DIDACTIC PROGRAM IN DIETETICS (GRADUATE CERTIFICATE)

https://colsa.unh.edu/agriculture-nutrition-food-systems/program/certificate/didactic-program-dietetics

Description

The Didactic Program in Dietetics Certificate is a two semester, 21-credit program that prepares students to enter a dietetic internship. This certificate program is designed for students who previously received a bachelor’s degree and are seeking a Verification Statement, which is the documentation required to enter a dietetic internship. Eligibility criteria include a previous bachelor’s degree (in any field) and successful completion of the prerequisite courses.

The path to becoming a registered dietitian includes earning a bachelor’s degree (in any field), completing an accredited Didactic Program in Dietetics (this may be completed at the undergraduate or graduate level), completing an accredited Dietetic Internship, and passing the National Registered Dietitian Exam. The University of New Hampshire’s DPD curriculum is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND). Coursework includes a variety of science and professional courses that meet the ACEND required knowledge. Course instructors incorporate a variety of educational techniques including in-class learning and hands on clinical and simulation experiences. Approximately 70-80% of our graduating students who apply for dietetic internships are matched to an internship during their final semester.

Application Requirements:

1. Bachelor’s degree with GPA ≥ 3.0
2. Completion of prerequisite courses within the past 10 years with a combined GPA ≥ 3.2
3. Earned ≥ B in the introductory nutrition course (NUTR 400 Nutrition in Health and Well Being or equivalent)
4. Earned ≥ C+ in the Anatomy and Physiology I or Chemistry I course (BMS 507 Human Anatomy and Physiology I or CHEM 403 General Chemistry I or approved equivalent)

Prerequisite Courses at UNH (or approved equivalent from outside institution):

- ABM 508 or ACFI 501: Managerial Accounting
- ENGL 401: First-Year Writing
- HMG 403: Introduction to Food Management
- HMP 401: United States Health Care Systems
- NUTR 400: Nutrition in Health and Well Being
- NUTR 476: Nutritional Assessment
- NUTR 504: Managerial Skills in Dietetics
- NUTR 550: Food Science: Principle and Practice
- NUTR 610: Nutrition Education and Counseling

Requirements

Certificate Program Coursework:

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Total Credits: 21