

Process to Become a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist
1. Complete a bachelor's degree or a master's degree and receive a Verification Statement from an ACEND®-accredited program (Didactic Program in Dietetics , Coordinated Program , Graduate Program or Foreign Dietitian Education Program) Note, effective January 1, 2024, a graduate degree will be required to be eligible to take the Commission on Dietetic Registration Exam.
2. Complete an ACEND®-accredited supervised practice Dietetic Internship program or Individual Supervised Practice Pathway is an option. Supervised practice/experiential learning is combined with the Coordinated Program and Graduate Program .
3. Pass the Commission on Dietetic Registration's dietetic registration exam.
4. Gain licensure in your state of practice, if applicable.
5. Maintain continuing education.

Admission and Retention Requirements
Exceptions to any admissions requirements will be considered on an individual basis.
Baccalaureate degree in nutrition or related field from an accredited university. All official transcripts must be provided.
Verification Statement from an ACEND-accredited Nutrition and Dietetics Didactic Program (DPD) or Foreign Dietitian Education program (FDE) obtained from the DPD director within the last five years. If the verification statement is greater than five years old, the student will be required to take a minimum of three hours of course credit in Clinical Dietetics and three hours of course credit in Administrative Dietetics.
Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.700
Minimum GPA of 3.000 in all nutrition and dietetics courses
Minimum GPA of 2.500 in all science courses
Minimum GPA of 3.000 on any graduate course work previously taken at another accredited institution
Possess dietetics-related and/or food service work experience, volunteer or paid
Three letters of recommendation discussing the individual's potential success in graduate study.
International applicants or American citizens who learned English as a second language must score at least 550 (paper) or 79 (Internet) on the Test of English as a Foreign Language or at least 6.5 on the International English Language Testing System.

Graduation Requirements
Successfully complete all supervised practice rotations
Maintain a B or higher average in all courses

Required Courses	Credit Hours
DIET 5003 Advanced Community Nutrition	3
DIET 5043 Nutrition Counseling	3
DIET 6013 Nutrition and Dietetics Research	3
DIET 6023 Supervised Practice I	3
DIET 6033 Advanced Administrative Dietetics	3
DIET 6053 Supervised Practice II	3
DIET 6063 Sports Nutrition	3
DIET 6073 Pediatric Nutrition	3
DIET 6083 Diabetes, Obesity, and Weight Management	3
DIET 6093 Trends in Nutrition	3
DIET 6103 Eating Disorders	3
DIET 6113 Nutrition and Dietetics Applied Statistics	3
TOTAL	36

Suggested Sequence
Fall semester DIET 5043 Nutrition Counseling – 3 credit hours DIET 6023 Supervised Practice I – 3 credit hours DIET 6063 Sports Nutrition – 3 credit hours
Spring Semester DIET 5003 Advanced Community Nutrition – 3 credit hours DIET 6033 Advanced Administrative Dietetics – 3 credit hours DIET 6053 Supervised Practice II – 3 credit hours
Summer Semester DIET 6083 Diabetes, Obesity and Weight Management – 3 credit hours DIET 6093 Trends in Nutrition – 3 credit hours DIET 6113 Nutrition and Dietetics Applied Statistics – 3 credit hours
Fall Semester DIET 6013 Nutrition and Dietetics Research – 3 credit hours DIET 6073 Pediatric Nutrition – 3 credit hours DIET 6103 Eating Disorders – 3 credit hours

