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Welcome

On behalf of the faculty and staff in the Department of Nutrition, I would like to welcome you to the Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) at the University of Nevada, Reno. This handbook is designed to serve as a resource for you during your time as a student in our program. It also includes valuable information for students who may consider enrolling in our program. If you have any questions about information in this handbook, or other questions about the DPD, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Organization and Administration

College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources

The UNR’s Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) is administered by the Department of Nutrition in the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources (CABNR). In addition to the Nutrition Department, CABNR includes the Nevada Agricultural Experiment Station, the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension, and three other academic departments including Department of Agriculture, Veterinary and Rangeland Sciences; Biochemistry and Molecular Biology; and Natural Resources and Environmental Science.

Mission of the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources:

- Improving the student experience through strengthening academic programs, encouraging a culture of diversity and international focus on campus, providing significant co-curricular experiences, and enhancing the campus environment.
- Building on our academic strengths to create new interdisciplinary academic opportunities, to support the efforts of our excellent faculty, and to improve the national and international visibility of our programs.
- Assessing the outcomes of all our activities so that we know our strengths and weaknesses and can take effective steps to improve our performance.
- Communicating effectively with our various stakeholders in the state, region, and nation so that we can both respond to the needs of our society and tell our story better.
- Cultivating support from a variety of sources so that the University can continue to flourish, even in a climate of limited state-appropriated resources.

Department of Nutrition

The Department of Nutrition offers both a B.S. and M.S. in Nutrition. At the undergraduate level, students have the option of two specializations, Dietetics or Nutritional Science. (Degree requirements for dietetics are included in this Handbook.) An undergraduate nutrition minor is also available. In addition to the DPD, the department offers an accredited post-baccalaureate Dietetic Internship Program.

Mission of the Department of Nutrition:

The mission of the Department of Nutrition is to integrate education, discovery and engagement to promote human well-being and reduce health disparities through improved nutrition and sustainable food systems. Diverse educational programs prepare students to become effective practitioners, scholars and leaders. Interdisciplinary research advances both nutritional and food sciences. Community engagement strives to improve the nutrition and health of our residents.
The Didactic Program in Dietetics at the University of Nevada, Reno

Overview

The Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) at the University of Nevada, Reno is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND). The first step in becoming a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN) is to graduate from an ACEND-accredited DPD program. Students who are pursuing a BS in Nutrition in the Dietetics Specialization at UNR are required to complete the DPD curriculum which includes a variety of courses (e.g., chemistry, biology, anatomy and physiology, nutrition, and food science) specifically selected to meet accreditation standards. Eligible program graduates will receive a signed DPD Verification Statement. This document is necessary in order to begin a supervised practice program (e.g., a dietetic internship) and to take the exam for Nutrition and Dietetics Technician, Registered credential (NDTR). Upon successful completion of a supervised practice program graduates are eligible to take the Commission of Dietetic Registration’s (CDR) credentialing exam to obtain the RDN credential.

Registered dietitian nutritionists (RDNs) are the food and nutrition experts who can translate the science of nutrition into practical solutions for healthy living. RDNs use their nutrition expertise to help individuals make unique, positive lifestyle changes. They work in a variety of settings such as hospitals, schools, public health clinics, nursing homes, fitness centers, food management operations, food companies, universities, research and in private practice. RDNs are advocates for advancing the nutritional status of people everywhere.

This Handbook includes details regarding the DPD, dietetic credentials, the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, and other important information to help you achieve your academic and professional goals. As a student in the DPD, you are encouraged to make frequent use of this resource. There is also useful information included for prospective students (e.g., admission requirements).

DPD Mission Statement

The Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) will effectively prepare students for accredited supervised practice programs leading to eligibility for the CDR credentialing exam to become registered dietitian nutritionists, for graduate programs, and/or for entry-level employment in nutrition and dietetics. The DPD will foster life-long learning in the pursuit of excellence; and a commitment to improving the nutritional health of our diverse local and global communities through evidence-based policies and practices.
DPD Program Goals and Objectives

The goals and objectives of the DPD are listed below. *Outcomes data relative to the objectives are available upon request from the DPD Director (contact information listed previously).*

**Program Goal 1:** Prepare program graduates for post-baccalaureate programs including supervised practice and graduate programs, and for entry-level nutrition employment.

**Objectives for Goal 1:**
1.a. At least 80% of program students complete program/degree requirements within three years (150% of the program length).

1.b. At least 40% of program graduates apply for admission to a supervised practice program within 12 months of graduation.

1.c. At least 20% of program graduates are admitted to a supervised practice program within 12 months of graduation.

1.d. At least 50% of program graduates who seek admission to graduate programs within 12 months of program completion will be accepted.

1.e. Supervised practice program directors will rate program graduates’ preparation for supervised practice as satisfactory on at least 75% of the knowledge and learning outcomes.

1.f. The program’s one-year pass rate (graduates who pass the registration exam within one year of first attempt) on the CDR credentialing exam for dietitian nutritionists is at least 80%.

**Program Goal 2:** Equip program graduates with the necessary knowledge and skills to improve the nutritional health of diverse communities.

**Objectives for Goal 2:**
2.a. Program graduates who complete the Senior Exit Survey will express self-efficacy regarding their ability to improve the nutritional health of diverse communities (as evidenced by a mean rating of 3.5 or better on a 5 point scale).

2.b. Program graduates who complete the Senior Exit Survey will express satisfaction with the inclusion of professionalism and ethics in their nutrition courses (as evidenced by a mean rating of 3.5 or better on a 5 point scale).

2.c. At least 70% of program graduates who respond to the Outcomes Survey will describe the impact of their UNR coursework on nine transferable skills as positive or very positive.
d. At least 70% of program graduates who complete a supervised practice program will rate their ability to improve the nutritional health of diverse communities as “very good” or “excellent”.

Accreditation

The Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) at the University of Nevada, Reno is accredited through June 30, 2023 by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2190.
Chicago, IL 60606-6995, (312) 899-0040 ext 5400

Dietetic education and supervised practice programs voluntarily apply for accreditation to the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. This is accomplished by demonstrating compliance with the specific accreditation standards including continual improvement. ACEND has also established policies and procedures for maintenance of accreditation.

DPD Curriculum and Learning Activities

Consistent with accreditation standards, our DPD curriculum is designed to ensure the breadth and depth of requisite knowledge needed for entry to supervised practice to become a RDN. As an ACEND-accredited DPD, it is expected that students will have obtained competence for each knowledge and learning outcome articulated below. Learning activities used to measure achievement of the knowledge for registered dietitian nutritionists (KRDNs) are spread over many DPD professional courses. The syllabi for each of these courses will specify the corresponding KRDNs. Student achievement of these outcomes is continually monitored.

Domain 1:
Scientific and Evidence Base of Practice: Integration of scientific information and translation of research into practice.

Knowledge
Upon completion of the program, graduates are able to:
KRDN 1.1 Demonstrate how to locate, interpret, evaluate and use professional literature to make ethical, evidence-based practice decisions.
KRDN 1.2 Use current information technologies to locate and apply evidence-based guidelines and protocols.
KRDN 1.3 Apply critical thinking skills.

Domain 2:
Professional Practice Expectations: Beliefs, values, attitudes and behaviors for the professional dietitian nutritionist level of practice.

Knowledge
Upon completion of the program, graduates are able to:
KRDN 2.1 Demonstrate effective and professional oral and written communication and documentation.
KRDN 2.2 Describe the governance of nutrition and dietetics practice, such as the Scope of Nutrition and Dietetics Practice and the Code of Ethics for the Profession of Nutrition and Dietetics; and describe interprofessional relationships in various practice settings.
KRDN 2.3 Assess the impact of a public policy position on nutrition and dietetics practice.
KRDN 2.4 Discuss the impact of health care policy and different health care delivery systems on food and nutrition services.
KRDN 2.5 Identify and describe the work of interprofessional teams and the roles of others with whom the registered dietitian nutritionist collaborates in the delivery of food and nutrition services.
KRDN 2.6 Demonstrate an understanding of cultural competence/sensitivity.
KRDN 2.7 Demonstrate identification with the nutrition and dietetics profession through activities such as participation in professional organizations and defending a position on issues impacting the nutrition and dietetics profession.
KRDN 2.8 Demonstrate an understanding of the importance and expectations of a professional in mentoring and precepting others.

Domain 3:
Clinical and Customer Services: Development and delivery of information, products and services to individuals, groups and populations.

Knowledge
Upon completion of the program, graduates are able to:
KRDN 3.1 Use the Nutrition Care Process to make decisions, identify nutrition-related problems and determine and evaluate nutrition interventions.
KRDN 3.2 Develop an educational session or program/educational strategy for a target population.
KRDN 3.3 Demonstrate counseling and education methods to facilitate behavior change and enhance wellness for diverse individuals and groups.
KRDN 3.4 Explain the processes involved in delivering quality food and nutrition services.
KRDN 3.5 Describe basic concepts of nutritional genomics.

Domain 4:
Practice Management and Use of Resources: Strategic application of principles of management and systems in the provision of services to individuals and organizations.

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**Knowledge**
Upon completion of the program, graduates are able to:

KRDN 4.1 Apply management theories to the development of programs or services.
KRDN 4.2 Evaluate a budget and interpret financial data.
KRDN 4.3 Describe the regulation system related to billing and coding, what services are reimbursable by third party payers, and how reimbursement may be obtained.
KRDN 4.4 Apply the principles of human resource management to different situations.
KRDN 4.5 Describe safety principles related to food, personnel and consumers.
KRDN 4.6 Analyze data for assessment and evaluate data to be used in decision-making for continuous quality improvement.

**Learning Assessment**

The DPD participates in university-wide student learning assessment under the guidance of the Office of the Provost. Per ACEND-accreditation guidelines, the DPD has a Program Evaluation Plan designed to measure program achievement of program goals, and a Student Learning Outcomes (SLO) Assessment Plan designed to measure student achievement of learning outcomes for each of the Knowledge Requirements. Data from the SLO Plan are shared with the Office of the Provost as part of university-wide accreditation.

**Dietetics Specialization Admission, Enrollment and Graduation Requirements**

**Admission Requirements**

Applying and being accepted to the University of Nevada, Reno allows students to pursue the BS Nutrition- Dietetics Specialization. There is no additional application process. For details regarding admission to UNR, including requirements, visit Admissions.

**Immunization Requirements**

All students attending the University of Nevada, Reno are required to submit proof of having received:
1) Two doses of the measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR). The first dose must be on or after your first birthday.
2) One dose for tetanus/diphtheria (TD), taken in the last 10 years.
3) All incoming freshmen (regardless if they are living on campus or not) are also required to submit proof of having received the Meningococcal (MCV4) vaccination on or after age 16.

This list is subject to change. If you are unsure whether or not your Meningitis record meets the requirement, please contact Admissions and Records; 775-784-4700 opt. 2 or mynevada@unr.edu.

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Copies of immunization records must be sent to the Admissions and Records office, either via fax 775-784-4283, or hand delivered (2nd floor of the Fitzgerald Student Services Building). If students feel comfortable sending these documents via email, they may also email a copy to mynevada@unr.edu.

Health Insurance Requirements

Undergraduate domestic students are not required to have health insurance coverage. Payment of the Student Health Fee, while not an insurance policy, does entitle students to use of the Student Health Center including unlimited primary care office visits, certain laboratory tests and reduced cost of prescription medications.

Graduate students and international students are required to have health insurance coverage. UNR offers a student health insurance plan to graduate, medical and international students only. This plan is a major medical insurance plan specifically designed for students. For details regarding coverage and insurance options, see the Office Of International Students and Scholars and the Graduate School.

Professional Liability Insurance Requirements

The DPD does not require students to have professional liability insurance.

Graduation Requirements

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Recommended Course Sequence

First Year - First Semester (15 units)
ENG 101--Composition I (3 units)
MATH 126-- Precalculus (3 units) CO2
PSY 101--General Psychology (3 units) CO6
NUTR 221--Food Service Systems Management (Fall Semester Only) (3 units)
Fine Art Course (3 units) CO7

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### First Year - Second Semester (14 units))
- **MATH 127** - Precalculus II (3 units) CO2
- **CHEM 121A** - General Chemistry I (3 units) CO4 AND
- **CHEM 121L** - General Chemistry Laboratory I (3 units)
- **ENG 102** - Composition II (3 units) CO4L
- **NUTR 220** - Quantity Food Purchasing (Spring Semester Only) (3 units)

General elective (1 credit)

### Second Year - First Semester (15 units)
- **BIOL 190** - Cell & Molecular Biology (3 units)
- **CHEM 122A** - General Chemistry II (3 units) CO4, CO9 AND
- **CHEM 122L** - General Chemistry Laboratory II (1 unit)
- **CH 201** - Ancient and Medieval Cultures (3 units) CO5 OR
- **CH 202** - The Modern World (3 units) CO5
- **NUTR 271** - Introduction to Dietetics (Fall semester only) (1 unit)

General elective (4 units)

### Second Year - Second Semester (15 units)
- **CH 203** - American Experiences and Constitutional Change (3 units) CO5, CO8
- **BIOL 251** - General Microbiology (4 units)
- **CHEM 220A** - Introductory Organic Chemistry Lecture (3 units) AND
- **CHEM 220L** - Introductory Organic Chemistry Lab (1 credit)
- **COM 113** - Fundamentals of Speech Communication (3 units) OR
- **COM 329** - Business/Prof Speaking (3 units)

### Third Year - First Semester (16 credits)
- **MGT 323** - Organization and Interpersonal Behavior (3 units)
- **NUTR 223** - Principles of Nutrition (3 units) CO4
- **NUTR 326** - Principles of Food Science (3 units)
- **BIOL 223A** - Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lecture (3 units)
- **BIOL 223L** - Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab (1 unit)

### Third Year - Second Semester (16-17 units)
- **NUTR 370** - Nutrition in the Life Cycle (Spring semester only) (3 units)
- **BIOL 223A** - Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lecture (3 units)
- **BIOL 223L** - Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab (1 unit)
- **PSY 210** - Statistical Methods (3 units) OR
- **STAT 152** - Introduction to Statistics (3 units) CO2 OR
- **APST 270** - Introduction to Statistical Methods (4 units) CO2
- **Global Context Course (3 units) CO11**

General electives (3 units)
Fourth Year - First Semester (16 units)
NUTR 426--Medical Nutrition Therapy I (Fall Semester Only) (3 units)
BHC 400—Introduction to Biochemistry (4 units)
NUTR 470--Community Nutrition (Fall Semester Only) (3 units)
CHS 310--Health and Wellness Communications (3 credits)
General Elective (3 units)

Fourth Year - Second Semester (15-16 units)
HDFS 438--Children and Families in a Multiethnic Society (3 units) CO10, CO13
NUTR 452 R--Advanced Nutrition (Spring Semester Only) (4 units)
NUTR 427R--Medical Nutrition Therapy II (Spring Semester Only) (3 units)
NUTR 485R--Nutrition Research and Contemporary Issues (Spring Semester Only) (3 units)
General elective (2-3 units)

Nutrition Course Descriptions
See UNR course catalog for descriptions of required courses not listed here.

NUTR 220 FOOD SERVICE SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT (2+3) 3 units; Organization and operation of food services; management principles; food service personnel; labor laws; regulatory agencies; food cost control; record keeping.

NUTR 221 QUANTITY FOOD PURCHASING (3+0) 3 units; Food purchasing for food service systems, understanding of cost factors, marketing factors, food laws, quality standards and basic manufacturing processes.

NUTR 223 PRINCIPLES OF NUTRITION (3+0) 3 units; Nutrient functions and bases for nutrient requirement at the cellular level. Prerequisite: CHEM 121A and CHEM 121L.

NUTR 271 INTRODUCTION TO DIETETICS (1+0) 1 unit; Introduction to the profession of dietetics, educational preparation, professional opportunities, historical perspective.

NUTR 326 PRINCIPLES OF FOOD SCIENCE (3+0) 3 units; Concentration on the selection of foods and the chemical and physical properties of foods that affect their preparation and acceptability. Prerequisite CHEM 121A and CHEM 121L; CHEM 220A or CHEM 341.

NUTR 370 NUTRITION IN THE LIFE CYCLE (3+0) 3 units; Relationship between nutrient needs, development and feeding practices throughout life cycle: pregnancy and lactation, infancy, childhood, adolescence and late life. Prerequisite: NUTR 223

NUTR 426 MEDICAL NUTRITION THERAPY (2+3) 3 credits Modification of the normal diet for the prevention and treatment of diseases. Prerequisite: NUTR 223. BIOL 223A and BIOL 223L; BIOL 224A and BIOL 224L; Senior standing.
NUTR 427 MEDICAL NUTRITION THERAPY II (2+3) 3 credits Modification of the normal diet for the prevention and treatment of diseases. Prerequisite: NUTR 426; Senior standing

NUTR 452 ADVANCED NUTRITION (4+0) 4 credits Examination of physiologic/biochemical functions of major nutrients. Prerequisite: CHEM 122A and CHEM 122L; CHEM 220A or CHEM 341; NUTR 223; BCH 400.

NUTR 470 COMMUNITY NUTRITION (3+0) 3 credits Programs, policy, nutrition assessment, planning and evaluation in the community setting. Prerequisite: NUTR 223, NUTR 370.

NUTR 485 NUTRITION RESEARCH AND CONTEMPORARY ISSUES (3+0) 3 credits Examination of the scientific method and its application to the study of nutrition-based research questions - including standards of responsible research conduct and evidence-based practice. Prerequisite: NUTR 223; BCH 400; Junior or Senior standing

**Academic Probation and Dismissal**

Per the UNR Course Catalog:

**Probation**
Undergraduate students are placed on academic probation when their cumulative University of Nevada GPA is below 2.0 at the end of any regular semester (Fall and Spring). Academic standing is not updated if grade replacements are processed after standing has been assigned for the semester. Students who are placed on Academic Probation will receive a letter notifying them of their academic status (First or Second-Semester Probation). Admissions and Records will place a registration/advisement hold on each probationary student’s record.

**Release from University Probation**
Undergraduate students are removed from Probation at the end of the next regular semester in which their University of Nevada cumulative GPA rises above 2.0.

**Dismissal**
Students who are on Second Semester Probation and fail to raise their University of Nevada GPA above the Academic Probation threshold (2.0) will be dismissed from the University.

Students will receive a letter and an email notifying them to access updated information on their academic status (Probation or Dismissal) at MyNEVADA. If dismissed, a student is not allowed UNR enrollment for a period of one calendar year.

Students whose cumulative University of Nevada grade point average was less than 2.0 for the last three regular semesters of enrollment may petition to return by following the release from university dismissal process below.

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Students whose cumulative University of Nevada grade point average was less than 2.0 for the last one or two regular semesters of enrollment may complete the regular returning student application for admission, but a registration/advising hold will be placed on their record when their admission is processed.

**Release from University Dismissal**

An undergraduate student who has been dismissed may not enroll for one year. Upon dismissal, students should contact their academic advisor promptly to develop a plan to obtain release from dismissal. Dismissed students may return to the University only on the basis of evidence that underlying conditions have materially improved and that they are now capable of academic success.

**Academic Calendar**

All important dates and deadlines are available in the online [Academic Calendar](#).

**DPD Verification Statements**

A DPD Verification Statement is an official Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) document that confirms all DPD knowledge requirements have been met. Possession of a DPD Verification Statement containing the DPD Director’s original signature is needed to begin supervised practice (including a dietetic internship), and to sit for the Nutrition and Dietetics Technician, Registered (NDTR) exam.

UNR will issue DPD Verification Statements for only those students who meet one of the following characteristics:

1) Earned a BS in Nutrition (Dietetics Specialization) from UNR.
2) Earned a baccalaureate at an accredited institution AND completed at least 50% of the DPD courses (per the “DPD Course List” included in this Handbook) at UNR.

The DPD Director issues DPD Verification statements three times each year – approximately four to six weeks following the close of the Fall, Spring and Summer class sessions. Students are sent six, original signed copies of their Verification Statement for their files. The Department of Nutrition retains one original signed copy indefinitely.

In order to prepare and distribute the Verification Statements, each student must take the following steps:

1) Complete and submit the “Information Form for the DPD Verification Statement” (included in the appendix of this handbook) to the DPD Director at the address above.

2) Request that an official copy of UNR transcript be sent directly to the DPD Director. Please note that your transcript must show that the DPD requirements have been met. For most students this means that the BS in Nutrition with the Dietetics Specialization is posted on the transcript. See [Transcripts Request](#) for more information.

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For students applying to supervised practice programs using the Dietetic Internship Centralized Application System (DICAS), the DPD Director will submit the Verification Statements online when requested by the applicants. For students applying for supervised practice prior to completion of the DPD requirements, the DPD Director will prepare and submit a “Declaration of Intent to Complete” when requested by the applicants. Additional information regarding DICAS can be found in this Handbook.

Program Cost and Financial Aid

Tuition and Fees

Tuition and fees are established by the Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) Board of Regents. In addition to the posted tuition and fees, students can expect to spend approximately $800/year for textbooks. Room/Board will vary by hall, occupancy and meal plan. For information regarding withdrawal and refund of tuition and fees, see Campus Business.

Financial Aid

Financial aid and scholarships are available. Don’t hesitate to contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships for assistance and information. In addition, the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources (CABNR) awards approximately $150,000 in undergraduate and graduate scholarships each year. These scholarships are largely awarded on academic merit and financial need. However, some scholarships have additional criteria (e.g., for specific majors or students from specific geographic regions). For further details, including application directions and deadlines, see CABNR Scholarships.

Academic Advising and other Student Support Services/Resources

Academic and Career Advisement

The College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources recognizes the importance of advisement for students’ academic success. Therefore, academic advising is mandatory for all freshmen, sophomores, and first-semester-juniors, as well as new transfer students. This policy applies to nutrition students. Mandatory advising means that students must meet with an advisor from the CABNR Student Center before they are able to register for classes for the upcoming semester. It is suggested that students schedule appointments at least 1-3 weeks prior to your registration date and time.

Contact:
CABNR Student Center Office; Student_center@cabnr.unr.edu; (775) 784-1634
Office: 236 Max Fleischmann Ag Bldg.

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We strongly encourage all students to continue to seek academic advisement throughout their enrollment at UNR. The professional advisors at the CABNR Student Center can answer questions such as:

- What classes are required for a specific major and/or minor?
- Can I get some help using the tools in MyNevada (e.g., academic planner)?
- What classes should I take next semester?
- Can you release an advising hold for me in MyNevada?
- I have several transfer credits. How are they being counted toward my degree?
- I need to drop a class. How will this impact my graduation timeline?
- Can you help me file an appeal for the excess credit fee charges?
- I don’t have a prerequisite for a required course. What are my options?
- I have a time conflict with a required course. What are my options?
- Am I on track to graduate?

In addition to academic advisement, faculty in the Department of Nutrition are available and eager to assist students with questions about nutrition and dietetic professions including but not limited to dietetic internships, dietetic credentials, and employment opportunities. Nutrition faculty can answer these and other questions:

- What can I do with my degree?
- What are employers looking for?
- What is the employment outlook for graduates with my degree?
- How can I enhance the likelihood of being successful in obtaining an internship?
- Should I consider post-graduate education? How will my degree prepare me for graduate school?

**UNR Support Services**

The University of Nevada, Reno provides the following resources to ensure the success and well-being of our students:

- **Counseling Services** – Provides psychological services to University students to support and facilitate the personal and academic success and development

- **Disability Resource Center** – Serves students with disabilities, providing academic accommodations and access to an equitable learning environment

- **Math Center** – offers tutoring and support for math

- **Nevada Career Studio** – Helps students develop their dreams, get professional experience and prepare for careers

- **Pack Provisions** – Strives to support all members of the University with the daily resources they need to ensure success by providing access to perishable and non-perishable foods, meals on campus, school supplies, hygiene items and more
TRiO and McNair Scholars – Assists low-income, first-generation students to overcome the cultural, academic, class and social barriers to success in higher education

Tutoring Center – Provides FREE one-on-one appointments, Nevada PASS sessions, walk-in labs and weekly small groups sessions

Writing & Speaking Center – Offers tutoring, support and resources for student writing

Technology Support - Provides assistance with computing and technology

Student Health Center- Provides a wide range of health care services to meet the needs of students

Fitness and Recreational Sports – A variety of equipment, classes and locations are available for students to stay fit

Important Policies Concerning Students Rights and Responsibilities

The DPD at the University of Nevada, Reno will operate in compliance with these and all policies of the institution and the Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE).

Nondiscrimination Policy

The Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE), who is committed to providing a place of work and learning free of discrimination on the basis of a person's age, disability, whether actual or perceived by others (including service-connected disabilities), gender (including pregnancy related conditions), military status or military obligations, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic information, national origin, race, or religion. No employee or student, either in the workplace or in the academic environment, should be subject to discrimination. All students, faculty, staff, and other members of the campus community are subject to this policy. Where discrimination is found to have occurred, the NSHE will act to stop the discrimination, to prevent its recurrence, to remedy its effects, and to discipline those responsible.

For further information, contact:
Equal Opportunity and Title IX Office
Phone: 775-784-1547; FAX: 775-784-1972; Email: eotix@unr.edu
Address: CE Bldg, Room 206; 1664 N. Virginia St; Reno, NV 89557

PLEASE NOTE: If you have observed or feel you have been the victim of discrimination or harassment that is related to your age, disability, gender (including pregnancy related conditions), military status or military obligations, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic information, national origin, race, or religion, or have been subjected to unwelcome sexual advances, please report it to the Title IX office listed above.
Privacy Policy

In accordance with institutional policy and the U.S. Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), the University of Nevada, Reno vigorously protects the privacy of student education records. The institution does not release private records of individual students, such as grades and class schedules, without prior written consent of the student.

See the Privacy Policy for Students for further details regarding the use and release of “directory” information,

Policy Regarding Student Access to Educational Records

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of student educational records and establishes rights for students relative to the disclosure of these records.

Your rights under FERPA include:

1. The right to inspect and review your education record within a reasonable time after the University receives a request for access. If you want to review your record, contact the University office that maintains the record to make appropriate arrangements. To request to view your record please submit the Student Request to Inspect & Review Education Records form to the Office of Admissions and Records. The institution has 45 calendar days to comply.

2. The right to request an amendment of your education record if you believe it is inaccurate or misleading. The Office of Admissions and Records will notify you of the decision and advise you regarding appropriate steps if you do not agree with the decision. To request to amend or remove education records please submit the Request to Amend or Remove Education Records form to the Office of Admissions and Records. A Records Custodian will notify the student of the decision. The institution has 45 calendar days to comply.

3. The right to consent to disclosure of personally identifiable information contained in your education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception which permits disclosure without consent is disclosure to school officials with "legitimate educational interests." A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official has a "need to know: information from education record in order to fulfill duties, and only within the context of who serve on official institutional committees, and representatives of agencies under contract with the University.

4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the University to comply with the requirements of FERPA.
If the student does not agree with the decision of the Records Custodian after submitting a Request to Amend or Remove Education Records, the student may submit a Request for Formal Hearing to Amend or Remove Education Records form to the Office of Admissions and Records. An independent Hearing Panel will be convened to schedule a hearing with the student to discuss the amendment/removal in question. The panel has 45 calendar days to comply with the request. Please note that the decision of the Hearing Panel is final.

If the student disagrees with the panel's decision, he/she has the right to place in his/her record a written statement commenting on the information in the record and/or stating his/her reasons for disagreeing with the decision. This explanation will become part of the student's education record as long as the record is maintained.

Under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) a student has the right to inspect and review their education records. Parents or other Third Parties may request to view a record without student consent if the student in question is under the age of 18 and the parent/third party provides proof of dependency in the form of the most recent year tax return in addition to the Third Party Request to Review Education Records form. Please bring both to the Office of Admissions and Records. The institution may exercise its discretion to do so and has 45 calendar days to comply.

Students can authorize a third party release in MyNEVADA from the Student Center. Please see MyNEVADA Help for detailed instructions.

Forms relating to FERPA requests can be obtained by contacting Admissions and Records by email at mynevada@unr.edu or in person at the Front Counter in Fitzgerald Student Services, 2nd Floor.

**Accessibility Policy**

UNR is committed to diversity and to ensuring that programs, services and activities are accessible to all individuals, including those with disabilities. Learn more about the institution’s commitment to Accessibility and Accommodations including alternative testing services.

**Liability**

Students are not covered by workers' compensation or liability insurance. It is recommended that students have medical insurance and that the coverage is verified.

**Student Conduct and Academic Standards**

All students enrolled at UNR are expected to be familiar with and comply with the Student Code of Conduct and Academic Standards.
Student Complaints

The complaint policy for dietetic students is as follows:

**Step 1:** Students should first speak to the DPD Program Director (who is currently the Chair of the Department of Nutrition) unless the issue is about the program director then the student may meet with the Dean of the College or his/her representative (CABNR).

**Step 2:** If the complaint is not resolved by the Dean or his/her representative the student has the option to meet with the Provost’s Office.

**Step 3:** If a student complaint is not resolved and the specific complaint relates to a program’s compliance with the accreditation/approval standards then the student may contact ACEND to submit a formal complaint. ACEND will review complaints that relate to a program’s compliance with the accreditation/approval standards. The Council does not intervene on behalf of individuals or act as a court of appeal for individuals in matters of admission, appointment, promotion or dismissal of faculty, staff, or students. The Council acts only upon a signed allegation that the program may not be in compliance with the Accreditation Standards or policies. Anonymous complaints are not considered.

The Profession of Dietetics

Introduction

Public awareness of the relationship between nutrition and wellness is growing rapidly. Consumers need guidance in applying basic nutrition principles to health and lifestyle decisions. Certified dietetic professionals are uniquely qualified to distinguish between nutrition facts and fallacies, and to provide consumers with sound, evidence-based nutritional advice and care. Dietetic professionals offer expertise and services to individuals and groups desiring to maintain, improve, or restore health. These services may be provided in a variety of settings ranging from acute care hospitals to school foodservice operations. Opportunities also exist in other settings such as corporate wellness, athletics, consulting, sales, and research and development. The broad range of opportunities for practice within the profession provides for maximum flexibility throughout one’s career.

Dietetic Credentials/Certifications

Credentialed dietetic professionals include the Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN)*, and the Nutrition and Dietetic Technician, Registered (NDTR)**. These credentials are awarded by the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) to those who meet specific criteria (described below). Over 104,000 RDNs and 5,000 NDTRs have been certified by CDR.
In addition to the RDN and NDTR credentials, CDR also awards Specialist and Advanced Practice Certification to those who meet specific criteria. These include:

CSR - Board Certified Specialist in Renal Nutrition
CSP - Board Certified Specialist in Pediatric Nutrition
CSSD - Board Certified Specialist in Sports Dietetics
CSG - Board Certified Specialist in Gerontological Nutrition
CSO - Board Certified Specialist in Oncology Nutrition
CSOWM – Board Certified Specialist in Obesity and Weight Management
RDN-AP - Advanced Practice in Clinical Nutrition.

* RD and RDN are two credential designation options for one certification program. Practitioners may choose to use one or the other
** DTR and NDTR are two credential designation options for one certification program. Practitioners may choose to use one or the other.

Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN)

Pathway to Registration

Step 1: Complete a minimum of a bachelor’s degree at a US regionally accredited university or college (or foreign equivalent) and the requirements of an ACEND-accredited DPD.

Step 2: Complete an ACEND-accredited supervised practice program (e.g., a dietetic internship) at a health-care facility, community agency, and/or a foodservice corporation. Typically, a supervised practice program is seven to 12 months in length. There are many that are integrated with a graduate program. Time to complete these programs is generally longer.

Step 3: Pass a national examination administered by the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR).

For information regarding other pathways to registration and information regarding the credentialing examination, refer to CDR.

After earning the RDN credential, continuing professional educational requirements must be met to maintain registration.

In addition to RDN credentialing, Nevada and many other states require that practicing RDNs be licensed. The primary purpose of licensure is to protect the public. For further information, see the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health.
PLEASE NOTE:

1) Completion of the DPD program (the 1st step) does not guarantee acceptance into a supervised practice program (often referred to as a dietetic internship).

2) Effective January 1, 2024, the CDR will require a minimum of a master’s degree to be eligible to take the credentialing exam to become a registered dietitian nutritionist (RDN). The Department of Nutrition offers a Master of Science in Nutrition, which will meet this requirement.

Work Environment

RDNs work in a wide variety of employment settings, including health care, business and industry, community/public health, education, research, government agencies and private practice.

As described by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, RDNs work in:

- **Hospitals, HMO's or other health-care facilities**, educating patients about nutrition and administering medical nutrition therapy as part of the health-care team. They may also manage the foodservice operations in these settings, as well as in schools, day-care centers and correctional facilities, over-seeing everything from food purchasing and preparation to managing staff.
- **Sports nutrition and corporate wellness programs**, educating clients about the connection between food, fitness and health.
- **Food and nutrition-related business and industries**, working in communications, consumer affairs, public relations, marketing, product development or consulting with chefs in restaurants and culinary schools.
- **Private practice**, working under contract with health-care or food companies, or in their own business. RDNs may provide services to foodservice or restaurant managers, food vendors and distributors or athletes, nursing home residents or company employees.
- **Community and public health settings**, teaching, monitoring and advising the public and helping improve their quality of life through healthy eating habits.
- **Universities and medical centers**, teaching physician’s assistants, nurses, dietetics students, dentists and others the sophisticated science of foods and nutrition.
- **Research areas** in food and pharmaceutical companies, universities and hospitals directing or conducting experiments to answer critical nutrition questions and find alternative foods or nutrition recommendations for the public.
Salaries and Job Outlook

According to the Academy's 2017 Compensation and Benefits survey of the Dietetics Profession, the median hourly wage as of April 1, 2017, was $30.45 among all RDNs in all positions; which equates to an annualized full-time salary of $63,340 per year. The median hourly wage for entry-level RDNs (those with less than five years in the field) was $25.00. As with any profession, salaries and fees vary by experience, region of the country, employment settings, scope of responsibility and supply of RDNs. Salaries also increase with education, specialty certifications (e.g., Certified Diabetes Educator), and years of experience.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts that the number of jobs for registered dietitians and nutritionists will increase by 11 percent between 2018 and 2028, much faster than the average growth rate of all occupations of 5%.

Nutrition and Dietetic Technician, Registered (NDTR)

Pathway to Registration

Step 1: Complete a minimum of a bachelor’s degree at a US regionally accredited university or college (or foreign equivalent) and the requirements of an ACEND-accredited DPD.

Step 2: Pass a national examination administered by the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR). For more information regarding the examination, refer to CDR.

In addition, the pathway described above, the NDTR credential may also be earned by completing an ACEND -accredited Dietetic Technician Program, and passing a national examination administered by the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR). One such program is offered by the Truckee Meadows Community College.

After earning the NDTR credential, continuing professional educational requirements must be met to maintain registration.

Work Environment

NDTRs work independently or as a team member under the supervision of registered dietitians in a variety of employment settings, including health care, business and industry, community/public health, foodservice and research.

As described by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, NDTRs work in:

- Hospitals, HMOs, clinics, nursing homes, retirement centers, hospices, home health-care programs and research facilities helping to treat and prevent disease by conducting screens, gathering data and performing other tasks to assist the registered dietitian in providing medical nutrition therapy as an important part of health-care teams.
• Schools, day-care centers, correctional facilities, restaurants, health-care facilities, corporations and hospitals, managing employees, purchasing and food preparation and preparing budgets within foodservice operations.

• Women, infant, children (WIC) programs, public health agencies, Meals on Wheels and community health programs, developing and teaching nutrition classes for the public.

• Health clubs, weight management clinics and community wellness centers, helping to educate clients about the connection between food, fitness and health.

• Food companies, contract food management companies or food vending and distributing operations developing menus, overseeing foodservice sanitation and food safety and preparing food labeling information and nutrient analysis.

Salaries and Job Outlook

According to the Academy's 2017 Compensation and Benefits survey of the Dietetics Profession, the median hourly wage as of April 1, 2017, was $20.19 among all NDTRs in all positions; which equates to an annualized full-time salary of $42,000 per year. As with any profession, salaries and fees vary by experience, region of the country, and employment settings. Salaries also increase with years in the field, education, specialty certifications (e.g., Certified Dietary Manager).

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics does not provide predictions for NDTRs specifically.

Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics

The Code of Ethics reflects the values and ethical principles guiding the nutrition and dietetics profession and sets forth commitments and obligations of the practitioner to the public, clients, the profession, colleagues and other professionals. By accepting membership in the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics and/or accepting and maintaining CDR credentials (including the RDN and the NDTR), all nutrition and dietetics practitioners agree to abide by this Code.

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (formerly known as the American Dietetic Association) is the world's largest organization of food and nutrition professionals. Currently, the Academy has over 100,000 members in over 80 countries throughout the world. As a leader in food and nutrition issues, the Academy provides expert testimony at hearings, lobbies Congress and other governmental bodies, comments on proposed federal and state regulations, and develops position statements on critical food and nutrition issues. In addition, the Academy is committed to advancing the profession of nutrition of dietetics through research, science and quality.
Student Membership

Student members of the Academy enjoy reduced dues while gaining access to the vast majority of benefits of active members, including career resources and scholarships.

Scholarships: The Academy Foundation offers nearly $500,000 in scholarships annually to qualifying dietetics student members at all levels of study.

Employment resources: The Academy’s online job board, EatRight Careers, features job postings monthly and allows you to create custom e-mail alerts, respond directly to job listings, post your résumé for employer searches and target your search by specialty or geographic location—all for free.

News and information: Student membership includes subscriptions to these publications, which help you stay current and learn about your future profession.

- *Food & Nutrition Magazine®*: This bi-monthly magazine emphasizes breaking news and trends in nutrition, diet, health, culinary arts, food service, sports nutrition, fitness, integrative nutrition, food safety and other professional services.
- *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics*: Your premier source for information on the practice and science of food, nutrition and dietetics. Available online and in the Journal app (iOS and Android).
- *Student Scoop*: The Academy’s exclusive Student member e-newsletter. Learn about trends in the profession and gain insight into starting your career.

Get Involved! Student members are integral to the Academy—you represent the future of the food, nutrition and dietetics profession.

Academy Groups

The Academy facilitates peer-to-peer communication by offering a number of different venues for networking among members.

Dietetic Practice Groups (DPGs): These professional interest groups enable members to enhance their specialized knowledge, share practice tips, and establish relationships with colleagues from all over the world. DPGs include a vast array of specialties, such as Diabetes Care and Education, Food and Culinary Professionals, Weight Management, Women’s Health, Pediatric Nutrition, Health Aging and more.

Member Interest Groups (MIGs): MIGs are groups of Academy members who have common interests, issues or backgrounds. Unlike dietetic practice groups or affiliates, MIGs focus on areas other than the practice or geographic location and reflect the many characteristics of the Academy’s membership and the public it serves.
Affiliate Dietetic Associations: The Academy's state-level associations sponsor local education programs, networking opportunities, scholarship fundraising efforts and more. **Membership in your local affiliate is included in your Academy membership** (see information about NvAND below).

**The Nevada Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics**

The Nevada Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (NvAND) is the leading group of food and nutrition experts in the state of Nevada. NvAND has over 400 members, consisting of registered dietitian nutritionists (RDNs), nutrition and dietetic technicians, registered (NDTRs), nutrition students and dietetic interns. Student members benefit from many networking opportunities with the local nutrition professionals during meetings and conferences.

**UNR’s Student Nutrition Association (SNA)**

The University of Nevada, Reno **Student Nutrition Association** is a growing club on campus. The purpose of this organization is to provide a framework for meaningful student involvement and to foster interest in the profession of nutrition and dietetics. The SNA strives to broaden the scope of nutrition education through nutrition related activities and to provide credible nutrition information to the community. Any student interested in the field of nutrition or has a focus on the field of dietetic is encouraged to participate in membership.
Dietetic Supervised Practice Programs (Dietetic Internships)

Overview

The Commission on Dietetic Registration requires a minimum of 1200 hours of supervised pre-professional practice experience before being eligible to take the RDN credentialing exam. This supervised practice experience must be one accredited by ACEND. Most, but not all, supervised practice programs are dietetic internships. Therefore, for the purposes of this portion of the Handbook, supervised practice programs will be referred to as “dietetic internships”.

There are a variety of dietetic internships across the U.S. They vary in length, cost, emphasis and requirements. All are required to provide verification statements upon successful completion of the program, which serves as evidence of eligibility to take the RDN exam.

Students are advised to explore internship options early in their academic career so that you fully understand the time and financial commitment. Details regarding ACEND-accredited internships, can be found here. Please note that UNR has an accredited Dietetic Internship Program; information can be found here.

It is important to note that students must earn admission to dietetic internships. Because the number of applicants currently exceeds the number of program openings, it is competitive. Students seeking the RDN credential should be prepared to invest the effort and time necessary to be a competitive applicant. Completion of a DPD does not guarantee admission to a dietetic internship. Students are encouraged to use ACEND’s suggestions for improving their chances of earning a dietetic internship.

Eligibility

Please see “Pathway to Registration” above.

General Internship Application Procedures

Dietetic internship applications are usually submitted through the Dietetic Internship Centralized Application Service (DICAS). In addition to DICAS, applicants participate in a computerized-matching process managed by D&D Digital. You may apply to as many programs as you like; however, the process results in a maximum of one match.

Two application cycles are offered each year (called match cycles). The submission deadlines are February 15 (often referred to as the spring match cycle; for programs starting in June thru September) and September 25 (often referred to as the fall match cycle; for programs starting in January). A small number of programs follow a different application process and timeline. Thus, another reason that exploring your internships options early is very helpful. Also note that not all internships accept applications twice per year.
Students are encouraged to talk with a nutrition faculty advisor regarding the optimum time to apply. As noted previously, you must have a DPD verification statement prior to starting a dietetic internship program. However, students who will complete their degree and DPD requirements before the start date of the dietetic internship, are eligible to apply for dietetic internships. In other words, students who graduate in May are eligible to participate in the Spring match cycle and students who will graduate in December are eligible to participate in the Fall match cycle. Students are encouraged to talk with a nutrition faculty advisor regarding the optimum time to apply.

**General Timeline for Applications to Dietetic Internships**

A general time and sequence of events for applying to dietetic internships is described below.

1. Six to twelve months before the match cycle:
   
   a. Learn as much as possible about the variety of internships available.
   b. Begin to narrow your list of potential internships.
   c. Attend internship Open House events if possible (some on site, some virtual).
   d. Carefully consider who you will ask to write a letter of recommendation.

2. Four-Six months before the match deadline:
   
   a. Begin your DICAS application. DICAS accounts are free and will carry-over information from one match cycle to the next.
      
      i. You will need the DPD Course List (List is appended; the DPD Director can provide you with a digital version).
      ii. You will need to have transcripts for each college you have attended (can be unofficial) to use while manually entering each DPD course and grade (or transfer equivalent).
      iii. You will need to request official transcripts from each college you have attended to be sent directly to DICAS. (Instructions are posted within DICAS.)
   
   b. Keep your DICAS user ID and password in a safe place, so that you will not accidentally make two accounts – the email you enter will be used to identify your account.

   c. Identify your “short list” of internships you will apply to. Please note: If you apply to an internship, you must be prepared to accept a match with that internship. Doing otherwise is considered unprofessional. Record the specific details and process for each internship on your “short list”. Each may have their own deadlines and may request information/fees be sent directly to the program in addition to what is submitted to DICAS.
d. Request letters of recommendation. The reference may ask you to send information to them and/or schedule a time to talk in person. Make sure you request a recommendation before entering their names into DICAS since DICAS automatically informs contacts when their name has been entered.

e. Draft your personal statement. This is your opportunity to highlight your strengths and accomplishments and explain why you are a strong candidate. Be prepared to spend many hours drafting and editing this document. Use the resources at the UNR Writing and Speaking Center as/if needed. Ask for feed-back from faculty.

f. Update your resume. Some internships will require a resume. Use UNR Career Studio as/if needed to develop a professional resume.

3. Once the official match cycle has opened:

   a. Finish entering all required information into DICAS, including the request for the Declaration of Intent from the DPD Director and the requests for letters of recommendation. Both types of requests are done through DICAS, who then contacts the DPD Director and letter authors.

   b. Register with D&D Digital for the computer-match. You will rank the internships to which you are applying. The internships will rank the applications they receive. A computer algorithm facilitates the match process. If you apply to more than one internship and are matched, the match algorithm only results in one match. D&D charges a $55 registration fee. Keep your D&D user ID and password in a safe place.

   Please note that it is very helpful to the DPD Director if you agree to have your matching result reported to the DPD. However, it is not mandatory that you do so.

4. Before the application deadline:

   a. Submit all materials by the application deadline identified by the internships. Generally, this is either September 25 or February 15. There are no exceptions to published deadlines. Thus, it is suggested that you submit your application well before the deadline leaving time to resolve any problems that may occur. If you need assistance with computer matching, please contact D&D Digital customer support at 515/292-0490 or dnd@sigler.com.

   b. DICAS charges $45 for the first application and $20/program for each additional program.
5. Match week:

a. Sunday at 6pm (CT): Students check the match result at D&D Digital. If you are matched, you must contact the internship program to accept the match.

b. Monday at 6pm (time zone of internship): Deadline to officially accept match by contacting the internship program. If you do not meet this deadline, you forfeit the spot.

c. Tuesday-Wednesday: If you did not match, programs that you applied to may contact you by phone or email to offer you a spot in the program. Please do not initiate contact yourself until the second round begins.

d. Thursday at 11am (CT): SECOND-ROUND - A list of internships with remaining open spots is posted on D&D Digital. Unmatched applicants can apply in this “Second Round” to any open spots, including ISPP (spots held for students with at least one unmatched cycle).

6. Post-match:

If you do not match, do not give up on your goal of earning a dietetic internship. Many students match on their second match cycle. Those who do, use the time to strengthen their application. Your DPD director is here to help you and provide assistance with future match cycles.
# Appendix

## DPD Course List (used for DPD GPA calculation)

### DPD Professional Courses

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DIDACTIC PROGRAM IN DIETETICS (DPD)
Information Form for the DPD Verification Statement

A verification statement is the document you will receive from the DPD Director noting that required courses and/or degree for the DPD have been met. Preparation of the verification statement cannot take place until after the DPD Director has received an official copy of your final transcripts showing you have passing grades in all required courses, and that you have earned your baccalaureate degree. It is your responsibility to request that an official copy of the transcript (with the degree posted) be sent to the DPD Director.

The DPD Director will prepare your verification statement approximately 30 to 45 days after you have graduated or met the DPD requirements. Please do not expect it earlier. Three, signed copies of the verification statement will be sent to the address you provide below for your records. To ensure there are no delays in getting this to you, please complete the requested information below and return this form to Dr. Jamie Benedict, DPD Director, on or before the close of your last semester (typically the semester you graduate).

Please provide all information requested below and write legibly. Inconsistencies and/or misspellings can create delays and potentially problems with dietetic exam eligibility.

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Permanent phone number: __________________________________________

Permanent email address: __________________________________________

By signing below, you confirm the information provided above is accurate and you understand your Verification Statement will be prepared 30 to 45 days after graduation or completion of DPD requirements.

Signature:
Date:
Anticipated Graduation Date:
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