

KELLY J. WHITEHAIR, PhD, RD, LD

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Education

- Ph.D. *Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, 2011*
Human Ecology
Dissertation: "Investigation of Strategies to Decrease Food Waste in College and University Foodservice"
- M.S. *Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, 2004*
Foodservice, Hospitality Management, and Dietetics Administration
Thesis: "Food Safety Practices of Independent Living Older Adults and Barriers to These Practices"
- R.D. *Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, MO, 2002*
Dietetic Didactic Internship
- B.S. *Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, 2001*
Nutrition and Kinesiology

Professional Experience

- 2012- Present *Kansas State University, Dept. of Hospitality Management and Dietetics
Manhattan, KS*
Instructor
- Environmental Issues in Hospitality (Distance)
 - Principles of Food Production Management (Distance)
 - Foodservice Systems Management (Campus)
- 2011-2012 *Kansas State Housing and Dining Services, Manhattan, KS*
Instructor
- Co-instruct dietetics and hospitality management students in the laboratory section of Food Production Management course
 - Topics include: food science, food quality, food production, general food management theories
 - Assess and give feedback to students on assignments and projects
- 2004-2012 *Kansas State Housing and Dining Services, Manhattan, KS*
University Foodservice, Assistant Unit Director
- Manage and direct dining center food production operations
 - Hire, schedule, and manage student employee workforce for operation serving approximately 1,200 meals per day
 - Evaluate quality, quantity, and safety of foods produced
 - Inventory and ordering of food and non-food supplies
 - Mentoring and evaluation of Coordinated Program student dietitians
 - Nutrition analysis and maintenance of Computrition system
 - Assist in the planning of special event and nutrition education programs
- 2002-2004 *Kansas State Housing and Dining Services, Manhattan, KS*
University Foodservice, Kitchen Manager
- Managed scholarship house kitchen with 46 female residents

2000-2001 *Kansas State Department of Hospitality Management and Dietetics, Manhattan, KS*
Undergraduate Teaching Assistant for Dr. Rebecca Gould

1994-2000 *Memorial Community Hospital, Blair, NE*
Diet Aide, Cook, Housekeeping

Presentations

Whitehair, K.J., Shanklin, C.W., Brannon, L.A. (October, 2012). *Written Messages Improve Edible Food Waste Behaviors in a University Dining Facility*. Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo, poster presentation.

Whitehair, K.J. (September, 2012). *We Are What We Do – Sustainability in Foodservice*. Western Kansas Dietetic Association Conference, invited speaker.

Whitehair, K.J. (March, 2011). *Factors Affecting Edible Tray Waste in a University Dining Facility*. Kansas State Sustainability Conference, poster presentation.

Teaching

Kansas State University

HMD 342 Food Production Management (team taught)

Associations and Service

Kansas State University

2011-Present Kansas State University Phi Kappa Phi Scholarship Awards Committee

2011-Present Kansas State University Campus Recycling and Sustainability Committee

2007-Present Dietetics Program Advisory Committee, Kansas State University

2004-Present Kansas State Housing & Dining Services Nutrition Education Committee

Professional Associations and Service

2011-Present Kansas Nutrition Council, Member

2002-Present Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Member

2002-Present Kansas Dietetic Association, Member

2005-2008 Kaw Valley Dietetic Association, Special Issues Chair, President

2004-Present National Association of College and University Foodservice, Member

2009-Present Food and Culinary Professionals Practice Group, Member

2007-2012 Sports, Cardiovascular and Wellness Nutritionist Practice Group, Member

2006 Commission on Dietetic Registration, RD Exam Item Review

2004 Commission on Dietetic Registration, RD Exam Writing Workshop

Honors and Awards

2012 KSU Departmental EcoRep Environmental Impact Award (team award)

2011 Phi Kappa Phi Collegiate Honor Society

2010 KSU College of Human Ecology Dissertation Research Award

2010 Kappa Omicron Nu, National Honor Society for Human Sciences

2009 Joan Coleman Graduate Fellowship

2008 The Myrna Jean Adee Scholarship

2000 Kansas Outstanding Dietetic Student Award