# FOOD SYSTEMS, NUTRITION, AND HEALTH

UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON

# 2023-24 ANNUAL REPORT



The **University of Washington Food Systems, Nutrition, and Health** program prepares students to improve individual and population health through the study of foods, nutrients, dietary behaviors, food and policy environments, food systems, and health outcomes.

# **PROGRAMS**

# **Undergraduate**

- Food Systems, Nutrition, and Health Major (BA)
- Nutrition Minor
- Courses that support students across the School of Public Health and the University

#### **Graduate**

- Master of Public Health, Public Health Nutrition
- Master of Science, Nutritional Sciences
- Doctor of Philosophy, Nutritional Sciences
- **Graduate Coordinated Program in Dietetics (GCPD)**, graduate-level training leading to the Registered Dietitian Nutritionist professional credential

# **ENROLLMENT**2023-24 Academic Year

# 3,031 registrations

unique student registrations in 88 undergraduate and graduate course offerings

# **301 FSNH Majors**

enrolled; 111 graduated

### **142 Nutrition Minors**

enrolled from 45 majors in 13 schools and colleges; 63 graduated

# 34 graduate students

enrolled in degree programs; 18 graduated



# Program announces new name in 2024

UW Nutritional Sciences
Program is now **Food Systems**, **Nutrition**, and **Health** 

#### STUDENT SUPPORT

#### 2023-24 Academic Year

- Over \$17,000 in scholarships were awarded to 9 undergraduate major students, making them the sixth cohort of Food Systems Scholars
- Continuing graduate students were awarded more than \$40,000 in scholarships, making it possible for them to focus on their education and training, fieldwork and practicums, internships, and thesis and capstone projects
- The Student Resource Fund provided 23
   undergraduate and graduate students with
   almost \$5,000 to support culminating projects,
   professional development, registered student
   organization activities, and emergency needs

### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

# HONORS



Students **Carlos Morales** (undergraduate) and **Khang Ho** (graduate) received 2024 School of Public Health (SPH) Excellence Awards



Graduate students Aimee Allen received the Carrie Cheney Student Leadership Award and Lauren Perkins received the Beverly Winter-Eben Student Service Award



Graduate student **Paola Bregni Ibarra** received
2024 Outstanding
Coordinated Program
Dietetic Student Award
from WSAND

# STORIES



How food systems undergraduates are designing hydroponic farming methods for urban community gardens





Public health nutrition student practicums support city and state initiatives



Graduate students from MPH, MS, and GCPD celebrated in 2024

# **FACULTY & STAFF**

### **NEWS**

- Now seeking applicants for an assistant teaching professor to join our core faculty
- UW and partners launch Carbon, Green Fields:
  Mobilizing Marine Algae to Benefit Sea and Soil in the
  Pacific Northwest project led by Sarah Collier and Eli
  Wheat which aims to find an innovative use of seaweed that
  could both lessen ocean acidification and improve soil
  quality on farms
- NSF grant supports Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure project, led by Jennifer Otten, Marie Spiker, Sarah Collier
- Adam Drewnowski named 2024 Wilbur Olin Atwater Memorial Lecturer

# **SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS**

A gift you make supports undergraduate and graduate student scholarships, and extra learning opportunities.



# **UPDATES**

- Michelle Averill promoted to program director and teaching professor
- Jenifer Pesicka Hiigli joined staff as director of student and academic services
- Anne Lund promoted to teaching professor
- **Jennifer Otten** promoted to professor





