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Education

2009	M.S. Nutrition and Biological Sciences	South Dakota State University (SDSU), Brookings, SD
1994	Dietetics Internship	University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, IA
1993	B.S. Nutrition and Food Science Dietetics Specialization	South Dakota State University (SDSU), Brookings, SD

Experience

2014 to present **Nutrition and Dietetics Internship Program Director, South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD**

- **Program Director** for the Nutrition and Dietetics internship program. Duties include development of policies and procedures for effectively managing all components of the program, student recruitment, advisement, evaluation and counseling, maintenance of program accreditation, maintenance of student records, on-going review of program curriculum, processes for continuous improvement and the communication and coordination with program faculty, preceptors and others involved with the program.

2010 to 2016 **Co-investigator/Grant Coordinator, South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD**

- **Co-investigator and Grant Coordinator** (30-50% time) for NIFA grant no. 2011-67002-30202, grant title: Innovation and Collaboration: Creating a Transdisciplinary Childhood Obesity Prevention Graduate Program (TOP). In coordination with the principal investigators, duties include but are not limited to: budget management, personnel supervision, graduate student mentoring and assistance with recruitment and logistics involved in their research and experiential experiences associated with the TOP certificate, recruitment and marketing, data dissemination, manuscript preparation and compilation of reports.

2013 to present **Faculty, Health and Nutritional Sciences, South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD**

- **Faculty** for a junior/senior dietetics community nutrition course. This course employs the team based learning method with experiential experiences in the community and culminating team reports and presentations. Starting in the Fall of 2014, adjunct instructor for a graduate level practicum course for TOP students and instructor for Nutrition and Dietetics Internship related courses.

2010 to 2014 **Extension Associate and Grant Coordinator, South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD**

- **Extension Associate** duties primarily involved coordination of SDSU Extension's signature KidQuest program. KidQuest is a curriculum and program designed for 5th to 6th grade youth. Coordination involves training Extension staff, recruitment/marketing and outcomes dissemination on a statewide basis. Additional duties related to Extension involved seeking additional funding mechanisms via grants.

2003 to 2010 **Extension Educator, Family and Consumer Science, South Dakota State University, Madison, SD**

- **Extension Educator** outreach primarily included wellness programming in the community with worksites and schools. Additional duties included working with the 4-H program and writing research based articles for the public on a wide variety of nutrition related topics. Other media driven job components included guest spots on the Dr. On-Call and PBS Buddy's Healthy Habits television programs.

1995 to 2003 **Clinical and Consultant Dietitian, Brookings Health System, Brookings, SD**

- **Dietitian** (100% time) responsibilities included medical nutrition therapy for a wide variety of chronic disease conditions in the inpatient, outpatient and long term care setting.

Publications & Presentations

Peer Reviewed Articles

- **Jensen B**, Kattelman K, Ren C, Wey H. The Efficacy of KidQuest: a nutrition and physical activity curriculum for 5th and 6th grade youth. *Journal of Extension*. 2009;47(3).
- McCann A, Kemmer TM, **Jensen B**, Wey H. Parents awareness of their fifth-graders weight status in rural South Dakota. *Topics in Clinical Nutrition*. 2012;27(4):348-355.
- **Jensen**, BS, Anderson-Knott, M, Bowne, M, Boeckner, L, Stluka, S, Kattelman, K, Meendering, J. (2017). Innovation and Collaboration: Creating a Transdisciplinary Childhood Obesity Prevention (TOP) Graduate Certificate Program. *Health and Interprofessional Practice* 3(2):eP1125. Available at: <http://dx.doi.org/10.7710/2159-1253.1125>

Peer Reviewed Abstracts and Posters

- Kemmer TM, **Jensen B**, Beranek K, Graumann J, Bumaryous N. Teens teaching tweens: Food, fitness and fun. *Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior*. 2010;44:S76. (abstract)
- **Jensen B**, Kemmer, TM. Teens benefit as the teachers for a school based nutrition and physical activity program targeting 5th graders. *Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior*. SNE 45th Annual Conference, Washington, DC, July, 2012. (abstract & poster)
- Kemmer TM, Koszewski W, Meendering JR, **Jensen B**, Fischer JA. Paridgm shift in graduate education: A transdisciplinary approach to childhood obesity prevention. *FASEB Journal*. 2012;26:240.7. (abstract)
- Kemmer TM, Koszewski W, **Jensen B**, Stluka S, Meendering J, Carr T, Kattelman K, de Guzman M, Takahashi S, Wey H, Anderson-Knott M, Fischer JA, Droke E. Transdisciplinary childhood obesity prevention (TOP) graduate education certificate program: Innovative and multi-institutional. *Society of Nutrition Education and Behavior*. 2012. (poster) and *Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior*. 2012;44(4S):S93. (abstract)
- VanDyke NR, Huber EC, Kemmer TM, **Jensen B**, Meendering JR. Comparison of physical activity in children living within city limits and outside city limits in rural environments. Northland American College of Sports Medicine Meeting, SDSU Health and Nutritional Sciences Conference, and the College of Education and Human Sciences Poster Session, 2012. (posters) and *Medicine & Science in Sports & Exercise*. 2013;45(5S):S406. (abstract)
- McCann A, Kemmer TM, **Jensen B**, Wey H. Body image perception among pre-adolescent children participating in a nutrition and physical activity intervention program. *FASEB Journal*. 2013;27: 1060.12. (abstract)
- Kemmer TM, Wey H, McCann A, **Jensen B**. Accuracy of weight perception following KidQuest intervention in rural South Dakota elementary students. *FASEB Journal*. 2013;27: 1060.19. (abstract)

Other Experience / Publications

- **Jensen B**. KidQuest Nutrition and Physical Activity Program. Midwest Regional Middle School Conference, 2005. (presentation)
- Panel speaker, Worksite Wellness Programs. South Dakota State University Annual Nutrition Seminar, 2005.
- **Jensen B**, Kriehbiel M. Training, supporting and empowering young adults and teens for leadership roles in obesity prevention. Priester National Health Conference, Corvallis, Oregon, April 15-18, 2013. (peer reviewed presentation)
- **Jensen B**. Utilizing KidQuest to meet health education standards. South Dakota Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (SDAHPERD) annual convention, Brookings, SD, November 8, 2013. (presentation)

- **Jensen B.** (2012) KidQuest (food, fitness and fun) 3rd edition, South Dakota State University Extension. KidQuest is a school based nutrition and physical activity program designed especially for pre-adolescents in the 5th and 6th grade. <http://igrow.org/product/kidquest-electronic-version/#sthash.aRiZTEq9.dpuf>

Research Support

Ongoing

- NIFA grant no. 2011-67002-30202, grant title: Innovation and Collaboration: Creating a Transdisciplinary Childhood Obesity Prevention Graduate Program (T.O.P). Role: Co-investigator and Grant Coordinator. Award: \$4.2 million (2011-2016)

Completed

- South Dakota State University HATCH funding and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Assessing efficacy of KidQuest: A Transdisciplinary Approach to Improve Nutritional Choices and Physical Activity Patterns of Rural South Dakota 5th and 6th Graders and Their Families. Role: Co-investigator. Award: \$56,000 (2009-2011)
- General Mills 2010 Champions for Healthy Kids. KidQuest with Teens as Teachers in Four South Dakota Schools. Role: Principal Investigator. Award: \$10,000 (2010-2011)

Affiliations / Professional Development / Honors

- 1992 to present. Member, Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
- 1995 to present. Member, South Dakota Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (SDAND)
- 1994 to present. Registered Dietitian (RD), registration number 810389 and Licensed Nutritionist (LN), SD registration number 45.
- 2015 to present. South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners, Nutrition Licensure Committee Member.
- 2016 to present. SDAND Board Nominating Committee.
- 2017 South Dakota Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (SDAND) Outstanding Dietitian of the Year.
- Completed South Dakota State University Active Learning Cloud Academy for Online/Hybrid Course Design, May 28-29, 2014.
- Completion of Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics online learning modules for Prevention Strategies for Childhood Obesity (6 continuing education units) 2011.
- Attended and successfully completed the Commission on Dietetics Registration Certificate Program for Child and Adolescent Obesity Prevention, Daytona, FL 2011.
- South Dakota State University Extension Award for Excellence in Teamwork on the KidQuest Project, 2008.