

# Sarah L. Collins, PhD, MPH

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Undergraduate Program Director of Community Health  
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## EDUCATION

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### University of Florida

#### Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health

Concentration: Social and Behavioral Sciences

*August 2023*

#### Master of Public Health

Concentration: Social and Behavioral Sciences

*August 2019*

#### Bachelor of Public Health

Minor: Chemistry

*May 2018*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### Assistant Teaching Professor, Undergraduate Program Director – Community Health

University of Kansas, School of Education and Human Sciences, Department of Health, Sport & Exercise Sciences, Lawrence, KS

*August 2023-present*

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### Northeast Florida Healthy Start Coalition

#### Social and Behavioral Sciences, MPH Intern

Developed community curriculum focused on connecting the social determinants of health to infant milestones. Assisted in recruitment and interview process of onboarding AmeriCorps applicants. Attended local community meetings such as Community Action Group and Community Health Improvement Plan.

*May 2019-August 2019*

### Suwannee River Area Health Education Center (AHEC)

#### Health Educator & Special Projects Coordinator

Managed Florida Department of Health Office of Minority Health and Health Equity's Closing the Gap grant. Supervised Health Education intern and plan operational tasks for successful implementation of grant. Fiscally managed grant spending according to Department of Financial Service's guidelines. Managed speakers and poster presentations for Florida Public Health Association (FPHA) Annual Conference. Wrote and edited portions of Florida Department of Health Office of Minority Health and Health Equity's Closing the Gap oral health grant. Organized and recorded Continuing Medical Education yearly close outs. Collaboratively completed HRSA Federal AHEC grant deliverables.

*December 2017-May 2019*

#### Certified Health Insurance Marketplace Navigator

Guided and assisted individuals with establishing eligibility and enrolling in the Health Insurance Marketplace, expanding across 15 counties and providing quality, unbiased information to consumers seeking knowledge and details about their available health insurance options. Provided outreach and education to raise awareness about the Marketplace to consumers through health fairs, creation and dispersion of flyers, and establishing new partnerships with other local non-profit organizations.

*April 2017- December 2017*

**Workplace Wellbeing Intern***May 2017- August 2017; January 2018-April 2018*

Conducted a needs assessment for Workplace Wellbeing client. Participated in meetings, survey design, facilitating of live survey, survey evaluation, client report and suggestions for future wellness programs. Partnered in the formation of the North Central Florida Workplace Wellbeing Coalition.

**North Florida Resource Guide Project****Editor***January 2017- May 2017*

Developed and implemented a new team structure that includes an editor, team directors, and research assistants. Reviewed all submitted paperwork, communicated with students, faculty, and outside local agencies. Created a master resource guide of local health related agencies for easy access to Alachua Co. residents through United Way and 2-1-1.

**Research Assistant***September 2016- December 2016*

Called and reviewed content such as address, phone number, website, eligibility requirements, hours of operation, translation availability, and miscellaneous information for over 70 local agencies.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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*Courses currently teaching:*

**Instructor**, PHC6700: Social & Behavioral Research Methods (online) *Summer 2023*  
University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Master of Public Health

*Courses taught:*

**Instructor**, HSC 4608L: Critical Thinking in Healthcare *Spring 2023*  
University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Health Science

**Instructor**, PHC6700: Social & Behavioral Research Methods (online) *Summer 2022*  
University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Master of Public Health

**Instructor**, HSC 4608L: Critical Thinking in Healthcare *Spring 2022*  
University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Health Science

**Instructor**, PHC2100: Introduction to Public Health: Public Health in Pop Culture (online) *Fall 2021*  
University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Dean's Office

**Instructor**, PHC6700: Social & Behavioral Research Methods (online) *Summer 2021*  
University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Master of Public Health

**Co-Instructor**, HSC 4608L: Critical Thinking in Healthcare *Spring 2021*  
University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Health Science

**Teaching Assistant**, PHC6940: MPH Capstone *Spring 2021*  
University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Master of Public Health

**Supervising Teaching Assistant**, HSC 3661: Therapeutic Communication Lecture (online) *Fall 2020*  
University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Health Science

**Supervising Teaching Assistant**, RCS 4415L: Therapeutic Communication Lab (online) *Fall 2020*  
University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Health Science

**Teaching Assistant**, PHC 6195: Health Information for Diverse Populations (online) *Summer 2020*  
University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Master of Public Health

**Teaching Assistant**, HSC 4608L: Critical Thinking in Healthcare *Spring 2020*

University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Health Science

**Teaching Assistant**, RCS 4451: Substance Abuse

*Spring 2020*

University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Health Science

**Teaching Assistant**, HSC 3661: Therapeutic Communication Lecture

*Fall 2019*

University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Health Science

**Teaching Assistant**, RCS 4415L: Therapeutic Communication Lab

*Fall 2019*

University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Health Science

**Teaching Assistant**, HSC 2000: Introduction to Health Professions

*Fall 2019*

University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Health Science

### ***Courses Developed or Redesigned***

**Collaborator**, 4XXX: Social, Structural and Systemic Influences on the Public's Health

*Summer 2022*

University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Public Health

**Co-Instructor**, HSC4608L: Critical Thinking in Healthcare

*Spring 2021*

University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Health Science

**Collaborator**, PHC 4101: Public Health Concepts (online)

*Fall 2020*

University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Public Health

**Supervising Teaching Assistant**, RCS 4415L: Therapeutic Communications Lab (online)

*Fall 2020*

University of Florida, College of Public Health & Health Professions, Bachelor of Health Science

### ***Workshops and Trainings***

**Collaborator**, Global Science Studies for K-12 Educators Training

*June 2022*

University of Florida, Center for African Studies

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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**Collins, S. L.**, Case, S.J., Rodriguez, A.K., Allen, A.C., & Wood, E. A. (2023). Cultivating critical consciousness through a Global Health Book Club. *Frontiers in Education*, 8:1173703. <https://doi.org/10.3389/feduc.2023.1173703>

**Collins, S.L.**, Smith, T.C., Hack, G., & Moorhouse, M.D. (2023) Exploring public health education's integration of critical race theories: A scoping review. *Frontiers in Public Health*, 11:1148959. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpubh.2023.1148959>

LeBeau K., **Collins S.**, Zori G., Walker D, Marchi E., Pomeranz J.L., Hart M. (2023). Evaluating a novel hospital-based online health community to address palliative and psychosocial care factors for chronically ill adolescent and young adult patients. *Palliative and Supportive Care*. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1478951523000147>

Case, S., **Collins, S.L.**, Wood, E.A. (2022). Global health-based virtual exchange to improve intercultural competency: Long-lasting impacts and areas for improvement. *Frontiers in Public Health*, 10:1044487. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpubh.2022.1044487>

Zori, G., **Collins, S.L.**, Walker, A. (2022). Online Sexual Health Information Seeking of Adolescents: A Content Analysis. *American Journal of Sexuality Education*.

**Collins, S.L.**, Mueller, S., Wood, E.A., Stetten N.E. (2022). Transforming Perspectives through Virtual Exchange: A US-Egypt Partnership Part 2. *Frontiers in Public Health*, 1438. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpubh.2022.880638>

Wood, E. A., **Collins, S. L.**, Hechavarria, M., Foti, S., & Hack, G. (2022). The shortfalls of online learning catalyzed by COVID-19: Pre-health students' perspective. *Pedagogical Research*, 7(3), em0128. <https://doi.org/10.29333/pr/12095>

Wood, E. A., **Collins, S. L.**, Mueller, S., Stetten, N., & El-Shokry, M. (2022). Transforming Perspectives through Virtual Exchange: A US-Egypt Partnership Part 1. *Frontiers in Public Health*, 1343. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpubh.2022.877547>

King, L.M., Zori, G., **Collins, S.L.**, Lewis, C., Hack, G., Dixon, B.N., Hart, M. (2022). What does community resilience mean in the context of trauma-informed communities? A scoping review. *Journal of Community Psychology*, 1–29. <https://doi.org/10.1002/jcop.22839>

Jacobs, K. D., Zori, G., **Collins, S. L.**, & Wood, E. (2021). Exploration of the COVID-19 Content within a Vaccine Choice Social Media Platform: A Case Study. *Journal of Consumer Health on the Internet*, 25(4), 366-382. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15398285.2021.1983713>

Salinas-Miranda, A., King, L., Salihu, H., Wilson, R., Nash, S., **Collins, S.L.**, ... & Baldwin, J. (2020). Protective Factors using the Life Course Perspective in Maternal and Child Health: A Community-Based Participatory Research Approach. *ENGAGE! Co-created Knowledge Serving the City*, 1(3).

## MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

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**Collins, S.L.**, Moorhouse, M.D., Yu, N.S., Pomeranz, J.L. Psychometric Properties of Satisfaction with Life Scale Among Older Adults: A Rasch Analysis.

**Collins, S.L.**, Maizel, J., Busey, C. A Decade of Theorizing Race in Public Health Research: A Scoping Review of the American Journal of Public Health.

## CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS & PRESENTATIONS

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Case, S.J., Wood, E.A., **Collins, S.L.** (*Accepted*). Bolstering intercultural competency in students through a global health-based virtual exchange: A qualitative follow-up study. Poster presentation at American Schools & Programs of Public Health (ASPPH). Arlington, VA.

LeBeau, K.M., **Collins, S.L.**, Zori, G. (March 2022). Investigating online social support among chronically ill adolescent and young adult patients using a virtual hospital-based gaming intervention. Poster presentation at American Schools & Programs of Public Health (ASPPH). Virtual.

**Collins S.L.**, Agrawal K., Carr C., King L.M. (October 2021). The importance of intersectionality within sexual and gender minority health: Inclusive teaching strategies in public health curricula. Poster presentation at the American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting & Expo. Denver, Colorado.

King, L.M., **Collins, S.L.**, Stone, B., Zori, G., Dixon, B., Hart, M., Stetten, N. (October 2021). ACEs, trauma-informed, and resilience-based public health graduate curriculum at the University of Florida College of Public Health and Health professions. Poster presentation at the American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting & Expo. Denver, Colorado.

King, L.M., Zori, G., **Collins, S.L.**, Lewis, C., Hack, G., Vacca, R., Blue, A., Hart, M. (October 2021). What does community resilience mean in the context of trauma-informed communities? A scoping review. Poster presentation at the American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting & Expo. Denver, Colorado.

Wood, E., **Collins, S.**, & Tracy, N. (October 2021). Assessing Greek life experiences during the COVID-19 pandemic. Oral presentation at the American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting & Expo. Denver, Colorado.

**Collins, S.L.** & Wood, E.A. (March 23 – 25, 2021). Student Experiences During a Rapid Immersion into Distance Delivery as a Result of COVID-19. Poster presentation at American Schools & Programs of Public Health (ASPPH). Virtual.

King, L.M., Agrawal, K., **Collins, S.L.**, Carr, C. (March 2021). Implementation of an intersectional sexual and gender public health curriculum for graduate students. Poster presentation at University of Florida College of Public Health and Health Professions Diversity Day, Gainesville, Florida.

Wood, E. & **Collins, S.L.** (January 20 – 23, 2021). Controlling Contagions through Virtual Exchange. Oral presentation at the Association of American Colleges & Universities (AACU) Conference. Virtual.

King, L.M., Salinas-Miranda, A.A., **Collins, S.L.**, Zori, G., Wilson, R., Berry, E.L., Salihu, H.M. (October 2020). Community residents' perceptions of fathers' health using community-based participatory research focus groups and the life-course perspective. Oral presentation at the American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting & Expo. San Francisco, California. Virtual.

## **INVOLVEMENT AND SERVICE**

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**American Public Health Association Abstract Review** *May 2022*  
Reviewed abstracts for the American Public Health Association's 2022 Annual Conference

**University of Florida, Master of Public Health Exemplary Student Selection Committee** *April 2022*  
Reviewed Master of Public Health students from various concentrations that demonstrate outstanding academic performance, leadership, volunteerism, and dedication toward public health.

**College of Public Health and Health Professions Curriculum Committee** *August 2021-July 2022*  
Reviews academic syllabi and recommends for college level approval of undergraduate, graduate, and professional instructional programs.

**Master of Public Health Curriculum Task Force** *August 2021-August 2023*  
Contribute insight and thought into reorganizing the University of Florida's Master of Public Health program to align with the Council of Education for Public Health's (CEPH) accreditation requirements and contribute meaningful competencies and skills to student learning outcomes.

**Community Health-Oriented Mentorship Program (CHOMP)** *January 2021-August 2023*  
Serve as a mentor to a University of Florida, College of Public Health and Health Professions undergraduate student(s) interested in exploring public health-related fields, disciplines, and professions.

**College of Public Health and Health Professions Teaching Excellence Committee** *July 2020-July 2022*  
Reviews doctoral mentor awards and various teaching awards given by the University of Florida.

**University of Florida's Global Health Case Competition Planning Member** *November 2018-January 2018*  
Wrote 2 sections of the HIV in South Africa case, assisted in logistics planning; facilitated kick-off meeting, case-release day, and competition day.

**University of Florida's Alpha Epsilon Delta, Pre-Health Honor Society** *August 2015-May 2018*  
Volunteer in health-related events among the Alachua County community such as Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk, SportsAbility, Give Kids the World, etc.

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

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Delta Omega Inductee, Beta Upsilon Chapter *April 2020*  
Exemplary Student Award Recipient for the University of Florida Master of Public Health *May 2019*  
Social and Behavioral Science Outstanding Student Recipient *May 2019*

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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American Public Health Association  
Delta Omega Public Health Honor Society