**NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES**
(M.S.)

https://colsa.unh.edu/ansf/nutritional-sciences-graduate-program/
nutritional-sciences-ms

**Description**

In this program students become actively engaged in a research project related to the nutritional sciences and gain a comprehensive understanding of nutritional science through their coursework. Emphasis is placed on active participation in original hypothesis-driven research of publishable quality. The program is for students who anticipate a professional career involving research or discovery, with a strong background in the basic biology and chemistry of nutrition. This degree may be most appropriate for students who expect to pursue further advanced study, e.g., additional graduate studies or professional school, after graduation.

**Requirements**

The program of study must include a minimum of 30 graduate credits as well as completion of a 6 credit Master’s Thesis based on a research project (NUTR 899 Master’s Thesis). No more than 4 credits of investigations (NUTR 995 Non-thesis Investigations) can apply toward the total credit count. Each candidate must present at least two seminars (exclusive of the thesis defense) and must serve as a teaching assistant for at least one semester. A thesis committee will be appointed early in the program and will consist of at least three members of the graduate faculty; one of these will be the primary mentor. Students will design a program of study in close consultation with their thesis committee, including their academic courses and scientific research project. Candidates will be required to pass an oral examination based on their graduate courses and completed thesis. Skills in communicating scientific information will be fostered by presenting one seminar during each year of enrollment. This requirement could include the master’s thesis defense seminar.