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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Ph.D.	University of Connecticut	Nutritional Sciences
M.S.	University of Connecticut	Nutritional Sciences
B.S.	University of Connecticut	Nutritional Sciences
R.D.	Registered Dietitian	Commission on Dietetic Registration

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

2023 – Present	Professor, Health Science and Nutrition, Franklin Pierce University, NH
2022 – Present	Principal Consultant, South Pond Consulting, Fitzwilliam, NH
2020 - Present	University of Saint Joseph, CT Adjunct Faculty, Nutrition/School of Interdisciplinary Health & Science
2011- Present	University of Rhode Island Professor Emeritus, Nutrition and Food Sciences
2018 - 2021	Keene State College, NH Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Executive Director, Research and Graduate Studies Professor of Public Health Sciences
2011- 2018	University of North Carolina at Charlotte Dean, College of Health and Human Services Professor of Kinesiology
1996 - 2011	University of Rhode Island Interim Dean, College of the Environment and Life Sciences Associate Dean, College of Human Science and Services Assistant Director, USDA Land Grant Programs Professor, Nutrition and Food Sciences Co-Director, State of Rhode Island SNAP-Ed Program (USDA Food Stamps)
1985-1996	University of Connecticut Department of Nutritional Sciences Cooperative Extension Faculty
1983-1985	Briarwood College (became Lincoln College of New England) Southington CT Director, Dietetics Program

Fey-Yensan Academic CV
Fall 2023

- 1982-1983 University of Connecticut Medical Center
Chemosensory Researcher
- 1980-1982 Hartford Area Health Education Center (AHEC)
Nutrition Program Director
- 1980-1981 University of Connecticut
Residential Life - Head Resident, North Campus Complex
- 1978-1980 Lecturer, Department of Nutritional Sciences, University of Connecticut
Food and Nutrition Educator, Farmington CT Public Schools
Head Gymnastics Coach, Plainville CT YMCA
Cardiac Rehab Nutritionist, Plainville CT YMCA

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

- 1984-present Registered Dietitian (R.D.), Commission on Dietetic Registration
- 2014 Leadership Gift School, Institute for Philanthropic Leadership (2013-2014)
- 2013 American Leadership Forum Training Program, Lee Institute (2012-2013)
- 2006 Lead-21, USDA Leadership Training Program (2005-2006)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND) (Previously the American Dietetic Association)

The NH Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (NHAND)

Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges (COPLAC)

Serves as a mentor and facilitator for the COPLAC Beard Leadership Circle, a national leadership program designed to support the development of faculty interested in administrative leadership in higher education and to provide continuing education opportunities for department chairs, directors and deans within COPLAC member universities and colleges.

SUMMARY OF ACADEMIC and FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

University of Saint Joseph, West Hartford, Connecticut

Since 2020, I have been teaching Nutrition for Nursing Practice, a required on-line course for junior level nursing students. Utilizing Blackboard as the LMS platform, I have been able to successfully engage with students as they progress from basic nutrition concepts through the application of medical nutrition therapy using self-reflection, discussion, assessments and practical clinical case studies with special attention to cultural and economic conditions related to effective nursing care.

Keene State College, Keene New Hampshire

In my role as Provost, I provided primary oversight to an academic enterprise serving over 3400 students and laid the groundwork for all new academic minors, majors and graduate degree programs. This includes the introduction of new micro-credentials and certificates and the initiation of the development of a much needed First Year Experience course for our incoming, first-year students, which I taught using Canvas as the LMS platform to support a hybrid delivery design

(course was partially in person, partially on-line during COVID). As Executive Director of Research and Graduate Studies, I developed the first draft of a strategic plan designed to augment on-line graduate education, and, created the first set of graduate policies, and first graduate handbooks for both graduate students and graduate faculty at the institution. I overhauled the graduate scholarship review and distribution process, convened and managed the College's Graduate Council and managed the development of all new graduate curriculum. In addition, I provided oversight for the College's research enterprise.

University of North Carolina at Charlotte

In my role as Dean at UNC Charlotte, I provided primary oversight to an academic enterprise serving over 4,000 majors and over 7,000 students overall (this includes majors, minors and other students engaged in our curriculum). The College of Health and Human Services led the University in on-line course and degree offerings, many of which had attained Quality Matters and other quality certifications. The College became the test college for a new first year experience course for the University, *Prospect for Success*. Teaching this hybrid course for four years during my tenure as Dean, I was directly involved in the development of the curriculum, configuration of learning modules, and establishment of learning objectives. The course was taught initially using Moodle as the LMS; we adopted Canvas as a preferred teaching platform after a few years based on an assessment of the capacity and intuitive nature of each option for both students and teaching faculty. During my tenure as Dean, I was involved and supported the development and delivery of 1 new undergraduate degree program and 5 new graduate degree programs

University of Rhode Island

Professor, Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences

I was promoted to Full Professor in 2006, functioning as a tenured faculty member with responsibilities related to instruction, research and outreach in public health nutrition and policy, gerontology, assessment of low-income populations, obesity prevention, food insecurity, food access, nutrition education and food behavior assessment. I have successfully instructed students from a spectrum of disciplines, including nutrition, biology, dietetics, nursing, kinesiology, psychology and human development, among others. I am very proud of my recognition as a professor of excellence, winning teaching awards and accolades from my department chairs and dean. Upon my subsequent appointment as a dean at UNC Charlotte, I was named Professor Emeritus at the University, a designation based on my teaching, research, service and mentoring accomplishments.

Undergraduate Education and Training

I am an enthusiastic, experienced and fully committed undergraduate advisor and instructor, who enjoys working with students both in and outside of the classroom, emphasizing global citizenry and interdisciplinarity; provided advanced undergraduate instruction in life span nutrition; food, culture, policy and the environment and developed and supervised community and clinical nutrition field experiences for undergraduate students at all levels. I regularly mentored undergraduate special projects and honors research projects related to health promotion and nutrition, including those from other disciplines such as exercise science, sociology, human development, nursing and psychology. My regular undergraduate teaching included NFS 276 (Food, Nutrition and People), NFS 395 (Nutrition in the Life Cycle), and NFS 451/452 (Field Experience). Optional and out of load teaching included the development and co-instruction of two interdisciplinary courses, one in Human Development and the other in Plant Sciences; Created and delivered a unique hunger module for URI 101 (required course for all first year URI students) classes as part of my role as Director of the President's Partnership on Food, Hunger and Nutrition. I was among the first faculty in nutrition to offer undergraduate evening classes to accommodate athletes and working students; Employed the highest number of undergraduate students in the Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Nutrition Education Grant. Served as faculty advisor to the URI Nutrition Club; worked with NFS faculty to develop the first Undergraduate Teaching Assistant Program (UGTA) for the department; frequent guest lectures provided within the department and for departments and programs across colleges at the University related to my areas of expertise.

Graduate Education and Training

I am a deeply committed, organized and experienced graduate student advisor and mentor. I provided graduate training in Community Nutrition for the Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences and created and was the sole instructor for NFS

506 (Community Nutrition), in addition to NFS 591/592, NFS 580, NFS 599 and NFS 699; I was asked to provide frequent guest lectures for other graduate programs across the University; served as a member of the NFS Graduate Faculty since my initial appointment in 1996; served as a key member on the graduate Dietetic Internship Admission Committee for the department's AND (then ADA) approved post-bac training program; directed graduate student research in nutrition, health promotion, food behavior and aging, with a focus on medically underserved and diverse populations. I have proudly served as a committee member for scores of graduate students in Nutrition and Food Sciences, Kinesiology, Education, and Human Development and Family Studies. I have successfully mentored, as a major professor/advisor over 25 of my own graduate students through their degrees and research. The highly successful Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program grant financially supported all of these graduate students, including URI graduate tuition, health care and stipend. I was the first graduate advisor in the department to create formal graduate student position descriptions that articulated graduate student research assistant expectations related to work on my grant funded projects.

Research and Outreach

My research and outreach interests include nutritional assessment and food behavior in aging, health related public policy and aging, food insecurity, homelessness and hunger, human performance and nutrition, food behavior measurement, health risk assessment, obesity prevention, and community assessment. I have established my expertise nationally and regionally as is evidenced by my appointment as a National Research Panel Manager for USDA (CSREES and NIFA) and my election as the Chair for a USDA-AES Multi-State Research Group on Aging (NE-1023).

I served as the Co-Principal Investigator and Director for the USDA Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Nutrition Education (1996-2011), and as an adjunct faculty member for the Rhode Island Geriatric Education Center. I also co-Directed the President's Partnership in Food, Hunger and Nutrition (2004-2007).

I am very proud of my reputation as a community-centered professor of excellence, winning a University Outreach Award for my efforts which always included the involvement of undergraduate and graduate students.

FACULTY RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY

Grants

Co-Principal Investigator, USDA/FNS and State of RI Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program-Nutrition Education (SNAP-ED)

The principal source of funding for my work with low-income audiences has been through the USDA/FNS Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Nutrition Education (SNAP-ED). This project required an annual proposal and reapplication, with a 1:1 match obligation (non-federal sources). Funded by USDA (FNS) and the State of Rhode Island Department of Human Services (RI DHS), this project brought over \$ 8 million to the University providing \$ 2 million in indirect cost recovery during my tenure there. In addition, match of \$ 8 million from state and municipal partners brought the total expenditures of the project total to close to \$17 million.

Fiscal Year	Total Amount	
October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011	\$ 1,900,000.00	(\$ 950,000.00 federal/\$ 950,000.00 state)
October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010	\$ 2,834,000.00	(\$ 1,417,000.00 federal/\$ 1,417,000.00 state)
October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009	\$ 2,516,000.00	(\$ 1,258,299.00 federal/\$ 1,258,299.00 state)
October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008	\$ 2,232,000.00	(\$ 1,116,414.00 federal/\$ 1,116,414.00 state)
October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007	\$ 1,728,000.00	(\$ 864,000.00 federal/\$ 864,000.00 state)
October 1, 2005 to September 30, 2006	\$ 1,018,000.00	(\$ 509,263.00 federal/\$ 510,791.00 state)
October 1, 2004 to September 30, 2005	\$ 947,000.00	(\$ 473,760.00 federal/\$ 473,760.00 state)

October 1, 2003 to September 30, 2004	\$ 900,900.00	(\$ 450,450.00.00 federal/\$ 450,450.00 state)
October 1, 2003 to September 30, 2004	\$ 21,000.00	(\$ 21,000.00 state of Connecticut)
October 1, 2002 to September 30, 2003	\$ 827,090.00	(\$ 413,545.00 federal/\$ 413,545.00 state)
October 1, 2001 to September 30, 2002	\$ 874,000.00	(\$ 437,000.00 federal/ \$ 437,000.00 state)
October 1, 1999 to September 30, 2001	\$ 1,093,800.00	(\$ 546,929.00 federal/ \$ 546,929.00 state)
October 1, 1998 to September 30, 1999	\$ 145,864.00	(\$ 72,932.00 federal/ \$ 72,932.00 state)

Body Image Assessment in Low-income Children using a 3-D Video Survey, July 1, 2005- June 30, 2006 (Co-Principal Investigator) \$ 5000.00 Child Health Foundation (1 year)

USDA NE-172 (2000 – 2004) and USDA 1023 (2004-2008): Multi-state Nutritional Risk Assessment in the Elderly (Co-Principal Investigator, Co-PI C. English, Funded 1996-2008; total funding for 8 years \$160,000.00, RI AES)

University of Rhode Island President's Interdisciplinary Partnership on Food, Hunger and Nutrition (Co-Principal Investigator and Co-Director with K. Gorman, Co-Investigator C. Padula, Co-Investigator, P. Clark) (Funded 2004-2007, \$ 450,000.00 for three years; \$ 150,000 per year)

University of Rhode Island Council for Outreach, Outreach Development Funds Program, Principal Investigator, \$5,000.00, Community Foods Program Equipment grant, January 2005.

Refereed Journal Articles

Greene, G, Fey-Yensan, NL, Padula, CA, Rossi, S, Rossi, J, and Clark, P. Change in fruit and vegetable intake over 24 months in older adults: Results of the SENIOR Project intervention. *The Gerontologist*, volume 48; 378-387, 2008.

Fey-Yensan, NL, Kantor, MA, Cohen, N, Laus, MJ, Rice, WS, and English, C. Issues and strategies related to fruit and vegetable intake in older adults living in the Northeast Region. *Topics in Clinical Nutrition*, volume 19:3, 2004.

Greene, G, Fey-Yensan, NL, Padula, CA, Rossi, S, Rossi, J, and Clark, P. Differences in psychosocial variables by state of change for fruits and vegetables in older adults. *Journal of the American Dietetic Association*, 112: 2004.

Fey-Yensan, NL, English, C, Pacheco, HE, Belyea, M and Schuler, D. Elderly food stamp participants are different from their non-participating peers by nutrition risk but not nutrient intake. *Journal of the American Dietetic Association*, 103: 103-107, 2003.

Padula, CA, Rossi, S, Nigg, C, Lees, F, Fey-Yensan, NL, Greene, G and Clark, P. Using focus groups for instrument development: application of the trans-theoretical model to fruit and vegetable intake behaviors of older adults. *Journal of Nutrition for the Elderly*, volume 22; 4, 2003.

Fey-Yensan, NL, English, C, Belyea, MB, and Pacheco, H. Food Stamp Program participation and perceived food insecurity in older adults. *Topics in Clinical Nutrition*, Volume 18:4, 2003.

Nigg, C, English, C, Owens, N, Burbank, P, Connolly-Belanger, A, Dufresne, R, Fey-Yensan, NL, Garber, C, Luisi, A, Padula, C, Saunders, S, and Clark, P. Health correlates of exercise behavior and stage change in a community-based exercise intervention for the elderly: a pilot study. *Health Promotion Practice*, vol. 3 (3); 421-428, 2002.

Fey-Yensan, NL, English, C, and Museler, HR. Nutrition to Go: A nutrition newsletter for older, limited resource, home-delivered meal participants. *Journal of Nutrition Education*, Special Issue on Aging. Volume 34s; 69-70, 2002.

Clark, PG, Nigg, CR, Greene, G, Riebe, D, Saunders, SD, Burbank, P, Dufresne, R, English, C, Fey-Yensan, NL, Garber, C, Lees, F, Luisi, A, Owens, N, Padula, C, Prochaska, J, Rossi, J, Rossi, S, Ruggiero, L, and Stillwell, K. The study of Exercise and Nutrition in Older Rhode Islanders (SENIOR): Translating Theory into Research. *Journal of Health Education Research*, 2002.

Fey-Yensan, NL, English, C, Caldwell, M, and Museler, HR. Evaluation of a nutrition education newsletter for home-delivered meal participants. *Journal of Nutrition for the Elderly*. Volume 21 (4); 39-60, 2002.

Fey-Yensan, NL, McCormick, LM and English, C. Body image and weight preoccupation in older women: a review. *Healthy Weight Journal*. Volume 16 (5); 68-71, 2002.

Fey-Yensan, NL, English, C, Ash, S, Wallace, C and Romao, H. Food safety risk identified in a population of elderly home-delivered meal participants. *Journal of the American Dietetic Association* 101:9; 2001.

Clark, RM, Ferris, AM, Fey, NL, Hundreiser, KE and Jensen, RG. The identity of the cholesterol esters in human milk. *Lipids* 15:972-974, 1980.

Reviewed Articles

World Food Day 2004 Student Action Packet: Politics of Hunger: What's at stake? Co-author: Student Think-Tank discussion questions for 2004 study action packet. U.S. National Committee for World Food Day.

Selected Published Abstracts and Presentations at National Meetings

Fey-Yensan, NL. Securing and documenting third party match to meet federal requirements. National CSREES/USDA Administrative Conference, Greensborough, North Carolina, April 2005.

Fey-Yensan, NL, Sebelia, L, English, C, Clark, P, and Solberg, TK. Dietary acculturative status and the nutrition education and food resource needs of older Latinos. Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, DC, November 2004.

Fey-Yensan, NL, English, C and Genova, LG. Nutrition knowledge, barriers and attitudes toward self-care in limited income older adults with type 2 diabetes. Presented at the American Dietetic Association's Food and Nutrition Conference and Expo, San Antonio, TX, October 2003.

Rossi, S, Greene, G, Rossi, J, Padula, C, Nigg, C, Clark, P, Fey-Yensan, NL and Owens, N. Development of a brief measure of self-efficacy for fruit and vegetable consumption in older adults. Presented at the Society for Behavioral Medicine, 24th Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, UT, March 2003.

Fey-Yensan, NL. Nutrition to Go: a nutrition newsletter for homebound elderly. Presented at the USDA FSNEP Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, February, 2003.

Fey-Yensan, NL, English, C. and Pacheco, H. Food Intake, Nutrition Risk and Perceived Food Insecurity in Older Food Stamp Recipients. Presented at the 55th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts, October 2002.

Selected Professional Presentations at Local or Regional Meetings (while a faculty member at URI)

June, 2007; Fey-Yensan, NL. And Sebelia, L. Presenters, *Enhancing the Diets of Low-Income Populations*. USDA Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) Regional Meeting, Worcester, MA.

September, 2005; Fey-Yensan, NL. Presenter, *Dietary Acculturative Status and Nutritional Status of Older Latinos*. Annual Conference of Connecticut Community Care, Cultural Diversity and Health Care.

May, 2005; [Fey-Yensan, NL](#), and Sebelia, L. Presenters, *ABCs of Community-based Nutrition*. Rhode Island Dietetic Association Annual Meeting.

March 2005; [Fey-Yensan, NL](#). Presenter, *Dietary Adherence in Older Type 2 Diabetics*. RI Geriatric Education Center, University of Rhode Island.

September, 2003; [Fey-Yensan, NL](#), Panel Presenter: *Careers in Gerontology*. Rhode Island Geriatric Education Center, University of Rhode Island and Rhode Island College.

September, 2003; [Fey-Yensan, NL](#). Presenter, *Nutrition and Caregiver Wellness*. Annual Conference of the State of Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs, The Crossings, Warwick, Rhode Island.

November, 2002; [Fey-Yensan, NL](#), *Nutritional Aspects of Successful Aging*. Rhode Island Geriatric Education Center, University of Rhode Island and Rhode Island College.

April, 2002; [Fey-Yensan, NL](#). *Nutrition and Aging Successfully: Congregate and Home Delivered Meal Participants*. Nutrition Keynote, Regional Elderly Nutrition Program Conference, Portsmouth, NH.

Selected Invited Lectures and Symposium

2009 – [Fey-Yensan, N](#). Women's Studies Program, Keene State College, NH. Body Image Perception and Aging.

2009 – [Fey-Yensan, N](#). Annual Fredrika Wild Schweers Memorial Lecture, Women's Studies, University of Rhode Island. Poverty and Nutritional Health: the gender and age divide.

2007 – [Fey-Yensan, N](#). Annual Malford Thewlis Lecture in Gerontology and Geriatrics, University of Rhode Island. Healthy Aging: new directions for nutrition.

SERVICE and OUTREACH

Community-based, Food Stamp (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance) Nutrition Education

I was awarded University recognition for Excellence in Outreach in 2004, demonstrating a deep understanding of the value of community outreach to the Universities I serve and the communities seeking our assistance. The extent of our outreach activities for low-income Rhode Islanders enhanced and strengthened the relationship between the College of the Environment and Life Sciences, College of Human Science and Services and stakeholders in the community. Provision of outreach contributed to our ability to build a strong graduate community nutrition program over a fifteen year period, and provided opportunities for undergraduate students to engage in interdisciplinary experiences outside of the classroom. Outreach associated with this project was composed of four different approaches: distance information transfer; face-to-face community-based nutrition education (stakeholders and agency personnel), media, and social marketing campaigns. Examples of outreach publications and videos are available upon request (examples of those provided free to low-income populations: Good News Café (Quarterly Newsletter- readership 10,000, 4 issues per year since 2000); Nutrition to Go (Monthly Newsletter – readership 4,000 per month since 2000); Healthy Cooking for Seniors (40 Video/DVD Productions since 1996); The Farm Fresh Table (Nutrition newsletter for RI Farmers' Market patrons).

University of Rhode Island Service

University of Rhode Island Marshal

For eight years I served as the Commencement Marshal for the University of Rhode Island. Responsibilities included the planning and coordination of marshalling activities for both the Graduate and Main Commencements (two separate events on two different days), including the identification and training of faculty marshals, organizing each platform party and student lines of march and seating, coordination with facilities, the Graduate School, and with the Office of the President.

Committee and Advising Contributions

Faculty Mentor, University of Rhode Island Women's Varsity Gymnastics team
Member, URI Sabbatical Leave Review Committee, Office of the Provost
Member, Ranger Hall Capital Planning Committee
Alternate Faculty Member, Graduate Student Academic Dismissal Appeals Board
Member, Graduate Student Academic Dismissal Appeals Board
Member, Graduate Scholarships and Fellowships Committee, URI Graduate School
Member, University of Rhode Island Search Committee, Dean of Admission
Advisor, Nutrition Club, Department of Nutrition
Member, Joint Strategic Planning Committee, Student Engagement Sub-Committee
Chair, Associate Dean of Nursing Search Committee
Member, Part Time Faculty Union (PTFU) Negotiating Team
University AAUP Grievance Hearing Officer
Member, Graduate Programs Task Force
Member, President's Commission on the Status of Women

Professional Development Presentations and Parent Orientation (career list upon request)

Upon the request of the Office of the Provost, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Dean of the College of Human Science and Services, Vice President of Student Affairs, The Advance Program, Office of Research and Economic Development, Office of Advancement, University College and CCRI, I have provided presentations spanning a number of topics including those related to faculty success (how to secure research funding, the history of the Land Grant University System, mentoring best practices, tips for success as a new faculty member, how to engage in interdisciplinary research and outreach), and, those related to improving work-life quality (how to care for an aging parent, how to eat healthfully while working full time, weight loss). In addition, University College asked me to represent the best teaching that the University had to offer, by providing in-class simulations for parents during new student orientation cycles.

URI Professional Service

Executive Board Member, South County Area Health Education Center (Rhode Island AHEC)
Reviewer for Multi-State Experiment Station Proposals
Provided external reviews for other institutions seeking input on promotion and tenure decisions
Provided ad hoc reviews for USDA grants programs
Consultant, State of Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs
Consultant, State of Rhode Island Department of Human Services

AWARDS and APPOINTMENTS

2010-2011 - Member, President's Commission on the Status of Women, University of Rhode Island

2004 - Outreach Excellence Award, University of Rhode Island

2004 & 2005 - Invited Panel Member, USDA/CSREES NRI Human Nutrition & Obesity Grants Program

2004 - Invited Member, National Committee for World Food Day, Washington, DC.

2000- 2011 - Adjunct Faculty Member, the Rhode Island Geriatric Education Center (RIGEC), University of Rhode Island, Rhode Island College and Brown University

1999 - Teaching Excellence Award, University of Rhode Island, College of the Environment and Life Sciences

1991-1992 – Czaikowski Community Nutrition Scholar, University of Connecticut

1988-1989 – President, The Connecticut Dietetic Association (elected by a membership of over 1,200 professionals)

1988-1989 – Traveler's Center on Aging Fellowship, University of Connecticut

1986-1987 – Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year, Connecticut, American Dietetic Association

Other Leadership Activities

Agriculture and Food Research Initiative Panel Manager, USDA, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Coordinated Agricultural Projects, Human Nutrition, Washington, DC, 2010

Participated in research panel selection, proposal review assignments and review protocol for \$25 million national research grants program focused on reducing childhood obesity; advised USDA/NIFA National Program Leaders and Director on process and outcomes; produced program reports and made procedural recommendations.

National Research Initiative Panel Manager, USDA/CSREES Human Nutrition and Obesity Program, Washington, DC, 2007-2008 and 2008-2009

Coordinated national research panel selection, proposal review assignments and review protocol for \$11 million national research grants program; coordinated a week-long panel review process; advised USDA/CSREES National Program Leaders and Director on process and outcomes; produced program reports and made procedural recommendations.

USDA/CSREES LEAD-21 National Leadership Academy Certificate (2005-2006)

Acceptance to and participation in, the year-long USDA/CSREES LEAD-21 National Leadership Academy. The purpose of LEAD-21 is to develop leaders in Land Grant institutions. This intensive training program explored different models of leadership and their application to higher education, and enhanced leadership practice in ten core areas of competence.

Elected Chair, USDA AES NE-1023: Regional Research Group on Aging (2004-2008)

The USDA AES-1023 project is a multi-state research collaboration coordinating the activities of 9 states and the District of Columbia (Universities of Rhode Island, DC, Maine, Massachusetts, Maryland, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, New York, Minnesota and New Hampshire). The candidate provided leadership as the elected Chairperson for this group for four years, and was an active member from 1995-2008. This multi-state project investigates various aspects of nutritional risk in older adults and identifies relationships between selected disease states, nutrient intake and phytochemical, carotenoid and whole grain foods intake; as Chair, the candidate was responsible for the coordination, development and submission of the 4-year multi-state proposal, for the review of progress toward goals, and, for the submission of progress reports and project termination reports to USDA.

USDA Higher Education Multicultural Scholars Panel Member, 2006

Served as a member of a panel evaluating proposals designed to increase the multicultural diversity of the food and agricultural scientific and professional workforce and advance the educational achievement and potential for more diverse populations. The program awarded competitive grants to colleges and universities to support initiatives, programs and provide student scholarships.

NSF ADVANCE Leadership Team - University of Rhode Island (2005-2011) UNC Charlotte (2011-2018)

Served as a member of a National Science Foundation program designed to enhance the academic careers of women in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math disciplines (STEM); member of the faculty development committee for Advance; works to support an improved work climate for women faculty, graduate students, research faculty and staff, as well as all employees of the University; served as a mentor to junior female and male faculty in the life and social sciences.