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CREDENTIALS

Registered Dietitian, The Commission on Dietetic Registration
Licensed Dietitian, The State of Alabama Board of Examiners
ServSafe© Certified Instructor/Registered Proctor, National Restaurant Association

EDUCATION

2008 – 2012 M.S. Clinical Nutrition, University of Alabama at Birmingham
2011 – 2012 Graduate Certificate – Advanced Counseling, Narrative Therapy
Seattle School of Psychology and Theology, The Allender Center
2004 – 2008 Ph.D. Health Education & Health Promotion, University of Alabama at
Birmingham
Eta Sigma Gamma Honor Society
2000 – 2004 M.Ed. Early Childhood, University of Alabama at Birmingham
Kappa Delta Epsilon Honor Society
1997 – 1998 M.S.C.C. Counseling, Cairn University, Langhorne, PA
1975 – 1979 B.S. Home Economics, The University of Alabama
Major: Food, Nutrition and Institutional Management (Dietetics)
Phi Upsilon Omicron Honor Society

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2016 – 2024 Auburn University, AL
Assistant/Associate Professor & Graduate Faculty, Nutritional Sciences Department
2014 – 2016 Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA
Assistant Professor & Graduate Faculty, School of Health & Kinesiology
2012 – 2014 Baylor University, Waco, TX
Assistant Professor & Graduate Faculty, Department of Family & Consumer
Sciences
2009 – 2012 University of Montevallo, AL
Assistant Professor & Graduate Faculty, College of Education & Human
Development

HEALTHCARE EXPERIENCE

1984 – 2000 Registered, Licensed Dietitian (Clinical Dietitian, Assistant Manager, Consultant
Dietitian), Morrison Health Care/Dietitian Associates, Southeast Region
1983 – 1984 Clinical Dietitian, Jackson Hospitals and Clinics, Montgomery, AL
1980 – 1981 Clinical Dietitian, University of Alabama Hospitals, Birmingham, AL
1979 – 1980 Clinical Dietitian, Baptist Medical Center, Princeton, Birmingham, AL

AWARDS AND HONORS

2021 Fellow of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (FAND)
2019 SGA Outstanding Faculty Member Award for the College of Human Sciences
2018 Outstanding Alumni Award, School of Education, University of Alabama at Birmingham
2009 Herbert M. Handley Outstanding Dissertation Award Competition Finalist
2008 Vice President, Beta Chi Chapter, Eta Sigma Gamma
2008 Outstanding Health Education Doctoral Student, University-wide award, University of
Alabama at Birmingham
2007 Human Studies Outstanding Health Education Doctoral Student, Department-wide award,
University of Alabama at Birmingham

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Key, J., **Burnett, D.**, Babu, J. R., & Geetha, T. (2023). The Effects of Food Environment on Obesity in Children: A Systematic Review. *Children*, 10(1), 98.

Richter, E., Geetha, T., **Burnett, D.**, Broderick, T. L., & Babu, J. R. (2023). The Effects of *Momordica charantia* on Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus and Alzheimer's Disease. *International Journal of Molecular Sciences*, 24(5), 4643.

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Allegro, D., Parmer, S., Funderburk, K., & **Burnett, D.** (2021). Alabama food security and access during the COVID-19 pandemic. NFACT Policy Brief.
<https://www.nfactresearch.org/policybriefs>.

Williams, A., Jeganathan, R.B., Wadsworth, D., **Burnett, D.** and Thangiah, G. (2020). The effects of Vitamin D on metabolic profiles of women with polycystic ovarian syndrome: A systematic review. *Hormone and Metabolic Research*, DOI: 10.1055/a-1160-9902.

Evans, R.R. & **Burnett, D.O.** (2020). Perceptions of College Weight Gain: An Exploratory Study. *College Student Journal*, 54(2), 228-240.

SELECTED PRESENTATION ABSTRACTS

Duffrin, M., Holben, D., Evans, R., Wang, C., **Burnett, D.**, Henes, S., Baum, A., De Chabert-Ros, J., Diaz, S. (2022). The FoodMASTER Initiative Deep South Network: Impacting STEM Education Learning Environments with Food-Based Activities. *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics*, 122(10), A118. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jand.2022.08.079>.

Burnett, D. (2022). Perceptions of dietetics majors regarding career choices including foodservice management. *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics*, 122(10), A118.

Burnett, D. & Evans, R. (2021). Barriers to evaluating psychological factors related to food and weight concerns by US registered dietitians. *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics*, Vol. 121(9) Suppl., 18.

Burnett, D., Blackmon, K., & Evans, R. (2020). Perceptions of dietetics students regarding college weight gain. *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics*, 120(9) Suppl., A28.

Burnett, D., Tolman, A., & Bloser, P. (2020). Perceptions of U.S. Registered Dietitian Nutritionists on performance and value of Certified Dietary Managers. *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics*, 120(9) Suppl., A28.

Burnett, D. & Evans, R. (2019). Evaluating psychological factors related to food and weight concerns: 10-year follow-up study with US registered dietitian nutritionists. *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics*, 119(10), A111.

Burnett, D. & Lee, Y.M. (2018). Assessing the effectiveness of ServSafe® Online: A pilot study. *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics*, 118(9) Suppl., A46.

Burnett, D. & Evans, R. (2017). Changes from 2008 to 2013 in U.S. RD interest and preferred format for continuing professional education related to evaluation psychological factors related to food and weight concerns and making referrals. *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics*, 117(10), A-127.