

SCHOOL of Arts and Professions

Department of Human Ecology

Dietetics and Nutrition Benchmark

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Level

Dietetics (DPD Program) & Nutrition Program

- Freshman applicants must have graduated from an accredited secondary school. For optimal admission consideration, an academic grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.5 and scored competitively on the SAT or ACT tests.
- Students may complete the Declaration of Major form with a designated concentration in Dietetics as a freshman or transfer student, and be assigned an advisor. **However, the declaration of a concentration in dietetics does not constitute admission into the program.** Also, once admitted, DPD students are required to become student members of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics to be able to access the Evidenced Analysis Library and position papers. The current student membership fee is \$50.
- Students who wish to be admitted into the Didactic Program in Dietetics may apply for admission after completing 28 semester hours with a minimum overall GPA of 2.75 and a grade of “C” or better in foundation courses BIOL 111/113; CHEM 111/113 and CHEM 112/114; NUDT 210; MATH 209; ENGL 101 and ENGL 102; SOCI 101; PSYCH 200; and EXSC 111; including: HUEC 100 First Year Experience and satisfactory passage of the English Proficiency Exam. Admissions into the DPA program requires:
 - GPA of 2.75 or above on a 4.0 scale in required courses.
 - Completion of 28 semester hours with a minimum overall GPA of 2.75 and a grade of “C” or better in foundation courses BIOL 111/113; CHEM 111/113 and CHEM 112/114; NUDT 210; MATH 209; ENGL 101 and ENGL 102; SOCI 101; PSYCH 200; and EXSC 111; including: HUEC 100 First Year Experience and satisfactory passage of the English Proficiency Exam
 - Completion of the DPD application form

Graduation & Verification Statement* (to earn the B.S. degree)

- Audit collapses (i.e., all courses taken and all parts completed)
- Program graduates are eligible to receive a verification statement upon successful completion of the dietetics program with a GPA of 3.0 or better.
- Successful completion of senior seminar, Foodservice Systems Management and Senior Practicum - (NUDT 471 & NUDT 475 meets the required experiential learning).** Students must complete all courses with a grade of “C” or better.
- Students are required to complete a 200 clock-hour internship. This is completed during the senior year. Students not having completed required major courses with a grade of “C” or better

are not eligible to register for NU DT 475 – Senior Practicum.**

- Maintenance of a 2.75 overall grade point average, however in order to receive a Verification Statement, students must have a 3.0 GPA. If a student continues to have difficulty maintaining the minimum 2.75 GPA, the student may be advised to consider transferring into other concentrations within the Department of Human Ecology such as nutrition or Family and Consumers Sciences.
- Maintenance of 2.75 grade point average in major courses (no grades lower than “C”)
- *Only students in the Dietetics (DPD) program are eligible to receive a verification statement
- **Students in the nutrition program are not required to complete an internship. However, each student is required to complete an extensive senior research project.

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Total Credits to complete :