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ATLANTA CHAPTER SCHOLAR ALUM STUDIES PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY

Christina Scherrer was an ARCS Scholar at the Georgia Institute of Technology during the 2002-2003 and 2004-2005 academic years. While working to complete her Ph.D., Dr. Scherrer “took a break ... for a year to teach math in an Atlanta public school.” She is currently an Associate Professor of Industrial Engineering Technology at Southern Polytechnic State University in Marietta.

The focus of Dr. Scherrer’s research is the application of industrial engineering to the public sector, specifically public health. She also does research on the effectiveness of on-line education. Dr. Scherrer reports “My most significant career success was being awarded the NSF BRIGE grant for optimization models for public health policy. In addition to my research, this grant also funded an outreach program I coordinated to greater Atlanta area high schools, teaching students the ways that engineers can ‘do good’ in the world.

In recent years, Dr. Scherrer has collaborated with researchers from the Georgia Health Policy Center on several projects used to inform policy in the state, and with researchers at the CDC working on global health issues.

More information on Dr. Scherrer and her recent publications can be found on her [faculty page](#).



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