

Sara A. Wagner, MS, RD

EDUCATION

Master of Science in Human Nutrition 2010
University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
Non Thesis Research: *The effect of verbal prompting on vegetable consumption in middle school students*

Dietetic Internship (CADE Accredited) 2000
University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, Green Bay, WI

PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATION

Commission of Dietetic Registration of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics – Registered Dietitian

UNIVERSITY TEACHING AND LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Director, Didactic Program in Nutrition and Dietetics 2011-present
Department of Human Biology
University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, Green Bay, WI

Implement educational standards and competencies required by Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND). Prepare annual reports and program accreditation documents (5 year-program assessment) for accrediting agency. Create measureable outcomes and data collection tools to effectively assess and evaluate student learning and program goals. Successfully collaborate with UWGB faculty and staff to insure compliance with all program standards. Develop policies and procedures for effective management of all components of the program. Assure all ACEND standards, policies and procedures to maintain program accreditation. Advise students for course registration, internships, independent studies, and post-graduate plans. Write student letters of recommendation for employment opportunities, graduate school, dietetic internships, and awards. Collaborate with community partners to create practicum, internship, and volunteer opportunities for students. Effectively market the program to recruit new and prospective students.

Lecturer 2002-present
Department of Human Biology
University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, Green Bay, WI

Courses Taught: *Childhood Obesity, Ethnic Influences in Nutrition, Management in Dietetic Practice, Food and Nutritional Health, Nutritional Science Seminar, Survey of Nutrition Related Professions, Medical Nutrition Therapy I and II, and a variety of internships, teaching assistantships and independent studies*

Instruct upper and lower level nutritional sciences courses by utilizing a variety of teaching techniques to meet the needs of diverse learners. Mentor students and facilitate preparedness to practice as future dietetic professionals. Receive consistently positive course evaluations from students.

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HONORS AND AWARDS

Student Nominated Teaching Award Nominee, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, 2012, -13, -14, -16, -17

Student Nominated Teaching Award – Early Career, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, 2015

NRHH Faculty/Staff Member of the Month, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, 2013 and 2014

Margene Wagstaff Fellowship for Innovation in Dietetics Education, Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics, 2013

NRHH Faculty/Staff Member of the Year, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, 2012

Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year, Wisconsin Dietetic Association, 2010

GRANTS AND FUNDING

Recipient, Sandmire Grants in Aid Funding, “The Effect of Food Sampling and Point of Sale Marketing on Food Selection of Food Pantry Participants”, Fall 2017

Recipient, MCW Professional Development Funding, Fall 2017

Recipient, Produce for Better Health Foundation Grocery Store Tour Grant, Fall 2016

Recipient, Grant in Aid of Research from UW-Green Bay – “The Effect of Human Patient Simulation Activities on the Clinical Competence of Dietetic Students at UWGB”, Spring 2013

Recipient, Matching Grant Funding for the Grant in Aid of Research from the Northeastern Wisconsin Health Education Center, Spring 2013

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Connect current students with dietetics alumni and community professionals through launch of a fall and spring professional development series for students. Spring 2016-present

Facilitate launch of Instagram account, web-site redesign, and updating and expansion of student handbook for the undergraduate dietetics program. Summer 2015-present

Design and launch of MS in Nutrition and Integrated Health at UW-Green Bay: Contributed to successful RFP for new graduate programs at UW-Green Bay. Facilitated team meetings and drafted an approved Intent to Plan document for the UW System. Presented plans to Chancellor and Board of Trustees. Attend planning meetings and provide input for ACIS approval. Fall 2014-present

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Institute a series of four monthly extracurricular DICAS meetings for students who are interested in applying to dietetic internships. DICAS application meetings have been one of the strategies to assist in achieving a 93% dietetic internship match rate for graduating seniors over the last three years (compared to the 50% national average). Fall 2014-present

Collaborated with Dr. Debra Pearson to conceptualize a culinary medicine workshop promoting interdisciplinary collaboration between current MCW students and upper level nutrition students. Co-wrote successful IRB proposal and assisted in program design and facilitation. Fall 2016

Collected and analyzed program data to assess accreditation standards for ACEND. Wrote comprehensive 5-year program assessment report to maintain continued program accreditation. Summer 2015-Spring 2016

UNIVERSITY SERVICE AND COMMITTEES

Chair, Individual Major Committee, Fall 2017-present

Academic Actions Committee, Fall 2016-present

Phoenix Students for Life Faculty Advisor, Fall 2015-present

Faculty Mentor for adjunct instructor Laura Rowell, Fall 2014-present

Healthy Fork Faculty Advisor – Fall 2014-present

Campus Kitchen Advisory Board Member – Spring 2014-present

Dietetic Internship Selection Committee Member, Spring 2012 - present

FOCUS Advisor for Incoming UW-Green Bay Freshman, June 2012 – present

Active participant in UWGB marketing and enrollment initiatives (Campus Preview Day presenter, Science Open House Tour Guide, Drop-in Student Advisor, area high school career fairs and presentations) Fall 2012-present

Dietetic Internship Steering Committee Member, Fall 2011-present

Center for Food in Community and Culture Member, Fall 2011 – present

Volunteer Judge, National History Day Event through the UWGB Archives. March 2017

Marketing Team Member, 2017 Red Cross Dancing With our Stars Campaign for UWGB's Ryan Martin, Summer 2016-Spring 2017

Search and Screen Committee Member: Dean of the College of Science and Technology, Spring 2016

Common Theme Selected Proposal: Food for Thought, Spring 2016

Search and Screen Committee Member: Campus Visit Coordinator Position – Fall, 2015

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Health and Safety Committee Member – 2014-2015 academic year

Faculty Advisor, AHEC Interprofessional Healthcare Case Competition Students– 2014-2015 academic year

University Leadership Awards Selection Committee Member, Fall 2012 and Spring 2013

Healthy Choices Task Force Member, Summer 2012-Spring 2013

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Presented talk on sports nutrition basics to staff and students. Simply Ballroom, LLC, Green Bay. July 19, 2016.

Presented talk on evidence-based lifestyle medicine in the field of nutrition to Association for Integrative and Contemporary Medicine student group. Medical College of Wisconsin. Feb 9, 2015.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND OTHER CERTIFICATIONS

American Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Member

Serv Safe Certified

Green Bay Area Dietitians Past President

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Cancer Fighting Diet (Dr. Johannes F. Coy) Self Study, Helm Publishing, Summer 2017

NIH Protecting Human Research Participants Certificate Renewal, October 2016

Community-based Service Learning Institute Workshop, UW-Green Bay, Summer 2016

Wisconsin Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Annual Conference, Wisconsin Dells, WI, April 2016

Kognito: Veterans awareness online training, UW-Green Bay, Spring 2016

Nutrition and Dietetic Educators and Preceptors Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, March 2015

Women in Science Conference for new STEM Educators, Rothschild, WI, September 2013

Doctorate-Level Course: *Nutrition Informatics*, Rutgers University, Summer 2013

Wisconsin Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Annual Conference, Stevens Point, WI, April 2013

Nutrition and Dietetic Educators and Preceptors Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO, March 2013

UW-Green Bay Faculty Development Conference: *Teaching and Learning in the Digital Age*, January 2013

PAST AND RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

Quality Assurance Specialist in Food Service

2002-2011

Green Bay Area Public Schools, Green Bay, Wisconsin

Managed the production and distribution of more than 13,000 meals daily while overseeing the efforts of more than 120 Food Service Department staff. Ensured food safety by implementing a HACCP and quality assurance plan for the department. Monitored compliance of USDA regulations for menu planning and nutrient standards. Worked closely with food service staff members to modify recipes to lower fat and sodium, while increasing fiber and nutrients. Wrote and received grants to improve nutrition education efforts throughout the school district and Green Bay community.

Team Nutrition Instructor

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, Madison, Wisconsin

2001-2004

Assessed participant learning needs and created interactive, behavior-based workshops. Assisted learners in developing individual goals and district policies with the goal of improving the school nutrition environment.

Food Service Director

Freedom Area School District, Freedom, Wisconsin

2000-2002

Oversaw all aspects of food service procurement, distribution, and service. Planned K-12 lunch menus to meet program goals. Increased total hot lunch participation by over ten percent. Produced a \$20,000 fund balance turnaround. Increased dining time at the elementary level by five minutes per student.