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**Education**

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- 2012 PhD University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX**  
Department of Nutritional Sciences  
Specialization: Behavioral Sciences and Community Nutrition
- 2011 RDN University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX**  
Coordinated Program in Dietetics
- 2009 BS University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX**  
Major in Nutrition, Minor in Business Foundations

**Professional Experience**

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**Research Scientist**, Gretchen Swanson Center for Nutrition (GSCN)  
Omaha, NE | May 2021 – Present

- Provide oversight for all scientific aspects of research and evaluation projects.
- Develop project workplans that include research designs, data elements, measurement tools, and deliverables.
- Maintain a working knowledge of significant developments and trends in nutrition-related fields.
- Ensure the integrity of sampling and data collection efforts.

**Nutrition Scientist Consultant**  
Dallas, TX | February 2021 – April 2021

- Provided technical guidance and subject matter expertise on multiple research studies evaluating federal nutrition assistance programs.
- Helped facilitate workshops and expert panel meetings with a variety of government, practitioner, and industry representatives.

**Senior Nutrition Scientist**, 2M Research  
Arlington, TX | September 2017 – January 2021

- Directed multimillion-dollar, mixed methods, nationwide research contracts that evaluate complex and high-profile federal nutrition assistance programs.
- Monitored staff hours and project budgets, ensuring projects stay within scope and on schedule.
- Interacted directly with clients and helped develop evidence-based programmatic and policy recommendations to improve program operations and reporting.
- Served as a senior quality assurance reviewer for project plans, survey instruments, analytic tables, and final reports.

**Senior Portfolio Manager**, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Services (FNS)  
Alexandria, VA | September 2016 – September 2017

- Managed the agency's strategic priorities by helping agency leads draft results-orientated objectives and ensure accountability for the monitoring and execution of objectives across the organization.
- Served as editor and contributor to the agency's quarterly strategic planning and project management newsletter that was provided to senior leadership.
- Led monthly project management seminars for the agency and developed the Project Management Resource Center intranet site that housed a variety of tools and templates related to project management and performance improvement.

**Social Science Research Analyst**, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Services (FNS)

Alexandria, Virginia | July 2012 – August 2016

- Designed and managed a research portfolio of over \$40 million in grants and contracts for program evaluation services.
- Developed budgets, schedules, and monitored contractor and grantee performance.
- Utilized nutrition and program evaluation expertise to develop performance work statements and served as a technical panel chair resulting in the timely award of contracts providing the best value to the government.
- Reviewed final research reports, including reports to Congress, and highlighted key policy implications in summary memos and briefings to agency subcabinet leaders.
- Researched national nutrition trends, legislative developments, and relevant information to FNS programs and wrote talking points and briefing materials for senior leaders.
- Presented project updates at national conferences and stakeholder meetings.

## Grants and Contracts – Current

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October 2022 – Sept 2027	<p><b>WIC Community Innovation and Outreach (CIAO) Grant Program – USDA FNS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GSCN's role is to work with FRAC and other grant partners by developing and conducting an in-depth evaluation of the WIC CIAO subgrant program to assess impact of WIC awareness, enrollment, and participation. This evaluation will include a detailed implementation and outcome evaluation for 25 or more funded subgrant projects in addition to an overarching evaluation of the entire grant program.</li> <li>• Role: Research Scientist</li> </ul>
June 2022 – November 2023	<p><b>From Policy to Reality: Assessment of the Successes and Challenges with the WIC Cash-Value Benefit (CVB) Changes in Increasing Child Access to Fruits and Vegetables – Healthy Eating Research</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lead a mixed method evaluation assessing the WIC CVB changes through State administrative data analysis and qualitative interviews with WIC State agencies, local agencies, and participants.</li> <li>• Role: Principal Investigator</li> </ul>
September 2020 -September 2023	<p><b>WIC Online Ordering – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop and test a safe and secure plan for implementing online grocery ordering for participants of the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC).</li> <li>• Role: Research Scientist</li> </ul>

- October 2019 -  
September 2023
- WIC Special Project Innovation – Council of State Governments (CSG)**
- Assist CSG in developing measurement procedures to capture impacts of WIC projects, including wait times, participant satisfaction, and other variables.
  - Role: Research Scientist

## Grants and Contracts – Past

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- July 2021 – July  
2022
- Evaluation of the Healthy at Home Program – Alliance for a Healthier Generation**
- Co-lead evaluation through key-informant interviews.
  - Role: Research Scientist
- May 2021 –  
May 2022
- Evaluation of the National Collaborative on Childhood Obesity Research (NCCOR) – FHI 360**
- Conduct annual NCCOR evaluation activities to support CDC, RWJF, NIH, and USDA in their collective efforts around childhood obesity prevention.
  - Role: Research Scientist
- September 2017  
– March 2021
- Third National Survey of WIC Participants – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**
- Provided nationally representative estimates of improper payments, WIC participants’ program experiences, and state and local agency policies and operations by conducting phone and in-person interviews with WIC participants along with web surveys of State and local WIC agencies. The study also included a qualitative case study of former WIC participants.
  - Role: Project Director
- September 2017 –  
September 2019
- Child Nutrition Reducing Burden Study – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**
- Identified which regulatory or reporting requirements contributed most to the administrative workload of CN staff at state agencies and School Food Authorities and identified potential changes in reporting requirements to reduce burden.
  - Role: Technical Expert
- March 2014 –  
September 2016
- Evaluation of the Pilot Project for Canned, Frozen, or Dried (CFD) Fruits and Vegetables in FFVP – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**
- Managed an evaluation of the FFVP CFD pilot focusing on four key study objectives: (1) impact on students’ fruit and vegetable consumption, (2) impact on school participation in the FFVP and operation of the program, (3) implementation strategies used by schools participating in the pilot, and (4) acceptance of the pilot project by key stakeholders. The pilot study included 58 schools from 31 districts across four states and a pre/post design.
  - Role: Project Officer
- April 2014 –  
September 2016
- WIC Infant and Toddler Feeding Practices Study 2– United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**
- Oversaw data collection of WIC caregivers and their children over the first 5 years of each child’s life to address a series of research questions regarding feeding practices, the effect of WIC services on those practices, and the health and nutrition outcomes of children on WIC. The study was designed to represent the national population of infants on WIC.
  - Role: Project Officer

- September 2015 – September 2016 **Summer Food Service Program Case Study of Meal Quality – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**
- Managed the Cooperative Agreement between the Cornell Center for Behavioral Economics in Child Nutrition Programs (BEN Center), USDA’s Economic Research Service, and FNS evaluated the outcomes of encouraging schools to implement low- or no-cost strategies aimed at nudging children to make healthier food choices at school.
  - Role: Agency Lead
- January 2013 – September 2016 **Cornell Center for Behavioral Economics in Child Nutrition Programs Cooperative Agreement – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**
- Collected information about the foods listed in a sample of Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) meals by analyzing their types, variety, and nutrients from a convenience sample of SFSP sites.
  - Role: Project Officer
- February 2015 – October 2015 **Study of Nutrition and Wellness Quality in Child Care Settings – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**
- Managed a nationally representative study of child care centers to assess the nutritional quality of foods served to children, as well as the quantity and types of physical activity and sedentary activity in which children are engaged. It also requires an assessment of the barriers and facilitators to providing foods that meet the Dietary Guidelines; providing opportunities for physical activity; and participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP).
  - Role: Project Officer
- March 2014 – November 2015 **Special Nutrition Program Quick Response Surveys – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**
- Managed fast turnaround survey data collection, data analysis, and reporting for all FNS Special Nutrition Programs (SNP), including the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), National School Lunch Program (NSLP), School Breakfast Program (SBP), Special Milk Program, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP), Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), and the Food Distribution Programs.
  - Role: Project Officer
- September 2013 – September 2015 **Child and Adult Care Food Program Sponsors and Providers Characteristics Study – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**
- Managed a nationally representative study of CACFP sponsors and providers provided current information about how sponsors and providers operate and manage the program, including staff training, funding, and meal service.
  - Role: Project Officer
- July 2012 – December 2015 **Evaluation of the Direct Certification with Medicaid Demonstration (DC-M) – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**
- Oversaw the evaluation of the demonstration that directly certified students for free school meals based on income eligibility identified through Medicaid data. The evaluation had two main components: an access evaluation using data from the year prior to the demonstration and a participation and cost impact evaluation based on data collected during the first 2 years of the

demonstration. The access evaluation identified the potential impacts of DC-M on National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program certifications if DC-M had been conducted in SY 2011–2012. The participation and cost evaluation consider the impact of DC-M once implemented.

- Role: Project Officer

February 2014 –  
August 2014

**National School Lunch Program Direct Certification Improvement Study – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**

- Managed a study that described current methods of direct certification used by state and local agencies and challenges faced by states and local education agencies in attaining high matching rates. This study included analysis of data drawn from a National Survey of Direct Certification Practices and case studies of seven states.
- Role: Project Officer

January 2013 –  
November 2014

**Special Nutrition Program Operations Study: Year 3 – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**

- Managed a multiyear, nationally representative study that provided a snapshot of current state and School Food Authority (SFA) policies and practices and a baseline for observing the improvements resulting from the implementation of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010.
- Role: Project Officer

July 2012 – March  
2013

**Evaluation of the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)**

- Oversaw an evaluation of FFVP to determine “whether children experienced, as a result of participating in the program, an increased consumption of fruits and vegetables; other dietary changes, such as decreased consumption of less nutritious foods; and such other outcomes as are considered appropriate by the Secretary.” The evaluation had two components: (1) an impact study to estimate program impacts on participating elementary students and schools; and (2) an implementation study to examine how the FFVP operates in the selected elementary schools.
- Role: Project Officer

## Publications

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1. Hill, J.L.; Calloway, E.E.; **Nitto, A.M.**; Anderson Steeves, E.T. Application of a Delphi Technique to Identify the Challenges for Adoption, Implementation, and Maintenance of WIC Online Ordering Across Various Systems and Stakeholders. *Journal of Hunger & Environmental Nutrition* 2023, DOI: 10.1080/19320248.2023.2174827
2. **Nitto, A.M.**; Calloway, E.E.; Anderson Steeves, E.T.; Wieczorek Basl, A.; Papa, F.; Kersten, S.K.; Hill, J.L. State Agencies’ Perspectives on Planning and Preparing for WIC Online Ordering Implementation. *Nutrients* 2022, 14, 4447. <https://doi.org/10.3390/nu14214447>.
3. Clausen, W., **Magness Nitto, A.** Kohl’s Healthy at Home Initiative Evaluation of Cultural Relevance: Summary Report (2022) Gretchen Swanson Center for Nutrition. Prepared for: The Alliance for a Healthier Generation.
4. **Nitto AM**, Berrigan D, Bremer AA, Kersten SK, Carpenter LR and Yaroch AL (2022) Key Informant Interviews to Inform Nutrition and Physical Activity Recovery Efforts in Child Care Settings amid the COVID-19 Pandemic in the United States. *Front. Public Health* 10:888368.doi: 10.3389/fpubh.2022.888368.

5. **Magness, A.,** Williams, K. Garza, A., Papa, F., Okyere, D., Nisar, H., Bajowski, F., & Singer, B. (2021). *Third National Survey of WIC Participants: WIC State Agency Policies and Practices: Report brief #1.* Prepared by Capital Consulting Corporation and 2M Research Services. Contract No. AG-3198-B-15-0011, AG-3198-K-15-0077. Alexandria, VA: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, Project Officer: Karen Castellanos-Brown. Available online at: [www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis](http://www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis).
6. **Magness, A.,** Williams, K. Garza, A., Papa, F., Okyere, D., Nisar, H., Bajowski, F., & Singer, B. (2021). *Third National Survey of WIC Participants: WIC Local Agency Operations: Report brief #2.* Prepared by Capital Consulting Corporation and 2M Research Services. Contract No. AG-3198-B-15-0011, AG-3198-K-15-0077. Alexandria, VA: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, Project Officer: Karen Castellanos-Brown. Available online at: [www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis](http://www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis).
7. **Magness, A.,** Williams, K. Garza, A., Papa, F., Okyere, D., Nisar, H., Bajowski, F., & Singer, B. (2021). *Third National Survey of WIC Participants: WIC Local Agency Certification Policies: Report brief #3.* Prepared by Capital Consulting Corporation and 2M Research Services. Contract No. AG-3198-B-15-0011, AG-3198-K-15-0077. Alexandria, VA: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, Project Officer: Karen Castellanos-Brown. Available online at: [www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis](http://www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis).
8. **Magness, A.,** Williams, K. Gordon, E., Morrissey, N., Papa, F., Garza, A., Okyere, D., Nisar, H., Bajowski, F., & Singer, B. (2021). *Third National Survey of WIC Participants: Retention and Potential Barriers to Participation among WIC Participants: Report brief #4.* Prepared by Capital Consulting Corporation and 2M Research Services. Contract No. AG-3198-B-15-0011, AG-3198-K-15-0077. Alexandria, VA: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, Project Officer: Karen Castellanos-Brown.
9. **Magness, A.,** Williams, K. Chakravorty, A., Papa, F., Garza, A., Okyere, D., Nisar, H., Bajowski, F., & Singer, B. (2021). *Third National Survey of WIC Participants: WIC Participant Characteristics and Economic Status: Report brief #5.* Prepared by Capital Consulting Corporation and 2M Research Services. Contract No. AG-3198-B-15-0011, AG-3198-K-15-0077. Alexandria, VA: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, Project Officer: Karen Castellanos-Brown. Available online at: [www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis](http://www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis).
10. **Magness, A.,** Williams, K. Gordon, E., Morrissey, N., Papa, F., Garza, A., Okyere, D., Nisar, H., Bajowski, F., & Singer, B. (2021). *Third National Survey of WIC Participants: WIC Participant Satisfaction and Shopping Experience: Report brief #6.* Prepared by Capital Consulting Corporation and 2M Research Services. Contract No. AG-3198-B-15-0011, AG-3198-K-15-0077. Alexandria, VA: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, Project Officer: Karen Castellanos-Brown. Available online at: [www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis](http://www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis).
11. **Magness, A.,** Williams, K. Gordon, E., Morrissey, N., Papa, F., Garza, A., Okyere, D., Nisar, H., Bajowski, F., & Singer, B. (2021). *Third National Survey of WIC Participants: WIC Participant Use of Other Assistance Programs: Report brief #7.* Prepared by Capital Consulting Corporation and 2M Research Services. Contract No. AG-3198-B-15-0011, AG-3198-K-15-0077. Alexandria, VA: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, Project Officer: Karen Castellanos-Brown. Available online at: [www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis](http://www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis).
12. **Magness, A.,** Chakravorty, A., Williams, K., Ruggiere, P., Papa, F., Okyere, D., Santos, K., Nisar, H., Bajowski, F., & Singer, B. (2021). *Certification Error Rates and Estimates of Improper Payments in WIC: Report brief #8.* Prepared by Capital Consulting Corporation and 2M Research Services. Contract No. AG-3198-B-15-0011, AG-3198-K-15-0077. Alexandria, VA: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, Project Officer: Karen Castellanos-Brown. Available online at: [www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis](http://www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis).
13. **Magness, A.,** Chakravorty, A., Williams, K. Papa, F., Okyere, D., Santos, K., Nisar, H., Bajowski, F., & Singer, B. (2021). *National Survey of WIC Participants: Denied Applicants in WIC: Report brief #9.* Prepared by



Capital Consulting Corporation and 2M Research Services. Contract No. AG-3198-B-15-0011, AG-3198-K-15-0077. Alexandria, VA: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, Project Officer: Karen Castellanos-Brown. Available online at: [www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis](http://www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis).

14. **Magness, A.**, Chakravorty, A., Williams, K. Papa, F., Santos, K., Gordon, E., Morrissey, N., Okyere, D., Nisar, H., Bajowski, F., & Singer, B. (2021). *National Survey of WIC Participants: Factors Associated with Certification Error and Program Retention: Report brief #10*. Prepared by Capital Consulting Corporation and 2M Research Services. Contract No. AG-3198-B-15-0011, AG-3198-K-15-0077. Alexandria, VA: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, Project Officer: Karen Castellanos-Brown. Available online at: [www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis](http://www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis).
15. Garasky, S., Piccinino, L. Conway, K., **Magness, A.**, Gearan, E. (2019). *Child Nutrition Reporting Burden Analysis Study*. U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, Project Officer: J. Burdg.
16. Paolicelli, C., Berman, D., Owens, T., **Magness, A.**, Scanlon, K. (2017). Breastfeeding and complementary feeding patterns among women enrolled in WIC: WIC infant and toddler feeding practices study-2. *Breastfeeding Medicine*, 12(8), 482–486.
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21. May, L., Borger, C., McNutt, S., Harrison, G., Weinfield, N., MacAllum, C., Montaquila, J. (2015). *WIC infant and toddler feeding practices study 2: Intention to breastfeed*. U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, Project Officer: **A. Magness**.
22. Hulse, L., Gordon, A., Leftin, J., Beyler, N., Schirm, A., Smither-Wulsin, C., Crumbley, W. (2014). *Evaluation of demonstrations of National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program direct certification of children receiving Medicaid benefits: Year 1 report*. U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, Project Officer: **A. Magness**.
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## Selected Presentations

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1. **Key Informant Interviews to Inform Nutrition and Physical Activity Efforts in Child Care Settings During the COVID-19 Pandemic (Lead Presenter).** ISBNPA Annual Meeting. May 2021.
2. **WIC Online Ordering: A Practical Guide for Getting Started (Presenter).** Presentation at the 2021 National WIC Technology Conference. October 2021.
3. **Local Agency Practices and Participant Satisfaction: Selected Findings from the Third National Survey of WIC Participants (Co-Author).** Poster presentation at the 2021 National WIC Technology Conference. October 2021.
4. **Project Management Practices and Strategic Planning Monthly Classes (Presenter).** USDA FNS. 2017.
5. **WIC Research Updates (Presenter).** USDA FNS Mid-Atlantic Regional Office. 2016.
6. **FNS Research Updates (Presenter).** GWU School of Public Health. 2016.
7. **WIC Research Townhall (Presenter).** National WIC Association Conference. May 2015.
8. **WIC Infant and Toddler Feeding Practices Research Updates (Presenter).** National WIC Association Conference. May 2015.
9. **Cornell Center for Behavioral Economics in Child Nutrition Programs Cooperative Agreement Project Updates. (Presenter).** Briefing for USDA FNS Senior Leadership 2015.
10. **FNS Research Updates (Presenter).** GWU School of Public Health. 2015.
11. **Cornell Center for Behavioral Economics in Child Nutrition Programs Cooperative Agreement Project Updates. (Presenter).** Briefing for USDA FNS Senior Leadership 2014.
12. **Special Nutrition Program Operations Study Updates (Presenter).** Briefing for USDA FNS Senior Leadership. 2014.
13. **Direct Certification with Medicaid Evaluation Findings (Lead Presenter).** Briefing for USDA FNS Senior Leadership. 2014.
14. **Cornell Center for Behavioral Economics in Child Nutrition Programs Cooperative Agreement Project Updates. (Presenter).** Briefing for USDA FNS Senior Leadership. 2013.
15. **FFVP Evaluation Report Findings (Lead Presenter).** United Fresh Produce Association. May 2013.
16. **FFVP Evaluation Report Findings (Lead Presenter).** Briefing for USDA FNS Senior Leadership. February 2013.
17. **Correlation of the Nutrition Metric profiling tool. (Presenter).** Experimental Biology Annual Conference. April 2012.
18. **Can low income families find healthy substitutes to popular, unhealthy foods at the supermarket? (Presenter).** Food and Nutrition Conference and Expo. September 2011.
19. **Low income household penetration and food healthfulness: A quadrant analysis. (Presenter).** Experimental Biology Annual Conference. April 2011.

## Federal and Non-Federal Grant Reviews

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2021	<b>Reviewer,</b> WIC Online Ordering Sub-Grant Projects, GSCN
2016	<b>Chair,</b> SFSP Participant Characteristics and Meal Analysis of Quality, USDA FNS
2016	<b>Chair,</b> SFSP Case Study of Meal Quality, USDA FNS
2016	<b>Chair,</b> WIC Infant and Toddler Feeding Practices Study Extension, USDA FNS
2015	<b>Chair,</b> Special Nutrition Programs Quick Response Surveys, USDA FNS
2015	<b>Chair,</b> WIC Infant and Toddler Feeding Practices Study Extension, USDA FNS



2014	<b>Reviewer</b> , USDA Center for Behavioral Economics and Healthy Food Choice Research, USDA ERS AND FNS
2014	<b>Reviewer</b> , Study of Nutrition and Wellness Quality in Child Care Settings, USDA FNS
2014	<b>Reviewer</b> , WIC Infant and Toddler Feeding Practices Study Extension, USDA FNS
2014	<b>Chair</b> , FFVP Canned, Frozen, and Dried Pilot Evaluation, USDA FNS
2013	<b>Chair</b> , CACFP Sponsor and Provider Characteristics Study, USDA FNS
2013	<b>Reviewer</b> , School Nutrition and Meal Cost Study I, USDA FNS
2013	<b>Reviewer</b> , Special Nutrition Program Operations Study 3, USDA FNS
2012	<b>Reviewer</b> , WIC Vendor Error Study, USDA FNS
2012	<b>Reviewer</b> , CACFP Tiering Study, USDA FNS
2012	<b>Reviewer</b> , NHANES Diet Quality of American by SNAP, WIC, and NSLP Participation Status, USDA FNS

### **Committees and Advisory Groups**

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2014 - 2016	USDA FNS Nutrition Council
2015	USDA FNS Social Science Research Analyst Hiring Committee
2014	National Sodium Surveillance Federal Workgroup
2013	USDA FNS Multicultural Transformation Committee
2012	Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion Peer Review Guidance Development Committee
2011	University of Texas at Austin Nutrition Graduate Student Association Treasurer
2010	University of Texas at Austin Graduate Student Association Department Representative

### **Honors, Awards, & Professional Associations**

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#### **Honors and Awards**

2023	Healthy Eating Research (HER) 2023 Research Impact Award
2016	Merit Award for Outstanding Performance
2016	Lean Six Sigma Green Belt Certification
2015	Merit Award for Outstanding Performance
2014	Merit Award for Outstanding Work with the National Agricultural Library
2013	Merit Award for Outstanding Performance
2012	Blue Cross Blue Shield Obesity Prevention Fellowship
2012	Karen and Charles Matthews Endowed Presidential Fellowship in Nutrition
2011	Texas Dietetic Association Foundation Scholarship
2011	Austin Dietetic Association Endowed Scholarship
2011	David Burton, Jr. Graduate School Fellowship
2011	Isora and Thomas Cooke Endowed Human Ecology Scholarship

2011 Ima Hogg Memorial Scholarship in Human Ecology  
2010 Laverne Noyes Foundation Grant  
2010 Preemptive Graduate Fellowship  
2009 Kappa Omicron Nu Honor Society, President

**Professional Association Membership**

2009 – Present Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics  
2010 – 2013 American Society for Nutrition

**Journal Reviews**

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- Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
- Maternal and Child Health Journal
- Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior