

# News and Views

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For Alumni, Students, Associates and Friends of FSHN IFAS, College of Agricultural & Life Sciences, University of Florida



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### Alumni & Friends

#### Ellen Bowser, RDN (MS '89) 2019 FAND Outstanding Dietitian of the Year



Ellen Bowser (MS'89) is both a Registered Dietitian and a Registered Nurse at the UF Pediatric Pulmonary Center (PPC), a role where she has served as a preceptor for many MS-DI interns. A brief bio can be found here. She authored two chapters in the most recent version of the textbook Nutrition Through the Life Cycle. She also serves as a member of our UF Dietetics Advisory Board. Per Ellen, "I love that my position allows me to work with children and families in an out-patient settling, with dietetics students from several different programs, and I learn something new every day." She advises recent graduates, "Don't stop asking questions! Find a mentor or someone who you admire. Stay professionally active – either with your local dietetic organization or through a dietetic practice group." Congratulations, **Ellen!** 

#### IFT 2019: New Orleans





This year, the IFT19 Expo returned to New Orleans before its future stint in Chicago. We were welcomed by the **NOLA Gator Club** for the annual Florida Party at the local venue, The District. It was a pleasure to socialize with alumni and friends, At the same time, we thoroughly enjoyed meeting our Gator friends from New Orleans. Check out some of the photos from the events! Thanks again to everyone who stopped by to see us.

Congratulations, Jessica Yomano (BS Dietetics, '17). She was recognized as Outstanding Dietetics **Student of the Year for North Carolina.** Jessica just finished her MS-DI at Appalachian State.

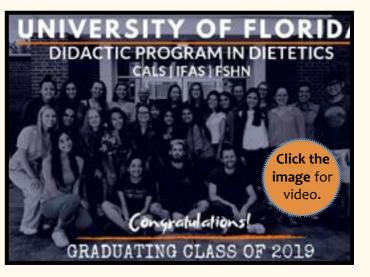
## Department Activities

The year of 2019 has been busy and productive for the FSHN Department! In addition to the numerous earned awards (see pages 4-5), our students were successful outside the classroom, competing in the IFTSA College Bowl Competition, attending conferences, volunteering, and of course, graduating with jobs and Dietetics Internships. Furthermore, as a department, we celebrated Dr. Jesse Gregory's retirement and shared our sincere thanks for his many years of service. We can't wait for the Fall activities!











Above: One hundred percent of the DPD class matched with an internship. Check out their video! Congrats to Dr. B. Gankofskie & the Dietetics faculty on the DPD program's continued success.

#### **Congratulations, Dr. Jesse Gregory, on your retirement!**

Dr. Jesse Gregory retired from the FSHN Department after 41 years, 5 months, and 10 days. Over that time, he worked with 126 graduate students and produced high impact research & publications. Words cannot express our gratitude regarding his dedication over the years. Many thanks, and we wish you the very best in retirement! Enjoy some photos of **Dr. Gregory** over the years.



## **Awards & Recognition**

FSHN Faculty, Staff, and Students received an unprecedented number of awards in Spring 2019. **Congratulations to all!** 

### Student Spotlight





1. S. Percival & E. Turner with J. Wheelock (nominee) & S. Galvez (winner) of the Larry J. Connor Medal of Excellence 2. C. Bracey-Santiago, R. Gordon, & J. Lee (William L. and Agnes F. Brown Graduate Scholarship ecipients) 3.S. Koltun (Juice Products Association recipient), E. Turner & Rick Plank 4. S. Percival & R. Morgan (Outstanding Senior in Nutritional Sciences) 5. S. Percival & A. Starcher (Outstanding Senior in Dietetics) 6. Jackie Shannon (UF Club Officer of the Year) 7. C. Aurelia, K. Esterline, V. Vancil, P. Sinclair, S. Hricik, & M. Atlas (Earl Wilmot Hartt Scholarship recipients) 8. S. Percival & P. Sinclair (Outstanding Senior in Food Science)

### Staff Spotlight

Right: Shelia Parker-Hall (Fiscal Assistant III) was selected to pariticipate in the LEAD IFAS Cohort 11. Chosen from a competitive pool of applicants, Shelia will engage in the professional development leadership program designed specifically for IFAS faculty & staff. Congratulations!



November. Shelia has worked in **FSHN** for 30 years!



**CALS Undergraduate Teacher of the Year:** Laura Acosta, MS, RDN, LDN

**CALS Graduate** Teacher/Advisor of the Year:



### Faculty Spotlight





**Utility Patent Honoree, IFAS Research:** 

Dr. Susan Percival

**Excellence in Multistate Research Award:** Dr. K. Schneider &

Dr. M. Danyluk's S1056 research group

**High Impact Research Publications, IFAS** Research: Dr. A. Mathews

2019 APA Distinguished **Scientific Award:** Dr. Linda Bartoshuck

**Richard Jones New Faculty Research Award** Dr. Yu Wang

**Innovation in Teaching** Award: **Dr. Andrew MacIntosh** 

... To Name a Few of our Recognized Faculty!