# Shalini Nair

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#### **EDUCATION**

2021 Master of Public Health, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of

Florida, Gainesville, FL Specialization: Epidemiology

GPA: 4.0

Combined Bachelor's/Master's Degree Student

2020 Bachelor of Public Health, College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of

Florida, Gainesville, FL

Minors: Health Disparities in Society, Anthropology

Honors: Cum Laude

GPA: 3.84

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Farhadfar, N., Kelly, D. L., Mead, L., Nair, S., Colee, J., Gatell, V. I., Murthy, H. S., Brown, R. A., Hiemenz, J. W., Hsu, J. W., May, W. S., Wingard, J. R., & Dahl, W. J. (2020). Dietary Intake and Diet Quality of Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation Survivors. Biology of Blood and Marrow Transplantation, 26(6), 1154–1159. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbmt.2020.02.017 PMID: 32105830

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# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Research Assistant** Aug 2019-May 2020

Department of Biobehavioral Nursing Science, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL Supervisor: Debra Lynch Kelly, Ph.D., RN, OCN, CNE

- Developing the Biobehavioral Foundation for Self-Management of Psych-neurological Symptoms in Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant (HCT) Survivors
  - Performed data entry and cleaning for 50 patient files within REDCap.
  - Maintained and updated audit of patient files.
  - Verified the accuracy and validity of data entered into databases; corrected any errors.
- Foundations for a Targeted Dietary Intervention to Mitigate Dysbiosis and Persistent Fatigue for Survivors of Allogeneic Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation (HCT)
  - Edited and managed subject materials within OnCore interface.
  - Verified the accuracy and validity of data entered into databases; corrected any errors.
- A Phase III, Randomized, Clinical Trial Comparing Two Diets in Patients Undergoing Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant (HSCT) or Remission Induction Chemotherapy for Acute Leukemia and Myelodysplastic Syndrome
  - Performed data entry and cleaning.
  - Verified the accuracy and validity of data entered into databases; corrected any errors.

• Performed audit and tracking for over 100 patient files.

SPARK Intern May 2019-Aug 2019

Department of Cancer Epidemiology, Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa, FL Supervisor: Jong Y. Park, Ph.D., MPH

## Biobank for African American Prostate Cancer Research in Florida

- o Contacted patients via phone for enrollment and follow-up procedures.
- o Compiled tumor tissue requests to be sent to various Florida hospitals.
- o Audited over 800 patient files.
- o Revised and created new operations for project procedural manual.
- o Prepared and sent study and recruitment materials.
- o Assisted with the preparation of project-related reports, manuscripts, and presentations.
- o Presented research findings at Moffitt Research Day 2019.

# **University Scholars Research Assistant**

2017-2019

University Scholars Program, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Supervisor: Nosha Farhadfar, M.D.

Jul 2018-May 2019

- A Non-Interventional Study Evaluating the Quality of Diet in Allogeneic and Autologous Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant Survivors.
  - o Obtained informed consent from patients at UF Health Bone Marrow Transplant Clinic.
  - Administered standardized surveys to patients, and/or interviewed them to collect research data.
  - o Tracked participants and performed any necessary follow-up tasks.
  - o Performed data entry and other clerical work as required for project completion.
  - Verified the accuracy and validity of data entered into databases; corrected any errors.
  - Provided assistance with the preparation of project-related reports, manuscripts, and presentations.
  - o Presented research findings at UF Undergraduate Research Symposium 2019.
  - O Culminated in one supplementary publication in *Blood* and one peer-reviewed publication in *Biology of Blood and Marrow Transplantation*.

Supervisor: Laura K. Guyer, Ph.D., Med, RDN

Feb 2017-Apr 2018

- <u>Do Students Perceive That Participation in HOSA Develops the Skills Needed for Careers in</u> Health?
  - o Conducted internet-based and library literature searches.
  - o Edited and submitted protocols and other required research documentation.
  - o Constructed Qualtrics survey for distribution throughout the state of Florida.
  - o Interpreted and analyzed quantitative and qualitative results.
  - o Prepared tables, graphs, and written reports summarizing research results.
  - o Presented research findings at UF Undergraduate Research Symposium 2018.

## **Health Disparities Practicum Intern**

Jan 2018-May 2018

 ${\it UF\ HealthStreet,\ University\ of\ Florida,\ Gainesville,\ FL}$ 

- HealthStreet seeks to link community members to social and medical services and connect people to opportunities to participate in health research.
  - Developed and maintain health education libraries to provide resources for staff and community agencies.
  - Maintained and updated client records with relevant information on contact information and study participation.
  - o Referred community members to needed health services.

- Collected information from individuals to compile vital statistics about the general health of community members.
- o Actively recruited community members into relevant research studies.
- Developed a novel resource tracking system for community health workers (CHWs) to use during community outreach.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

#### Oral

- **Nair**, **S.** (August, 2019). *Biobank for African American Prostate Cancer Research in Florida*. Talk presented at Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa, FL.
- Nair, S. (April, 2019). *Quality of Diet of Adult Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant Survivors*. Talk presented at UF Health Cancer Center, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL.

#### Poster

- Nair, S., Mead, L., Kelly, D.L., Dahl, W.J., & Farhadfar, N. (April, 2019). *Quality of Diet of Adult Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant Survivors*. Poster presented at the Annual Spring Undergraduate Research Symposium at the University of Florida, Gainesville, FL.
- Nair, S., & Guyer, L.K. (April, 2018). Do Students Perceive That Participation in HOSA Develops the Skills Needed for Careers in Health? Poster presented at the Annual Spring Undergraduate Research Symposium at the University of Florida, Gainesville, FL.

## AWARDS AND HONORS

## Research Assistantship (2017-2019)

University Scholars Program, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

- A year-long research assistantship that allows undergraduate students to work one-on-one with UF faculty on selected research projects.
- o Only 200 students are selected across all disciplines to receive this award.
- o Assistantship included a stipend and support for project totaling to \$2,250.
- o Applied twice and received the award for two consecutive years.

# President's Honor Roll (Fall 2017)

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

o Perfect 4.0 GPA while carrying at least 15 course hours.

# Florida Academic Scholars (2016-2020)

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

• Awarded by the Florida Department of Education for academic achievement covering four years of tuition.

## LEADERSHIP AND VOLUNTEER WORK

2020-Present Volunteer contraCOVID

• Serve on the Resource Renewal Team updating resource guides for local community members and underserved groups in regard to COVID-19.

### 2020-Present Mentor

Community Health-Oriented Mentorship Program (CHOMP)

- Provide advice and support to mentee(s) in regard to academic and professional pursuits.
- Advance conversations and career development for students with interest in Public Health.

# 2020-2020 Intern

SWAG Family Resource Center, Gainesville, FL

- Served as an intern Jan-Mar, internship cut short due to COVID-19.
- Assisted with the daily operations of the Family Resource Center serving unserved residents in Linton Oaks, Gainesville.
- Assisted with homework help for community youth, performed needs assessments for emergency resources, and aided in community outreach and canvassing.

## 2019-Present De

Dean's Ambassador

University of Florida College of Public Health and Health Professions

- Serve as a liaison between the college and its students, alumni, faculty, and donors.
- Plan events, escort, and engage with current and potential donors, candidates, and prominent leaders visiting the college.

#### 2018-2019

Health Professions College Council Ambassador

University of Florida College of Public Health and Health Professions

• Served as a college representative that promoted interest, awareness, and understanding of the health professions throughout the university and the community at large.

## 2017-2018

Children's Miracle Network Dance Marathon Delegate

Dance Marathon at the University of Florida

- Campaigned and was elected to position through Delta Nu Zeta sorority.
- Captained a team of approximately 30 individuals to fundraise over \$19,000 and participate in events for Children's Miracle Network.
- Personally fundraised \$2,400.

# 2017-2018

Sister and Volunteer

Delta Nu Zeta

- Completed over 60 hours of community service within the Gainesville area at: Ronald McDonald House, Boys and Girls Club, Children's Home Society, Alachua County Habitat for Humanity.
- Campaigned and was elected (1 year term) as Dance Marathon Chair.

# NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

**Student Assistant** *University of Florida, Gainesville, FL* 

2017 - Present

# **UF** College of Dentistry

Oct 2019 - Present

- Assist with the creation and linkage of video materials for all DMD courses in Mediasite and Canvas.
- Perform video edits, uploads, and transfers for digital courses.
- Provide technical assistance to students and professors.
- Assist with the management of dental classrooms and technology.

- Served as primary point of contact for all student, parent, and faculty inquiries to the DRC.
- Managed requests and fulfilled accommodation letters for over 1000 students at the start of each semester.
- Handled a high volume of phone calls and walk in traffic.
- Scheduled appointments and managed all staff calendars.

# RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Public Health Computing • Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases • Epidemiology Methods • Regression Methods • Public Health Virology

## RELEVANT SKILLS

- o Data analysis in R and SAS
- o Data management in OnCore and REDCap

- Communicating scientific information to broad audiences
- Patient recruitment and consent