

## **Biography**

## Sarah Hardison Kotzian

Dr. Sarah Kotzian serves as the Program Manager for the Food Systems Leadership Institute. In this role, Sarah works closely with the Director of the FSLI program to manage and deliver this highly acclaimed national leadership program. Sarah directs recruiting efforts, collaborates with the secondary sites, and manages communication with all participants. In addition, Sarah cultivates professional relationships with all program levels, coordinates and manages communication efforts, and oversees marketing strategies.

Before joining the FSLI team, Sarah worked with North Carolina 4-H for 18 years, providing leadership for stateside Youth and Adult Citizenship Engagement Programs. In this role, she directed programs such as NC 4-H Congress and Citizenship North Carolina Focus and led the North Carolina 4-H Volunteer Program.

Dr. Kotzian is a North Carolina native. She holds a B.A. degree in Psychology, an M.Ed. in Adult and Community College Education, and a Ph.D. in Educational Research and Policy Analysis, all from North Carolina State University.

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