



NutriNews

Student Nutrition Group Leadership

The Student Nutrition Group is excited to announce their newly elected leadership for the upcoming Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 semesters. They are as follows:



President: Nkechi Okpara, Department of Health Promotion, Education, and Behavior

Nkechi Okpara will be beginning her 3rd year as a doctoral candidate in the Department of Health Promotion, Education, and Behavior, where she does nutrition research. Nkechi is a registered dietitian, and her research interest includes nutritional and mental health among teenage girls and nutrition education. Nkechi also serves as a diversity ambassador where she will give talks on pathways to becoming a dietitian to minority high school and college students. She enjoys lip singing as a method to reduce stress, doing activities that show her creative side, and morning workouts. Her hope for the Student Nutrition Group is that it

continues to gain members and a stronger presence on campus.



Secretary: Bezawit Kase, Department of Epidemiology

Bezawit E Kase is a third-year doctoral candidate in the Department of Epidemiology. She is currently working on her dissertation project that focuses on the relationship between diet quality and gut microbiota diversity and how this relationship influences cancer risk. Bezawit takes interest in being part of interdisciplinary research teams and is involved in research teams that work on child nutrition, and maternal health. Bezawit enjoys travelling and hiking in her spare time. She looks forward to learning from and contributing to the Student Nutrition Group.



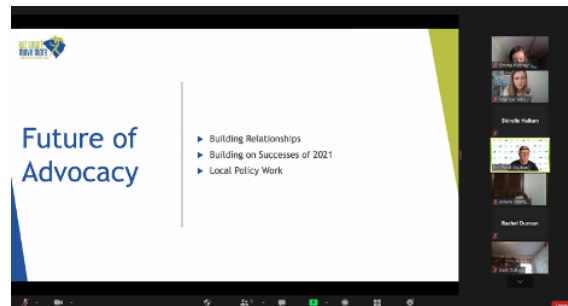
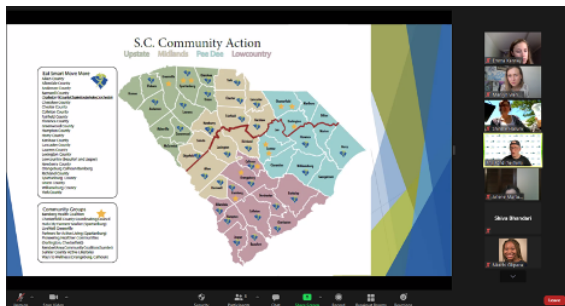
Treasurer: Longgang Zhao, Department of Epidemiology

Longgang Zhao is a second year PhD student in epidemiology. His research of interest is the association of diet and cancer. His

previous research experience was mostly focused on nutritional epidemiology using cohort or meta-analytic methods. After Longgang joined ASPH, he is glad to be involved in the SNG. He has learned a lot from the regular workshops and seminars. Personally, the most important characteristic as SNG leadership is passion, the passion for the nutrition research, as well as the passion for Group. We were strangers before we joined the Student Nutrition Group. However, we are friends since we share the same interests. Longgang has the passion to be involved in SNG and hope it will have a better tomorrow.

Leadership positions are still available. If you are interested, please contact SOSNG@mailbox.sc.edu.

Important Nutrition-Related Updates & Events at UofSC



The Student Nutrition Group hosted an online presentation with Phillip Ford, Manager of Policy, Advocacy, and Community Support for Eat Smart Move More South Carolina (ESMMSC). Attendees learned about ESMMSC and their priorities. You can find more information about their priorities at the link below:

[**More Information**](#)

SUMMER

Healthy Carolina *Farmers Market*

May 25 | June 1 | June 8 | June 15 | June 22 | June 29

Davis Field 11am - 1pm

 **Student Health Services**
University of South Carolina

The Healthy Carolina Farmers Market returns to campus for the summer market! Six vendors will be attending selling local produce, coffee, plants and skin care products. Come by Davis Field every Tuesday starting May 25th through June 29th from 11-1pm.

Important Nutrition-Related Updates & Events from Professional Organizations



WHERE THE **BEST** IN SCIENCE & HEALTH MEET

JUNE 7 - 10, 2021 | [NUTRITION.ORG/N21](https://www.nutrition.org/n21) | [#NutritionLiveOnline](https://twitter.com/NutritionLiveOnline)

Join a truly global audience for NUTRITION 2021 LIVE ONLINE, **June 7-10**, to experience groundbreaking research, connect with peers from all over the world, engage with the greatest minds in nutrition, and see the latest technologies, products and services in the virtual exhibit hall. Registration is now open! Register at the link below.

[Register Here](#)



This year's ISBNPA XChange theme is "Thinking independently together – Let's dance around the world!"

Verna Myers once said, "Diversity is being invited to the party. Inclusion is being asked to dance".

The live sessions will be held on:

- **June 8, 2021** – in time zone convenient for attendees from Australia, Asia and New Zealand
- **June 9, 2021** – in time zone convenient for attendees from Europe and Africa
- **June 10, 2021** – in time zone convenient for attendees from North and South Americas

Registration is now open! Click on the link below for details.

Registration Details



Given the challenges presented by COVID-19, ANH Academy Week will take place online for the second time, this year. The global community of researchers, practitioners and policymakers are welcome to join for an exciting and interactive programme spread over two weeks.

- **Learning Labs: June 21-24, 2021**
- **Research Conference: June 29-July 1, 2021**

Historically, the ANH Academy Week rotates annually between African and Asian countries to lower barriers to regional participation. This year, they will be co-hosting ANH2021 in collaboration with partners in Pakistan:

- Collective for Social Science Research
- Dow University of Health Sciences
- Institute for Global Health and Development at Aga Khan University
- University of Agriculture Faisalabad (UAF)

Throughout the Research Conference there will be various opportunities to hear the latest evidence, experiences and lessons learnt from the region! Please get involved!

Registration is now open! Register at the link below:

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APHA 2021

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The APHA Annual Meeting and Expo is the largest and most influential yearly gathering of public health professionals, bringing the public health community together to experience robust scientific programming, networking, social events and more. APHA's 2021 Annual Meeting and Expo will take place **Oct. 24-27, 2021.**

[More Information](#)

We will provide more information and send notification of dates and times of affiliate presentations as they become available for these upcoming events. Please let us know if you are presenting at any of the upcoming conferences or if there are any other nutrition-related conferences we should be promoting.

Recent Affiliate Nutrition-Related Publications

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