Congratulations to Fall 2018 Graduates!
Where are they now?

Dr. J. Bernadette Moore earned a BS degree in Nutrition & Fitness, along with a BS degree in Chemical Science from Florida State University (FSU). She worked under Dr. Robert Cousins and earned a PhD in Food Science & Human Nutrition (Nutritional Sciences concentration) in 2002. Dr. Moore currently serves as an Associate Professor in the School of Food Science & Human Nutrition at the University of Leeds in England. Her faculty profile demonstrates an impressive research career in the nutrition field. These efforts were recently acknowledged by The Nutrition Society UK.

Dr. Moore received the 2018 Silver Medal for her research entitled ‘From Sugar to Liver Fat and Public Health: Systems Biology Driven Studies in Understanding Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease Pathogenesis.’ Awarded annually, judging criteria includes external recognition in scholarships and awards, leadership of innovative research, and contributions to conferences and professional societies, evidence of extensive academic publications, and evidence of a record of sustained research. The FSHN Department is very proud to call Dr. J. Bernadette Moore an alum.

Congratulations to her on present (and future) accomplishments!

J. Bernadette Moore (PhD ’02)
2018 Silver Medal Award Winner

Sean Campbell (BS ’14, MS ’16)
2018 Young Minds Award Winner

Sean Campbell earned both BS & MS degrees in Food Science & Human Nutrition (Food Science concentration). He is a current doctoral student, specializing in Environmental Horticulture, at the UF/IFAS Mid-Florida Research & Education Center in Apopka. Recently, Sean won the Young Minds Award at the second World Beverage Conference in Xi’an Shaanxi in China. Sean received recognition for his presentation, “Estimation of leaf chlorophyll content of butterfly pea (Clitoria ternatea) as a function of fertilization utilizing a non-destructive, hand-held spectral analyzer.” He traveled to China with his graduate adviser, Dr. Brian Pearson. Sean enjoyed the experience both professionally and personally (see photos). Check out his interview with Angela Colonna for all the details! Congratulations, Sean!

Department Activities

The Fall semester always brings a fresh start for students, staff, and faculty. We participate in beloved traditions, including the FSHN Alumni & Friends Tailgate. However, at the same time, we experience new and exciting opportunities. Fall 2018 was no exception - especially with our renovated Pilot Plant. With great enthusiasm, we showcased the Experimental Foods Lab and Beverage Research Unit throughout the semester - and created quite the buzz around campus.

The FSHN Department hosted the first “Food Week” event in September. A collaborative effort, the week included multiple activities to highlight the FSHN activities. Dr. Macintosh, along with his graduate students, contributed to the event in multiple ways, including roasting coffee to creating sparkling water samples (to name a few). There were movie events, garden tours, and Taste Panel opportunities. We also hosted the first FSHN Master Chef competition in conjunction with the Hitchcock Pantry. The week was a success, and Florida Section IFT joined the fun - donating $500 to Field & Fork.

Sparkling water on a hot FL day? Yes, please!

Savannah Curtis demonstrates how to roast coffee beans.

L to R: Judges D. Edwards, D. Liebowitz, G. Mitchell, & R. Goodrich-Schneider with Master Chef winner, Jiwon Park (center)

Dr. Gloria Cagampang makes her special-recipe popcorn for the movie events!

Led by Dr. Beth Gankofskie, Dietetics students from Food Systems Management Lab prepared & served their final project in the Experimental Foods Lab for the first time.

At times, three different activities and/or classes occupy the newly renovated areas of the Pilot Plant. Photo: Students in Dr. Goodrich’s Fermentation class.
Department Activities

For the second year, Herschel Johnson (FSHN Adviser) traveled with four students to the Private Label Manufacturers Association (PLMA)’s Trade Show in Chicago. Students were selected through a competitive process, and during the trip, they networked with industry professionals. They were also paired with a vendor, attended lectures, and experienced a large expo.

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Student Spotlight

Julia Kady transferred into the Food Science program in Fall 2018. As soon as she started at UF, Julia pursued opportunities to explore her major and future career. In addition to supporting the food & culinary activities of the FSHN Club, Julia participated in the FSHN Master Chef competition. (See photo left - Photo Credit: CALS Dean’s Office). Her meal was quite delicious! Julia also attended the PLMA Trade Show in November. Her interest sparked, Julia applied for the position of Brand Ambassador for PLMA. With prior success as a food blogger, Julia pitched a You Tube video idea focused on budget-friendly meals for college students. Not only did she win the role of Brand Ambassador - but Julia will receive an amazing opportunity to film her YouTube ideas with Chef Judy in PLMA’s NYC studio. Clearly, Julia is a rising star in the FSHN Department and the Food Science field and perhaps the next Food Network celebrity! Congratulations!

Click the photo or scan the QR code for Peter’s video!

Hailing from the Chicago area, Peter Chiarelli will graduate with a Food Science degree in Spring 2019. Peter excels academically in his classes while managing multiple involvement activities on campus. In addition to FL Section IFT events and FSHN Club activities, Peter is a member of the UF Cheer team. He also works under Dr. MacIntosh in his research lab. Recently, the Agricultural Education & Communication (AEC) department recognized Peter’s many accomplishments, and he was featured in their video series (see left). Peter hopes to attend graduate school next year, and we expect great things from him in the future!

Faculty News

Congratulations, Dr. Keith Schneider!
Florida Fruit & Vegetable Association (FFVA) Researcher of the Year

Dr. Schneider (above left) accepts the award from Gary Wishnatzki (above right) of Wish Farms, chairman of FFVA’s research committee. Dr. Schneider poses with Dr. Jack Payne (above left), Senior Vice President for Agriculture & Natural Resources, at the award ceremony.

In September, Dr. Keith Schneider received the FFVA Researcher of the Year award. A well-deserved recognition, the award acknowledges 18 years of food safety work in the Florida produce industry. Per Dr. Schneider, his success has stemmed from extension outreach and collaboration with colleagues, including Dr. Michelle Danyluk, Dr. Renee Goodrich-Schneider, Dr. Steve Sargent, and other Florida Extension Agents and Specialists around the state. Despite being an individual award, Keith shared credit with these individuals who helped train and conduct research in produce safety over the years. In 2002, group of Food Science Extension Specialists started a food safety training program for farmers on Good Agricultural Practices (GAPS). This has led to many other programs, including Biosecurity, Food Recalls, Tomato GAPS (T-GAPS), and programs supporting the new Food Safety Modernization Act. In anrecent article (available here), Gary Wishnatzki states “Dr. Schneider is a steadfast leader in the food safety arena - not just in Florida, but throughout the country...He’s known for his ability to translate important research into useful and meaningful information for stakeholders.” Congratulations!

Congratulations, Dr. Wendy Dahl & Dr. Anne Mathews!
2019 class of Roche Teaching Scholars

The CALS Dean’s Office & CALS Teaching Resource Center recently announced the selection of the 2019 class of Roche Teaching Scholars. Both Dr. Wendy Dahl (left) and Dr. Anne Mathews (right) were selected to participate in Class 2 of the new program. The cohort will reflect on their teaching practices and examine their courses through an innovative lens, using tools learned in the program. The professional development opportunity prepares the next generation of teacher-leaders. Congratulations, and we are excited to see these practices in action!
POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT:
Assistant/Associate Professor - Seafood Specialist for Extension Services and Research

This is a 12-month, tenure-accruing position that will be 70% extension (Florida Cooperative Extension Service) and 30% research (Florida Agricultural Experiment Station) available in the FSHN Department. This assignment may change in accordance with the needs of the unit. The position also is affiliated with the Florida Sea Grant (FSG) College Program and serves as the FSG Seafood Specialist. Duties will include extension services and research addressing technical aspects of seafood and aquaculture product safety, quality and nutrition in both domestic and international commerce, as well as stakeholder interests in commerce and regulation from production and processing through food service and retail sectors. The faculty member is expected to be actively engaged in developing best management practices (including being an active participant in developing and rolling out an aquaculture HACCP program) for finfish and shellfish aquaculture in Florida. The faculty member interacts with and provides leadership for FSG extension agents who work in coastal communities around the state. The intent is to maintain the productivity and reputation of the established seafood technology program currently shared by FSHN and FSG, working cooperatively across departments, universities and related programs locally, nationally, and internationally. The common link is seafood commerce and consumption in Florida. Tenure will accrue in FSHN.

The successful candidate will participate actively in undergraduate and graduate education by chairing and serving on graduate committees, supervising thesis, dissertation and undergraduate research, and publishing research results with students. Faculty are encouraged to participate in professional development activities related to teaching and advising and may teach courses and seminars. The faculty member will actively seek contract and grant funding to support his/her program. The faculty member will engage in Extension activities in his or her program area related to aquaculture, safety and quality. Because of the IFAS land-grant mission, all faculty are expected to be supportive of and engaged in all three mission areas—Research, Teaching and Extension—regardless of the assignment split specified in the position description. For more details, click here. For full consideration, candidates should apply and submit materials by February 8, 2019. The position will remain open until a viable applicant pool is determined.