



**BALL STATE
UNIVERSITY**

College of Health
Department of Nutrition
and Health Science

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DIETETICS

MAJOR IN DIETETICS 83 HRS*

Dietetics/Pre-Dietetics (four-year program). The Didactic Program in Dietetics prepares students for careers that maximize health through nutrition. The program provides the first level academic preparation for a career as a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN). Dietetics students learn about the role of foods and nutrition in the prevention and treatment of many health conditions, nutrition counseling methods, community initiatives to improve nutrition-related health outcomes, and management of foodservice systems. New graduates are prepared to enter an ACEND-accredited supervised practice program (Dietetic Internship) and/or graduate school. The Dietetics Internship application is a national, competitive process that is based on GPA, work and volunteer experience, and professional recommendations provided by professors and employers. After completion of supervised practice, the individual is eligible to sit for the national registration exam to become a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN).*

*Effective January 1, 2024 a graduate degree will be required to sit for the national registration examination to become an RDN. Please note that the required dietetic internship is often incorporated into graduate programs, providing graduate credit toward the graduate degree.

PROGRAM ADMISSION

The Dietetics Program requires admission from the Pre-Dietetics Major into Dietetics Major (second semester of the second year for most students). Admission Requirements: A Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher including:

- Completion of the required CHEM series, ANAT 201, PHYS 215 obtaining a "C" or better in each class.
- Completion of the required NUTR 101 and 340 courses, obtaining a grade of "B" or better and a grade of "B" or better in all HOSP courses completed prior to application.

PROGRAM COMPLETION & VERIFICATION

Completion of the Didactic Program in Nutrition and Dietetics is based on meeting university requirements for graduation and Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) Knowledge Requirements. In addition to a diploma, graduates of the DPD will be issued a Verification Statement (Verification of Completion) indicating that all ACEND competencies have been met. The verification statement is required for admission into a dietetic internship (supervised practice) and must accompany the application to take the national registration examination for dietitians. These statements will be issued to the graduate following confirmation of graduation by the advising center and review of the dietetics program director. A complete list of courses required for the dietetics major and ACEND Knowledge Requirement completion is available below (ACEND competencies are not measured in University Core Courses).

Students who have previously earned a four-year degree from

an accredited university (in any major) may choose to pursue Verification in Dietetics, an expedited pathway to complete ACEND Knowledge Requirements. Those who have a prior four-year degree should contact the Dietetics Program Director.

PROGRAM ACCREDITATION

The Didactic Program in Dietetics is fully accredited by the Accreditation Council on Education for Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND)

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CAREERS IN DIETETICS

The Didactic Program in Dietetics prepares students for opportunities to pursue the RDN credential. An RDN provides nutrition care in clinical, community, food service, and administration settings. Some examples of jobs in which our graduates work include: Clinical Dietitian, Public Health Nutritionist, Director of Food and Nutrition Services, Sports Dietitian, School Nutrition Services Director, or as a Dietitian Specialist. RDNs often pursue specialty certifications including Board Certified Specialist Training in Diabetes, Eating Disorders, Geriatric, Nutrition Support, Obesity/Weight Management, Oncology, Pediatric, Pediatric Critical Care, Renal/Kidney Disease, and Sports Nutrition. For a more comprehensive list of employment options in nutrition and dietetics, visit the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics website www.eatright.org.

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EIGHT SEMESTER STUDENT SCHEDULE F17 CURRICULUM

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STUDENT CHECK SHEET **DIETETICS**

FALL SEMESTER				SPRING SEMESTER			
FRESHMAN YEAR							
NUTR 101	Intro Dietetics	1 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	BIO 113	Microbiology for HS	5 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
HOSP 110	Fd Prep Sci	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	HOSP 220	Meal Des Pre (110)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
CHEM 111*	Gen. Chem 1	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	CHEM 112*	Gen. Chem 2 (111)	4 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
ENG 103	Comp 1	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	ENG 104	Comp 2	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tier 1	Fine Arts	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tier 1	Personal Finance	1 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUBTOTAL:		16 CR		SUBTOTAL:		16 CR	
SOPHOMORE YEAR							
ANAT 201	Fund Human Anat	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	CHEM 360	Essen Biochem (230)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
CHEM 230	Organic Chem (112)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	CHEM 361	Essen Biochem Lab	1 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
CHEM 241	Organic Chem Lab	1 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	PHYS 215	Human Physio (ANAT 201)	5 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
PSYS 100*	Intro Psych	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tier 1	Oral Communication	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
NUTR 340	Human Nutr. (Chem100, 101 or 111)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tier 1	Humanities	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tier 1	Math	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	SUBTOTAL:		15 CR	
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JUNIOR YEAR							
NUTR 345^	Macro Nutr	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	NUTR 346^	Micro Nutr	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
NUTR 350^	Tech FD Sci (HOSP 220)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	NUTR 425***	Nutr Practicum (360, 375)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
NUTR 360^	Nutr Cardio Metabolic Disease (340)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	PHIL 202**	Ethics (Tier 2 Humanities)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
NUTR 375^	Nutr Ed Couns	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYS 241	Elem Stats (MATH 125)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
HOSP 147	Sanitation	1 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	NUR 101	Term Healthcare Prof	2 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tier 1	Physical Wellness	2 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	SUBTOTAL:		14 CR	
WPP 392	Writing Prof Exam	0 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	PAY ATTENTION TO PREREQUISITES! If you register for a course but have not successfully completed its prerequisite, you will be dropped from the class.			
SUBTOTAL:		15 CR					
SENIOR YEAR							
NUTR 480	Global Nutrition (340)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	NUTR 447^	Med Ntr Th 2 (446)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
NUTR 446^	Med Ntr Th 1 (360)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	NUTR 456^	Community Nutr (455)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
NUTR 363	Admin Fd Nutr Systems	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	NUTR 365^	Prof Leadership Nutr Diet	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
NUTR 455^	Lifecycle Ntr (340)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	NUTR XXX	Elective	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
NUTR 435^	Research Mthds (PSYS 241)	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tier 1	History	3 CR	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUBTOTAL:		15 CR		SUBTOTAL:		15 CR	
GRAND TOTAL:				120 CR			

*Also UCC credits; *Writing designation and UCC Tier 2; ***Dietetics Capstone Tier
^Must be admitted to Dietetics Major