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I. ACADEMIC/PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Educational Background

<u>Degree</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>University</u>	<u>Major</u>
PhD	2021	Louisiana State University Baton Rouge, Louisiana	Nutrition and Food Sciences, Concentration: Human Nutrition
MS/internship	1990	Texas Woman's University/ Houston VA Medical Center Houston, Texas	Nutrition and Food Science
BS	1989	Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana	Dietetics

University Experience

<u>Position</u>	<u>University</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Adjunct Instructor	Louisiana State University School of Nutrition and Food Sciences	August - December 2021
Graduate Research Assistant	LSU AgCenter	June 2018 – December 2021

Relevant Professional Experience

<u>Position</u>	<u>Entity</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Registered Dietitian	Baton Rouge General Hospital Baton Rouge, Louisiana	April 2022 - July 2022
Registered Dietitian	Eating Disorder Center, LLC Baton Rouge, Louisiana	November 2006 - July 2022
Registered Dietitian	The Eating Disorder Treatment Center at River Oaks Hospital New Orleans, Louisiana	November 2006 - May 2018

Consultant Dietitian	Seaside Behavioral Health Baton Rouge, Louisiana	November 2010 - November 2015
Consultant Dietitian	Healthcare facilities, Florida, Louisiana	March 2003 – November 2006
Director	Food and Nutrition Department Baptist Hospital Memphis, Tennessee	March 2000 – November 2002
Registered Dietitian (Clinical Dietitian, Assistant Director of Nutrition Care Services, and Regional Dietitian)	Valley Management, Jackson, Mississippi	November 1990 - March 2000

Other Professional Credentials

Registered Dietitian with Commission on Dietetic Registration (#725007), April 1991 – present

Licensed as an RD LDN in Louisiana (#1957), October 2005 - present

II. TEACHING

Courses Taught:

Louisiana State University

NFS 4021 Contemporary Topics in Nutrition

III. SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE

Refereed Journal Articles:

Fergus L, Seals K, Holston D. Nutrition interventions in low-income rural and urban retail environments: a systematic review. *J Acad Nutr Diet*. 2021. doi:10.1016/j.jand.2020.12.018.

Fergus L, Roberts R, Holston D. Healthy eating in low-income rural Louisiana parishes: formative research for future social marketing campaigns. *Int J Environ Res Public Health*. 2021;18(9). doi:10.3390/ijerph18094745.

Under review - **Fergus L**, Long A, Holston D. Modeling behavioral economic strategies in social marketing messages to promote vegetable consumption to low-resource Louisiana residents: A conjoint analysis (*J Acad Nutr Diet*).

Abstracts:

To be published in September 2022 for October 2022 FNCE conference (poster abstract) - **Fergus**, L, Long, A, Holston, D. Modeling behavioral economic strategies in social marketing messages to promote vegetable consumption to low-resource Louisiana residents: A conjoint analysis (*J Acad Nutr Diet*).

Fergus L, Seals K, Holston D. P20 Effectiveness of nutrition interventions in low-income rural and urban retail environments: a systematic literature review. *J Nutr Educ Behav*. 2020;52(7): S24-S25. doi:10.1016/j.jneb.2020.04.065. Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior Conference, July 20 –24, 2020.

Fergus L, Cater M, Holston D. Effectiveness of school-based nutrition program on preferences and willingness to consume fruits and vegetables among third graders (FS16-07-19). *Current Developments in Nutrition*. 2019; 3 (Supplement_1); <https://doi.org/10.1093/cdn/nzz050.FS16-07-19>. (presenting author). ASN Conference, June 10, 2019.

Invited Talks, Lectures, and Presentations:

February 4, 2020 Presentation to LSU senior dietetics students, “ Effectiveness of nutrition interventions in low-income rural and urban retail environments – a systematic literature review.”

February 14, 2020 Presentation to LSU students in NFS 3116 Community Nutrition, “Development of social marketing messages aimed at improving nutrition behaviors among low-income, rural audiences.”

February 18, 2020 Presentation to LSU Student Dietetic Association, “The role of the dietitian in the treatment of patients with eating disorders.”

February 8, 2021 Presentation to LSU students in NFS 3116 Community Nutrition, “Development of social marketing messages aimed at improving nutrition behaviors among low-income, rural audiences.”

November 10, 2021 Presentation to LSU students in NFS 1110 Introduction to Nutrition, “The role of the dietitian in eating disorder treatment.”

2006 – 2010 The Eating Disorder Treatment Center at River Oaks Hospital, traveled extensively and presented at 6-12 marketing seminars per year, “The role of the Nutritionist in the treatment of Eating Disorders.”

IV. SERVICE

Professional:

Webinar Co - Chair for the Research Dietetic Practice Group of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, 2020 - present

BRDA - Chairman of webpage committee (2006 – 2009)

Past President (1999) Central District Dietetic Association (Mississippi)

President - Elect (1998-2000) Central District Dietetic Association (Mississippi)

Organizations:

1991 - present	Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics - member
2006 - present	Louisiana Dietetic Association, Baton Rouge affiliate
2007 - present	Academy of Eating Disorders
2019 - present	Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior
1991 - 2000	Mississippi Dietetic Association, NW Mississippi affiliate and Central District affiliate