Faculty and Students Participate in 2016 Southeast Farm to School Conference

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Becky Larson, MS, RD, clinical instructor of nutrition and food sciences in the School of Health and Kinesiology, and Krista Faircloth, graduate student in the Dietetic Internship Certificate Program, attended and presented a workshop at the 2016 Southeast Farm to School Conference in Greenville, South Carolina, from Sept. 23 to 24.

The workshop, led by Larson and Kara Leclari, Farm to School coordinator with the Burke County Schools in Georgia, focused on how farm to school is incorporated into undergraduate and graduate classes, working with interns and developing programs. Larson provided insight on how to develop programs, like Georgia Southern’s Dietetic Internship, by collaborating with local farmers and...
businesses to allow undergraduate and graduate students to work with them for one to two weeks during the semester.

Faircloth shared her experiences with farm to school projects such as “Feed My School for a Week,” that she participated in while working with Leclari and Burke County Schools.

“I thoroughly enjoyed my time at the Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Project (ASAP) Growing Minds Farm to School Conference, and it was exciting to hear all that is being accomplished in the surrounding areas,” said Faircloth. “The opportunity to hear experiences and gain knowledge from experienced dietitians, school nutrition coordinators and food service managers who truly care about what is being taught and what foods are being fed to the students at their school was something I loved.”

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