Dear NHS Students, Faculty, and Alumni,

Please join us in congratulating Nick Deputy, Nicole Ford and Sheela Sinharoy for successfully defending their dissertations this semester (more details below)!

As always, please let us know about any of your accomplishments and feel free to email us (kkdenni@emory.edu; shruthi.cyriac@emory.edu; rejone4@emory.edu) with any feedback or events that you want listed!

Cheers,

Kristine, Shruthi, & Becca
**3rd Annual Community Engagement Research Program Forum: Understanding Resilience in Undeserved Communities: From Research to Reality**

*When:* April 27-28  
*Where:* Atlanta Technical College  
Registration and more information [here](#)  

**Academic and Industry Intersection Conference:**  
*From Sensors to Big Data: Personalized & Population Health in the Digital Age*  
*When:* May 10, 9:00 am - 1:30 pm  
*Where:* Georgia Tech Research Institute  
See [here](#) for more information.  

**Society for Pediatric and Perinatal Epidemiologic Research (SPER) 2017:**  
The work presented at SPER's Annual Meeting represents the cutting edge of research in the epidemiology of pregnancy, infancy, and childhood, bringing together epidemiologists, pediatricians, developmental psychologists, environmental specialists, and more.  
*Early registration deadline May 15.*  
Get more details and submit your abstract [here](https://sper.org/annual-meeting/abstract-submission/)  
*When:* June 19-20, 2017  
*Where:* Seattle, Washington  

**Experimental Biology (EB) 2017**  
More information and link to registration [here](#)  
*When:* April 22-26.  
*Where:* Chicago, IL  

**IUNS 21st International Congress of Nutrition : Abstract submissions open**  
The IUNS-ICN International Congress of Nutrition is a four yearly meeting that’s been held since 1946. Its 21st edition will be based in Buenos Aires for the first time in its history.  
*Regular registration deadline August 31.*  
*When:* October 15-20, 2017  
*Where:* Buenos Aires, Argentina
**Wednesday, April 5th at 4pm: 3 Minute Thesis Final Round**  
**Where:** Center for Ethics, Room 102  
Watch LGS students compete for cash prizes in this year’s 3MT Competition as students explain their research projects to a non-specialist audience in three minutes or less!

**Wednesday, April 5th at 5:30pm: Dutch Hunger Winter**  
Tessa Roseboom, Professor, Academic Medical Center, Amsterdam, Netherlands  
**Where:** Psychology (PAIS) Building, Room 290

**Thursday, April 6th at 2pm: Is Pregnancy an Appropriate Time to Intervene in Order to Improve Long-term Offspring Health?**  
Kevin Pearson, PhD, Associate Professor, Dept. of Pharmacology and Nutritional Sciences, University of Kentucky  
**Where:** CNR2001

**Monday, April 10 at 4pm: The Right Treatment for the Right Patient (at the Right Time): Precision Medicine through Treatment Regimes and SMARTs**  
Marie Davidian, PhD, North Carolina State University  
**Where:** Klamon Room, CNR8030

**Thursday, April 13th at noon: CCMN Nutrition Seminar**  
*Folate Dietary Insufficiency and Folic Acid Supplementation Similarly Impair Metabolism and Compromise B-lymphopoiesis in Mice*  
Curtis J. Henry, PhD, Department of Pediatrics, Emory School of Medicine  
**Where:** SOM170A

**Summer School on Development Policy (Bonn, Germany) – deadline April 7th**  
The Summer School addresses graduate and postgraduate students from any field of study. It will take place from **July 31 to August 11, 2017**. The program is conducted in English.  
See [www.developmentpolicy.uni-bonn.de](http://www.developmentpolicy.uni-bonn.de) for more information

**RSPH Grant Writing Tools**  
All presentations from the RSPH grant writing workshops are now available [here](http://www.developmentpolicy.uni-bonn.de)!  

**Emory Writing Center**  
The Emory Writing Center is open during the summer and is temporarily located in the Math and Science Center building, room E301. Hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 12:00pm until 6:00pm. Make use of this great resource right on campus. Appointment can be made [here](http://www.developmentpolicy.uni-bonn.de)!

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**NHS ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

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Three NHS students successfully defended their dissertations in February and March.  
Congratulations Nicole, Sheela and Nick!

Nick Deputy, 5th year

**Nicole Ford, 4th year**
Nicole defended her dissertation "Early Life Nutrition, Adult Diet, and Cardio-Metabolic Disease in Rural Guatemala" on February 10.

**Ashley Holmes, 5th year**
Ashley's article, "Descriptive characteristics of colon and rectal cancer recurrence in a Danish population-based study", was published in Acta Oncologica.

**Rebecca Jones, 2nd Year**
Rebecca presented at the Young Demographer’s Association in Prague at the end of February on "Economic Development and Associations with Growth of Preschool Children in Middle East and North Africa Region”.

**Sheela Sinharoy, 4th year**
Sheela defended her dissertation "Women’s Empowerment and Women’s Nutrition in Rural and Urban Bangladesh” on February 14.

**Joseph Roberts, 2nd Year**
Joe’s article with Dr. Stein was published in the March issue of Advances in Nutrition.
Year of graduation: Summer 2014

Dissertation advisor: Rey Martorell

Dissertation title: Iron and folic acid supplementation during pregnancy: improving program content and strategies

Current work:

Amanda was awarded the Humboldt Postdoctoral Research Fellowship to conduct research in rural Bangladesh within the Food and Agricultural to Reducing Malnutrition (FAARM) trial.

The FAARM trial is a cluster-randomized trial that investigates the potential of a food-based dietary diversification strategy to reduce undernutrition among women and young children. FAARM’s primary intervention group consists of young married women, a population that traditionally lacks power and status in Bangladeshi households. The intervention is based on Helen Keller International’s enhanced homestead food production model, which involves training rural women’s groups in vegetable gardening, fruit tree production and poultry rearing along with nutrition and hygiene.
The Humboldt Research Fellowship targets highly-qualified scientists and scholars from abroad who have completed their doctorates less than four years ago for extended periods of research (6-24 months) in Germany in coordination with an academic host at a research institution in Germany.

**Advice for NHS students:**

Be a collector of mentors; it’s impossible to expect one person to guide and mentor your entire professional development. Mentors can be anyone: professors, alumni, fellow students, etc. Anyone who can give you advice and help you get where you are trying to go. And you can be a mentor too! :)

Find a graduating or recently graduated student and ask them about what they did (administratively) to graduate. At least in my experience, there were so many signatures and forms that kept cropping up and it was hard to keep everything straight. However, beware that within a month or two, graduates have successfully blocked out all of this running around and therefore are not much help anymore...

If you would like to find out more about the Humboldt Research Fellowship, my current research, life in Germany, or anything else - I would be happy to talk with any current NHS-ers! And if you find yourself in the area, please let me know and I can give you a tour of my new home!

**Email:** amanda.wendt@uni-heidelberg.de

Information about the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation: [https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/home.html](https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/home.html)

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**OPPORTUNITIES**

*(AGGREGATED HERE SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO SEARCH THROUGH HUNDREDS OF ARCHIVED EMAILS)*

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**New Course Opportunity - Fall 2017**
Computational Systems Biology: EH 590R – see syllabus here

**Course: Emory Foundations for Online Teaching – first summer session**
Free for LGS students, this five-week course aims to give instructors first-hand experience in online teaching and learning. Each week is about 3 to 4 hours of work. The course covers: best practices for and methodology behind online teaching; instructional design; tools and technologies; and Emory resources for online education. Participants must have a computer with internet access, webcam, and a headset/microphone. There will be no face-to-face meetings, so the course can be taken from anywhere with internet access. Fill out this [Google form by April 30.](#)

**Lunch and Learn: Can Profit be Sustainable? – April 7**
Lunch-and-Learn about how profit-driven, large corporations can positively impact society and the environment, and how to get a job working for a sustainability oriented corporation. Jarami Bond, Sustainability Manager at Interface, Inc., the world’s largest manufacturer of commercial carpet tile, will share Interface’s story of leadership and discuss how to develop your own sustainability leadership journey. Come eat pizza, listen and learn! April 7, 12-1pm, 252 Rita Anne Rollins Bldg (Candler School of Theology). Click here to RSVP.

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**Rotation Opportunities**
Rotation opportunities are available with Venkat Narayan, Lisa Staimez, Carmen Marsit, Mohammed Ali, Amy Webb Girard, and many others. Please see [here](http://www.atlanta.net/events/detail/sweetwater-420-festival-2017/103831/) for updated list of rotation opportunities.

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**LOCAL EVENTS**
(ATLANTA HAPPENINGS INVOLVING FOOD & DRINK)

**Friday-Sunday, April 7-9: Atlanta Dogwood Festival**
See fine art, hear live music, and enjoy fair food at the highly regarded [Atlanta Dogwood Festival](http://www.atlanta.net/events/detail/sweetwater-420-festival-2017/103831/) and 5K at Piedmont Park. No pets. Free. Buy tickets in advance for two food events on Saturday:

- April 8 (1 to 5 p.m.) Backyard Bites & Brews - Discount VIP tickets $30.
- April 9 (12 to 3 p.m.) Backyard Brunch

**Saturday, April 8: Morningside Oyster Fest**
Outdoor Oyster Roast in the heart of Morningside at Morningside Kitchen. $40 will buy you access to the event featuring Live Music, Cocktails by American Spirit Whiskey, and fresh Oysters, Roasted, Raw and Stewed. [https://www.culinarylocal.com/event/morningside-oyster-fest/](https://www.culinarylocal.com/event/morningside-oyster-fest/)

**April 21-23: SweetWater 420 Festival**

**April 29-30: Inman Park Festival**
Inman Park Festival highlights include a well-known street market featuring local art, the Inman Park Tour of Homes showcasing the stunning Victorian homes of the late 1800s, a 5k run where participants are encouraged to come in costume and the famed Inman Park Festival parade of eclectic fun. The event includes children's activities, live music and dance featuring some of the finest ballet and modern dance companies Atlanta has to offer. More details here: http://www.atlanta.net/events/inman-park-festival/