experience

HPAM 8400: Health Policy Analysis

Instructor of Record | Fall 2015–Present

HPAM 7010: Introduction to Health Policy & Management

Instructor of Record | Spring 2016–Present

HPAM e7010: Introduction to Health Policy & Management

Instructor of Record | Maymester 2015–Present

GRADFIRST: Community Engaged Research in Athens, Georgia

Instructor of Record | Fall 2023

FYOS: Bruce Springsteen & Public Health

Instructor of Record | Fall 2021

HPAM 8900: Contact Tracing for Public Health Response

Instructor of Record | Summer 2020

HPAM 8900: Women's Health Policy

Instructor of Record | Fall 2018

HPAM 3600: Introduction to Health Policy

Instructor of Record | Fall 2014–Spring 2015

PADP 8650: Social Insurance

Instructor of Record | Spring 2014

PADP 8640: Program Evaluation

Instructor of Record | Fall 2013

PADP 7110: Research Methods

Instructor of Record | Fall 2013–Spring 2014

POL 308/508: Politics of Poverty

Instructor of Record | Summer 2013 (Converse College)

PADP 9200: Local Government Practicum

Co-Instructor | Spring 2009–Spring 2013

PADP 8560: Special Topics in Urban Administration: Poverty

Instructor | Spring 2012

PADP 9200: Community Diagnosis

Co-Instructor | Fall 2010

POLS 1101: American Government

Lead Teaching Assistant | Fall 2007–Spring 2009

Doctoral Dissertation Chair

Rebecca Baskam

Expected Spring 2027, University of Georgia College of Public Health

Anyess Travers

Graduated Summer 2022, University of Georgia College of Public Health

Maria Bowie

Graduated Fall 2020, University of Georgia College of Public Health

Doctoral Comprehensive Exam/Dissertation Committee Member

- Jacinta Smith, UGA College of Public Health, *Completed December 2025*
- Susan Fuller, UGA College of Public Health, *In Progress*
- Sam Perren, UGA School of Public & International Affairs, *Completed December 2025*
- Makayla Peebles, UGA College of Public Health, *In Progress*
- David Newton, UGA College of Public Health, *In Progress*
- Brianna Yoder, UGA School of Public & International Affairs, *Completed 2021*
- Samantha Harris, UGA School of Public & International Affairs, *Completed 2020*
- Jeff Auerbach, UGA School of Public & International Affairs, *Completed 2020*
- Hillary Carruthers, UGA College of Public Health, *Completed 2019*
- Dorris Scott, UGA Franklin College, *Completed 2018*
- Mary Hulihan, UGA College of Public Health, *Completed 2015*

Master of Public Health Capstone Chair

- Kailey Blocker, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Rylee Dickinson, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Taylor Winkleman, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management

- Clay Hartley, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Lauren Dean, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Laurel Wiggers, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Nicole LaTournous, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Abby Tyre, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Angela Murcia, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Bryan Freeman, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Wei Shi, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Gloria Berry, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Joshika Money, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Dalton Corbin, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Shellie Bardgett, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Megan Grandin, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- De'Wight Walker, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Seth Riggle, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Henry Tarwater, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Evan Alden, UGA MPH in Health Policy & Management
- Amanda Schraub, UGA MHA in Health Policy & Management

Supervision of Undergraduate Research

Served as Roosevelt Institute Mentor or CURO program advisor to:

- Ashley Bradford (CURO), 2016–2017
- Aditya Krishnaswamy (Roosevelt), 2017–2018
- Claudia Bennett (CURO), 2017–2018
- John Morris (CURO), 2019–2020
- Anna Samsonov (CURO), 2021–2022
- Kailey Blocker (Independent Study), 2023–2024

Academic Affiliations

- **Graduate Faculty**, UGA, 2014–Present
- **Affiliate**, UGA Owens Institute for Behavioral Research, 2017–Present
- **Affiliate**, UGA Institute of Gerontology, 2018–Present
- **Courtesy Appointment**, UGA Department of Epidemiology & Biostatistics
- **Co-Chair**, College of Public Health Health Disparities Research Group
- **Member**, Embark Georgia Research Consortium

Public Service

Vice Chair of Board of Directors, Athens Community Council on Aging
Elected November 2024 (Three-year service term)

Member, Get Comfortable Fund Advisory Committee (Creature Comforts Philanthropic Fund)
2018–Present

Pro Bono Evaluator, Athens Free Clinic
2022–Present

Member, Envision Athens Strategic Action Team, Envision Athens
2018–Present

Pro Bono Evaluator, Athens Area Council on Aging "Athens Eats Together" Program
2022–2023

Pro Bono Evaluator, Athens Nurses Clinic
2023

Pro Bono Data Analysis & Grant Writing, Athens Drug Treatment Court
2022

Pro Bono Data Analysis & Reporting, The Ark
2019, 2022–2023

Analyst, Georgia Department of Family & Children Services SNAP Program
2015–2016

Member, Georgia CAFÉ Food Assistance Policy Group
2015–2017

Member, Community Health Needs Assessment Team, Community Connections (Athens, GA)
2015–2016

University Service

University Libraries Committee, College of Public Health Member
2023–Present

Honors College Policy Proposal Faculty Reviewer

2024–Present

College of Public Health Faculty Advisory Council to the Dean

2019–2020; 2023–Present

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Committee

2019–2022

State of the Public's Health Conference Planning Committee

2018–2023

HPAM Third Year Review Committee

2023–2024

HPAM Doctoral Program Committee

2023–Present

HPAM Faculty Search Member

2022–2023

HPAM Department Head Search Committee Member

2019–2020

College of Public Health Dean's Search Committee Member

2018–2019

MPH Curriculum Revision Committee Member

2015–2017

College of Public Health Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Member

2015–2016

HPAM Department Head Search Committee Member

2016–2017

HPAM Search Committee for Faculty Member

2015–2016; 2016–2017 (Two separate searches)

HPAM Service Learning Group Member

2014–2015

Health Policy & Management Assistantship Committee
2014–2015

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) Instructor

Professional Memberships

- Delta Omega Honor Society
- National Conference on Hidden Populations
- American Society of Higher Education
- International Health Economics Association
- American Public Health Association
- National Conference on Hidden Populations
- Georgia Public Health Association
- Association of Public Policy & Management

Professional Service

Manuscript Reviewer: American Journal of Public Health, Journal of Public Child Welfare, Maternal & Child Health Journal, Health Economics, Journal of Hunger and Environmental Nutrition, International Journal of Public Health, Journal of the Georgia Public Health Association, Local Development & Society

Guest Editor for Forthcoming Spring 2026 Issue of Child Welfare

Grant Reviewer: University of Georgia Interdisciplinary Seed Grant Program; Jackson EMC Foundation; Athens Area Community Foundation