

**UNCG Department of Nutrition  
NTR 609A/B: Graduate Seminar  
Fall 2008  
3:00 pm Mondays, room 219 Petty**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>SPEAKER</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>
<b>August</b> 25	Lauren Haldeman, Instructor	Course Introduction
<b>September</b> 1	<b>LABOR DAY - NO SEMINAR</b>	
8	Bridget Aidam, PhD Nutritionist and Technical Advisor Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) International	Factors associated with, and impact of lactation counseling on exclusive breastfeeding
15	Dr. George Loo Dr. Robin Hopkins	Chemical Safety Training Biohazard Safety Training
22	Rachel Miller MS student	The influence of breastfeeding on weight status during infancy and later in life
29	Laura Watson MS student	TBD
<b>October</b> 6	Dianne Neumark-Sztainer, PhD, MPH, RD Professor Division of Epidemiology and Community Health University of Minnesota	Project EAT: Using behavioral research to guide interventions to prevent weight-related problems in adolescents
13	Jodi Meier MS student	TBD
	Mridul Datta PhD student	Food-based lycopene supplementation in prostate cancer patients undergoing radiation therapy
20	<b>FALL BREAK – NO SEMINAR</b>	
27	Bradley Ferguson PhD student	Linking Inflammation and Insulin Resistance: Manipulating MAP Kinase Signaling by Dual Specificity Phosphatases

**November**

- 3 Ioana Scripa  
MS candidate  
Dairy Product Consumption in African American Women at Risk for Type 2 Diabetes Participating in a Nutrition and Lifestyle Education Program
- 10 Susanne Mandrup, PhD  
Associate Professor  
Dept. Biochemistry and Molecular Biology  
University of Southern Denmark  
Genome-wide profiling of PPAR $\gamma$ /RXR target sites and RNA polymerase II activity during 3T3-L1 adipocyte differentiation
- 17 Tare Flint  
MS candidate  
Differences in Meal Patterns of African Americans of Varied Hypertension Risk
- 24 Kristina Martinez  
PhD student  
Conjugated Linoleic Acid (CLA) Promotes Inflammation to a Greater Extent in Adipocytes Compared to Preadipocytes
- Becca Frazier  
MS student  
TBD

**December**

- 1 Erin Street  
MS candidate  
Predictors of Body Mass Index of 2-year-old children born to Overweight Mothers
- 8 Sarah Hazlegrove  
MS candidate  
Step Up MyPyramid—Comparing Teaching Methods for Elementary School Children: A Pilot Study