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Curriculum Vitae

Current as of January 18, 2026

EDUCATION

Master of Health Sciences in Environmental Health (conferred 2026)
Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (JHBSPH)

Master of Science in Kinesiology & Health, focus in Community & Public Health (conferred 2016)
University of Wyoming (UW)

Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Studies (conferred 2004)
University of Colorado, Boulder

CERTIFICATION

Certificate in Food Systems, the Environment, and Public Health (conferred 2018)
Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Course Instructor for HLED 3020 Community & Public Health (Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023)
University of Wyoming

Course Designer and Instructor for HLED-5586-43/ENR-5890-43 Seminar: Environmental Health
(Spring 2022)
University of Wyoming

Course Instructor for HLED 4021/5021 Creating Conditions for Community Health (Spring 2022, Spring 2023, Spring 2024). University of Wyoming

Course Designer and Instructor for HLED 5024 Increasing Support for Public Health Projects (Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2023, Spring 2024)
University of Wyoming

Course Instructor for HLED 4020/5020 Food Health & Justice (Fall 2020, Fall 2025)
University of Wyoming

Course Designer and Instructor for HLED 5586-40 Seminar: Using Data to Build Healthier Communities
(Spring 2020)
University of Wyoming

Course Designer and Instructor for HLSC 4990/5990-02 Public Health Seminar: Perspectives on the Food System (Spring 2016)
University of Wyoming

Teaching Assistant for HLED 4020/5020 Food Health & Justice (Fall 2015)
University of Wyoming

Course Designer and Instructor for Tribal Green Business Development Course (2013-2014)
Trees, Water & People's tribal renewable energy headquarters, Pine Ridge, SD

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Publications:

- Gaechter, L., & Porter, C. M.** (2018). "Ultimately about Dignity" Social movement frames used by collaborators in the Food Dignity action-research project. *Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development*, 8, 147-166. <https://doi.org/10.5304/jafscd.2018.08A.004>
- Porter, C., **Gaechter, L.**, & Upadhyaya, S. (2020). Comparing apples and coconuts: Food regimes and (farmers) markets in brooklyn, USA, and suva, fiji. *Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development*, 9(3), 1-18. <https://doi.org/10.5304/jafscd.2020.093.020>

PRESENTATIONS

- Gaechter, L.** More cowpokes, fewer cows: Prospective federal policy analysis for public health. University of Wyoming, Division of Kinesiology & Health Intellectual Community Seminar. October 4, 2022. Laramie, WY.
- Gaechter, L.** "A Preview of "Ultimately about Dignity:" Social movement frames used by collaborators in the Food Dignity action-research project." AFHVS/ ASFS 2018: The Agroecological Prospect: The Politics of Integrating Values, Food, and Farming. June 15, 2018. Madison, WI

MEDIA

- Invited guest on Switch for Good podcast. Recorded August 26, 2022. <https://switch4good.org/podcast/>
- Invited guest on Growing Evidence podcast. Reinventing the three R's: Narratives of Reclamation, Restoring, and Resilience. North American Food Systems Network. Recorded April 20, 2022, https://foodsystemsnetwork.org/growing_evidence_podcast.php
- Invited guest on iEat Green with Bhavani podcast. (2018).
- Gaechter, L.** (2020, February 25). How the food sovereignty movement is reflected in USDA data. *Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future*. <https://clf.jhsph.edu/stories/how-food-sovereignty-movement-reflected-usda-data>
- Gaechter, L.** (2019, July 9). How should we regulate agriculture that doesn't produce food? *Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future*. <https://www.simplefoodssolutions.org/post/how-should-we-regulate-agriculture-that-doesn-t-produce-food>
- Gaechter, L.** (2019, June 12). Soil v dirt: A national public health and policy issue. *Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future*. <https://www.simplefoodssolutions.org/post/soil-v-dirt-a-national-public-health-and-policy-issue>

- Gaechter, L.** (2019, April 23). Immigration reform is food system reform. *Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future*. <https://www.simplefoodssolutions.org/post/immigration-reform-is-food-system-reform>
- Gaechter, L.** (2019, January 28). What Americans want in the Farm Bill. *Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future*. <https://www.simplefoodssolutions.org/post/what-americans-want-in-the-farm-bill>
- Gaechter, L.** (2018, September 28). What do we do with all this poop? *Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future*. <https://www.simplefoodssolutions.org/post/what-do-we-do-with-all-this-poop>
- Gaechter, L.** (2018, May 29). The newly passed FARM Act makes unreported farm pollutants legal again. *Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future*. <https://www.simplefoodssolutions.org/post/the-newly-passed-farm-act-makes-unreported-farm-pollutants-legal-again>

SERVICE EXPERIENCE

Service to the University

- Member. Ad Hoc Search Committee for Instructional Professor in the LIFE Program to support LIFE 2022 (Animal Biology). (February 2022-July 2022)

Service to the College of Health Sciences

- Member. Curriculum & Instruction Committee. College of Health Sciences. (Fall 2021-Spring 2024)

Service to the Division of Kinesiology & Health

- Coordinator. Community & Public Health Program (2022-Present)
- Member. Kinesiology & Health Curriculum Committee. Division of Kinesiology & Health. (2021-Present)
- Member. Graduate Faculty Committee. Division of Kinesiology & Health. (2021-Present)
- Member. Ad Hoc Peer Evaluation of Teaching Instrument Committee. Division of Kinesiology & Health. (April 2022-Present)
- Member. Ad Hoc Kinesiology PhD Program Development Committee. (May 2022-Spring 2024)
- Member. Ad Hoc Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Public Health (R1-position). (October 2022-May 2023)

Service to the Community

- Consultant. Wyoming Public Health Association. (January 2023-Summer 2024).
- Consultant. Wind River Family and Community Healthcare, Education Excellence in community health program. (June 2022-Summer 2024).
- Fellowship Mentor for Bernard Iwegbu, 2022-2023 CISC HBCU Graduate Fellow of the Carver Integrative Sustainability Center (CISC) of Tuskegee University's College of Agriculture, Environment and Nutrition Sciences and the Inter-Institutional Network for Food, Agriculture, and Sustainability (INFAS). MS student in Agricultural Regulations, emphasis in Animal Sciences. University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff.
- Consultant for Cousineau, B. (September 7, 2022). Lecture on measuring and assessing the benefits of a plant-based diet. Global Health 551: Diet and Chronic Disease. Emory University. Atlanta, Georgia.

ADVISING

- Co-Chair for MS student Spring 2024-Present
- Advisor for Graduate Certificate in Community & Public Health students.
- Advisor for Kinesiology & Health Promotion Major undergraduate students.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Member. American Public Health Association.
- Member. National Rural Health Association.
- Member. National Association for County & City Health Officials.
- Member. Wyoming Public Health Association.
- Member. Colorado Public Health Association.
- Member. Inter-Institutional Network for Food, Agriculture, and Sustainability.

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

- Center for a Livable Future—Lerner Fellow, Johns Hopkins University (2017, 2018, & 2019)
- Center for Collaborative Conservation Fellow, Colorado State University (2013-2014)
- Over the Top Employee Award, City of Aspen (2007)

ADDITIONAL WORK HISTORY

Community & Public Health Program Development Manager (2019-2022)

University of Wyoming, Division of Kinesiology & Health, Laramie, WY

National Director (2011-2014)

Office & Local Engagement Coordinator (2009-2011)

[Trees, Water & People](#), Fort Collins, CO

Special Projects Coordinator (2005-2007)

City of Aspen Environmental Health Department, Aspen, CO