15th Annual Dietetic Internship Forum

Welcome!

University of Tennessee Mossman Auditorium
November 21, 2019
Welcome program directors and representatives!
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Meredith College
Raleigh, NC
https://www.meredith.edu/dietetic-internship
Meredith has a total of 44 intern slots & 3 different pathways:

- Traditional = 12
- Site Preceptor Pathway = 12
- ISPP = 20

NOTABLE NUMBERS...

- 96% RD Exam Pass rate
- 98% Completion rate
- 100% 1 year employment rate
INTERNSHIP at-a-glance

Weekly Schedule:

40+ hours per week
Business hours: 8:00am - 5:00pm (typical)
Some early morning or evening hours

Academic Schedule:

Clinical: 12 weeks - 12 modules
Community: 9 weeks - 10 modules
Food Service - 8 weeks - 10 modules
Enrichment: 4 weeks
Leadership Concentration

Step 1: Leadership competencies

- Competencies provided at orientation are more “lecture” style
- We teach you HOW to be a leader and provide characteristics of leaders

Step 2: Leadership Activity

- In each rotation, you have a leadership activity you must successfully complete
  - Clinical (provide in-service, research summary & case study)
  - WIC (provide in-service or class, develop written case-study)
  - Wellness - present a class, assess a patient independently, develop nutrition hand-outs, etc.
  - FSM - provide in-services, plan & develop menus, execute a theme day

Step 3: Cumulative Leadership Activity

- Enrichment - find your Enrichment site, develop goals and objectives, execute your plan and evaluate your progress

75% of our graduates will be leaders in their profession and/or in their community within 3-5 years of completion
## SELECTED ROTATION SITES

### Community
- Duke Diet & Fitness Center
- Durham County Health Dept
- NC State University
- Rex Outpatient Nutrition Services
- Wake County Human Services
- Wake County Public Schools Child Nutrition Services

### Clinical
- Central Hospital
- Duke Health Raleigh
- Duke University Regional Hospital
- Johnson Memorial Hospital
- Rex Hospital
- Scotland Memorial Hospital
- WakeMed Raleigh
- Person Memorial
- Womack Army Hospital
- Cape Fear Valley Medical Center
- NC Dept of Corrections

### Food Service Management
- Central Carolina Hospital, Sanford
- Duke Diet & Fitness Center, Durham
- Duke Health, Raleigh
- NC Dept of Corrections, Raleigh
- Rex Hospital, Raleigh
- SAS Institute, Cary
- Wake County Schools Public Schools Child Nutrition Services, Raleigh
- WakeMed, Raleigh

"The instructors and supervisors have really nurtured and helped fine-tune me as a whole person by providing a lot of personalized attention, which has been outstanding. I feel I'm being truly prepared to meet every challenge I might meet."

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**—Pat Thornton, Dietetic Intern**
Selected Enrichment Sites

- Cooking Light
- Carolina House
- Ireland - Clinical Care
- Shop-Rite
- Cancer Services, Inc.
- Duke University - Research
- Womack Army Medical Hospital
- Cooper Institute - PA Facility, TX
- WakeMed Hospitals - Pediatric Diabetes
- Sansepolcro, Italy
- Peru
What makes us different?

Meredith’s regional reputation

Competitive tuition – financial asst avail

Leadership concentration

Enrichment - chance to personalize DI

One year pass rate

Completion rate

Grad classes on-line, prep for RD exam

International rotations: Italy, Peru
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School Nutrition Administration

15-16 wk Clinical
6 wk Community
6 wk Food Admin
3-4 wk more school

Community Nutrition

15-16 wk Clinical
6 wk Community
6 wk Food Admin
3-4 wk more community
- One year: May – May
- 20 interns
- Full-time
- Graduate School (Summer & Fall)
- Supervised Practice Experiences (Fall & Spring)
- Total ~12 rotation sites
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Outlining counties
Dietetic Internship Program
Virtual Open House

Thursday, January 9, 2020
6:00 – 7:00 pm

- Learn specifics about the program
- Meet current and past interns
- Talk to Preceptors
- Chat with Director
Aaron Schwartz, MS, MBA, RD, LD
Dietetic Internship Director
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The University of Kentucky
Lexington, KY
http://dhn-hes.ca.uky.edu/dietetic-internship-programs
Overview

Spring Match

7 months
- January - August

Accept 8 interns

Competition

- 2014: 36
- 2015: 26
- 2016: 54
- 2017: 32
- 2018: 41
- 2019: 35

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Rotations

10 weeks
Foodservice Systems Management
- Hospital School
- Long-term care University

10 weeks
Medical Nutrition Therapy
- Hospital Clinics
- Long-term care

7 weeks
Community
- Extension
- Health departments
- Outpatient
- Sports Nutrition
AHEC provides housing for interns who are placed outside of the cities of Lexington and Louisville.
Application

- Personal Statement
- Work/Volunteer experience
- GPA (Overall > 3.0)
- Letters of Recommendation
- Professional Involvement
- Graduate Work
Contact Information

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Hickory, NC
http://www.lr.edu/dieteticintern
Solmaz Institute
Lenoir-Rhyne University
Dietetic Internship Program

Fast facts:

• Concentration: Childhood obesity prevention & treatment

• Up to 40 interns/year accepted
Solmaz Institute
Lenoir-Rhyne University
Dietetic Internship Program

Fast facts:

• LRU campuses in Hickory and Ashville, NC and Columbia, SC

• LRU Selected Sites
  • NC – Asheville, Hickory, Charlotte
  • SC – Columbia, Lexington, Greenville

• Intern Selected – Distance – All over US
Program Structure

9 month program (August-April)

- Orientation (online and on-campus)
- Supervised practice rotations
  - Clinical, Community, Foodservice Management
- Capstone (online)
What is the Solmaz Institute?

• Department within the LRU College of Health Sciences dedicated to the prevention and treatment of childhood obesity

• Multidisciplinary student involvement

• Onsite clinic and offsite community engagement
What are we looking for in an intern?

• Passion for the profession of nutrition and dietetics and interest in our area of concentration
• Academic preparation
• Self-directed, motivated individuals!
Why LR?

• Strong Faculty Support with a low Faculty/Intern Ratio

• LR Advantage Program
  • (Sustainability, MPH, Exercise Science)

• Exciting Placements – tailored as possible to Intern preferences

• Biweekly Online Virtual meetings bringing the whole class together
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The University of Memphis
Memphis, TN
https://www.memphis.edu/shs/graduate/clinical_nutrition.php
University of Memphis MS Clinical Nutrition / DI Program
Masters of Science in Clinical Nutrition & Internship Program

• Visit our website!
https://www.memphis.edu/shs/graduate/clinicalnutrition.php

• We are a combined program with 39 minimum credits and >1,200 rotation hours. Both must be completed in order to graduate.

• The program length is intense – 16-months!
Internship Fee

• Total = $5,015 divided into 3 semesters at $1,672 (fall, spring, and summer)

• Fees related to ACEND program accreditation
  • annual fees, program change fees, site visit fees

• Intern registration and lodging for TAND Annual meeting and Hill Day

• Preceptor Meetings: CEU event, Appreciation, and Workshops

• MAND membership fees

• Resources for students: Nutrition Care Manual, eNCPT, pocket guides, intern lab coats, professional name tags, background checks, drug screenings, immunization tracking

• Jean Inman RD Exam review course

• As needed: additional training, tours, research materials, team building activities, etc.
Graduate Assistantships

- 20 hours/week first two semesters (fall and spring)
- Typically 4 days/week
- Provides stipend only (no tuition stipend)
- Competencies completed count towards “Prior Learning Experience”—earn up to 300 hours.
- Settings vary from Campus Wellness, Tiger Athletics, Campus Foodservice, research, St. Jude, LeBonheur, UT Health Sciences. This changes every year due to funding.
- Students rank their top 3 choices once accepted
Other program requirements

• Must maintain $\geq 3.0$ GPA
• Comply with student handbook policies and procedures
• Must be an AND member
• Meet and exceed satisfactory rotation evaluations
• Be flexible, positive and a team player 😊
Applying!

• What do we look for:
  • GPA/GRE scores
  • Work AND Volunteer Experience
  • Honors and Extracurricular Activities
  • Personal Statement – tell your story!
    • Why clinical? Why UofM?
  • References – one must be from your DPD Director
  • Adaptable, well-rounded, professional students

❖ Community preceptors sit on the selection committee
  and a follow-up interview maybe required.
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Vanderbilt University Medical Center
Nashville, TN
https://ww2.mc.vanderbilt.edu/DieteticInternship/
The Vanderbilt Dietetic Internship Program
Vanderbilt University Medical Center
Nashville, Tennessee
INTERNERSHIP FAST FACTS

- 10 months
- 16 interns from 14 states, 2 countries
- 15 universities represented
- 100% exam pass rate
- 1 to 4 weeks – length of rotations
- 60+ preceptors
- 24 rotations
Adult & Pediatrics
Critical Care Nutrition
Interprofessional Teaming
Caring for Complex Patients
Affirming & Inclusive Mindset
WORK LIFE BALANCE
Best Of Luck On Your Career Path!
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The University of Southern Mississippi
Hattiesburg, MS
https://www.usm.edu/kinesiology-nutrition/dietetic-internship.php
Southern Miss Dietetic Internship

Molly Edwards, MS, RDN
Who we are:

- Graduate level practicum program: supervised practice with graduate coursework.
  - All graduate classes are fully online, but interns must move to supervised practice location during the 4th and 5th semesters of the internship.
  - Primary supervised practice facilities in Jackson, Hattiesburg area, or along the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

- 14-16 interns are enrolled in the 21-month program
  - 1200 hours of supervised practice (32 hr/week) during the 4th and 5th semesters of the internship.

- Rotations include: orientation, general clinical, renal, nutrition support, long-term care, WIC, child nutrition programs, general foodservice management, staff experience, food bank, and a 2-week special interest rotation at the end of the internship.

- Additional experiences include: Health Promotion & Education intervention, Diabetes Camp, Recruiting, Community Health Activities, Journal Club, Menu Planning, Professional Development, and Leadership Activities.
# Work Load

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Estimated Expenses

- Tuition Resident: ~$15,800
- Non-resident: ~$19,400
- Course fees $1000
- (RD exam review session, course resources, rotation guides)
- Textbook/supplies $800
- Background check/drug screening $100
  - (for Dietetic Internship) separate check/screening needed for some facilities (Costs will vary)
- Immunizations/Tests $100
- Professional meetings* $1,000 - $1,500
Application Requirements

- A bachelor’s degree
- Admission to the MS degree program in Nutrition and Food Systems
- Verification of completion of an accredited didactic program in dietetics (DPD) or an intent to complete the DPD
- A minimum GPA of 3.0 on didactic coursework, with no grade lower than a “C”
- A minimum GPA of 2.7 on required science coursework (Including but not limited to anatomy and physiology, biology, general chemistry, organic chemistry, biochemistry)
- Complete application in DICAS (centralized application) and submit supplemental application information
- Participate in computer matching
Questions?

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Virginia Tech
Blacksburg, VA

https://www.hnfe.vt.edu/internship.html
Virginia Tech Internship in Nutrition and Dietetics

A director at each location

Northern Virginia
10 interns

Blacksburg/Southwest Virginia
10 interns
August - May

2 Locations

Individualized Program

Leadership Emphasis

Certificate Program

9-month full-time program

Choose one of two sites: Blacksburg or Northern Virginia

Rotations assigned according to interns’ goals and interests

Program emphasis is leadership and professional development

Non-credit program – affordable, early employability
Why VT?

- Hone your interests and find your professional niche - 100% of our alumni state individual learning needs and interests were met

- Compact 9-month program results in early job availability and lower financial commitment - 91% of graduates are employed within 3 months

- Build leadership skills - 70% of graduates perform leadership roles within one year

- Alumni network - Join the 382 graduates who have completed our program!

- Other reasons – cost, directors, location!
Want to know more?

- Visit our table
- Come to an open house:
  - Blacksburg
    Saturday, December 7, 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
  - Northern Virginia (DC metro)
    Friday, December 20, 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
  - Virtual open house also available by mid-December

See program website for more information and to RSVP

Follow us on Instagram! @vtdieteticinternship
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Community Health and Nutrition
Future Graduate Program

Future Education Model

Dr. Samantha Hutson, RDN, LDN
TN Tech Community Health and Nutrition FEM

Projected Start Date: Fall 2020

- Status: *Candidacy application and review process*
  - ACEND site visit: February 2020
  - Not yet accepting applications

- Designed for those who seek to become Registered Dietitian/Nutritionists and wish to obtain a Master’s degree
  - emphasis in rural community health
  - will not utilize DICAS
  - complete application through TN Tech College of Graduate Studies
## TN Tech Community Health and Nutrition FEM

### Proposed Graduate Courses

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<td>Leadership, Advocacy, and Nutrition Policy</td>
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<td>Advanced Applications of Counseling Techniques</td>
<td>Community Health and Nutrition Capstone</td>
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The Future Education Model also includes 12 credit hours of practicum experiences, including Clinical, Community, Long Term Care, Foodservice, and Elective Experiences.

Students will complete at least 900 hours of experiential learning in the MS + FEM program.
BRIEF INTERMISSION
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Augusta University
MS-Dietetic Internship
Augusta, GA

https://www.augusta.edu/alliedhealth/ihs/nutrition/index.php
Augusta University
MS-Dietetic Internship

Program director:
Dr. Judith Anglin, PhD, RDN, LD
Associate Professor

Clinical Instructor:
Nicole Moore, MS, RDN, LD
Assistant Professor
Program Outcomes

• Overall Pass rate = 98%
• Employment rate of program graduates 100%
• Completion rate 100%
• Adequately prepared for clinical entry-level jobs 100%
Program Overview

• Maximum enrollment – 16/year
• Current enrollment – 25
• 2 year seamless program with courses and supervised practice
• 1200 supervised practice hours
• 1st summer complete public health or management rotation
• Monday weekly classes
• Concentration: Medical nutrition therapy – nutrition focused physical examination
Program Schedule

**MS CORE COURSES**
- Advanced Nutrition – Macronutrients
- Advanced Nutrition – Micronutrients
- Advanced Nutritional Status Assessment Techniques Lab
- Nutrition for Older Adults
- Maternal, Infant, and Child Nutrition
- Advanced Medical Nutrition Therapy
- Obesity: Prevention, Treatment, and Management
- Nutritional Genomics
- Food, Culture, and Sustainability
- Nutrition Independent Study
- Special Topics in Nutrition

**ROTATIONS**
- Medical Nutrition Therapy (MNT) (24 weeks)
  - MNT 1
  - MNT 2
  - MNT Concentration
  - Staff Relief
  - Outpatient
- Institutional Management and Patient Food Services (5 weeks)
- Public Health (7 weeks)
  - Community Nutrition
  - Health Promotion
  - Child Nutrition
- Self-select (3 weeks)
Facilities:

- Hospitals (adults and pediatrics)
- Bariatric clinics
- Benign hematological clinic
- Dialysis centers
- Public health departments
- Long term care
- Neonatal intensive care units

Supervised Practice Experiences:

- Augusta Health – Trauma 1 hospital
- Children’s Hospital of Georgia – with Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)
- Doctors Hospital – with Burns Unit
- Veteran’s Affairs Hospital
- Dialysis centers
- Richmond County Public Health Department
- Burke County School District
- Richmond County School District
- Benign Hematological Disorder Clinics
- Bariatrics Clinics
- Eating Disorders Clinics
- Health Promotions
- Augusta Locally Grown
- Child, Youth and School Services – Fort Gordon Military Base
- Georgia War
- Brandon Wilde (Long Term Care)
Eligibility Requirements

**Academic Requirements**
- 3.0 GPA (Overall)
- 3.0 GPA (DPD Professional)
- DPD verification statement/Declaration of Intent
- 290 cumulative GRE score (deadline May 30)

**Applying to program**
- DICAS
- D&D Digital
- Augusta University Graduate School Application
- Telephone interviews

**Ranking**
- Academic performance
- Work and volunteer experience
- Interview
- Personal statement
- References
Thank You!
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Johnson City, TN

https://www.etsu.edu/crhs/alliedhealth/nutrition/grad/di/
ETSU Dietetic Internship

• In combination with Master of Science in Clinical Nutrition
• Clinical Concentration
• Accredited for 12 students each year
• Participate in DICAS February matching

• 5 year- 100% RD Exam pass rate within one year of 1st attempt
• 100% of students who have applied for employment received position in related field within 3 months of graduation
• 100% of students feel prepared to accept position with clinical responsibilities
ETSU Dietetic Internship

Two Year Program

Year One:
Follows typical academic calendar; August-May
• 2 semesters of graduate coursework
• Clinical Nutrition concentration- including courses in Adult and Pediatric nutrition; Nutrition Counseling
• 100 hours of self-selected community hours
Year Two:
August-May - 32-40 hours per week
1st semester classes on Mondays; rotations Tuesday-Friday
2nd semester rotations Monday-Friday - no longer follow the academic calendar

1200 hours of supervised practice - build on prior learning; primarily in Tri-Cities area (within 1 hr)
• Individualized, competency-based rotations
ETSU Dietetic Internship

Example Rotations:
Public Health, Cardiac Rehabilitation, Retail, Intro to Clinical, Rehabilitation and LTC, Renal, DM, MedSurg, Metabolic Support. Also new: Outpatient Interprofessional Clinics including Peds, ALS, Home-based Developmental Disorders, University FSM, Hospital FSM, IP High Fidelity Simulation lab
ETSU Dietetic Internship

- Admission is largely based on the academic record of the candidate
- Minimum 3.0 GPA; previous related work experience; letters of reference and the application essay
- GRE required; sliding scale point assignment based on score
- Admission to Graduate School required
ETSU Dietetic Internship

• Graduate Assistantships and Tuition Scholarships available
• 100% of those who apply for GA/TS X 5 years have received assistance
• Departmental responsibility varies based on ½ GA/ Full GA/ TS

• LEND Vanderbilt Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities- 1-2 students each year
  – IP preparation for future health professionals in 15 professions to assume leadership roles to serve children with neurodevelopmental and related disabilities.
  – Stipend and tuition reimbursement
ETSU Dietetic Internship

• Mountain Home VA Medical Center
• Paid traineeships
  (4 trainees each year for the past 7 years)
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The University of Kentucky HealthCare
Lexington, KY

https://ukhealthcare.uky.edu/dietetics-internship-program
Dietetics Program overview

- UK HealthCare Nutrition Services in partnership with Lexington VA Medical Center
- **Program Concentration:** Clinical Nutrition
- Accredited since 1969
  - 5 year first-time pass rate: 96%
  - Historical first-time pass rate: 97%
- Accepts 6 interns each year during Spring match
Stipend

~$5300

- Paid biweekly with taxes deducted from the total.
- Amount varies by location – Larger portion provided by the Lexington VA Medical Center
- Subject to change based on approval by each facility
Program schedule

- Length of Program: 10 months (August to May)
- UKHC Food Service: 2 weeks
- Fayette Co. Public Schools: 1 week
- Lexington VA Medical Center: 16 weeks
- UK Albert B. Chandler Hospital: 18 weeks
- Staff Relief: 3 weeks
- Community: 4 weeks
Facility tour

- Open Houses:
  Dec. 16th & Jan. 6th
  10am – 1pm
- Introductions to Key Program Contacts
- Description of Experiences
- Tour of Chandler Hospital
- Q&A with Current Interns
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http://www.samford.edu/publichealth/dietetic-internship
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hCfv9lYSwKU
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY
DIETETIC INTERNSHIP
(BIRMINGHAM, AL)

- Christian Mission
- Four Semesters
- Interprofessional
- Master of Science in Nutrition or Master of Public Health
- 20 interns per class (Local + Distance)
- Rotations: 4 days/32 hours a week
- Mondays off from rotations to spend time on classes and assignments
- 100% RD Exam One Year Pass Rate & Job Placement in 2018

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WKU

DIETETIC INTERNSHIP
WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

- HOME OF THE HILLTOPPERS
- APPLY FOR GRADUATE SCHOOL AFTER DI ACCEPTANCE
- 12 HOURS OF GRADUATE CREDIT
- GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN DIETETIC PRACTICE
- EXCEPTIONAL RD EXAM PASS RATE
ROTATION SITES

• LOCATION TRACKS INCLUDE:
  • LOUISVILLE AREA: 120 MILES
  • ELIZABETHTOWN AREA: 70 MILES
  • GLASGOW AREA: 36 MILES
  • BOWLING GREEN AREA: 5 MILES
  • OWENSBORO AREA: 76 MILES
  • LEITCHFIELD/GRAYSON CO. AREA: 62 MILES
  • DANVILLE AREA: 140 MILES
  • CAMPBELLSVILLE AREA: 85 MILES

• ROTATIONS ARE AT VARIOUS WORKSITES SUCH AS HOSPITALS (CLINICAL AND FOOD SERVICE), HEALTH DEPARTMENTS, LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES, SCHOOLS
DI PROGRAM INFORMATION

- **MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE:**
  - GPA: 3.0
  - GRE SCORES: 142 QUANTITATIVE, 144 VERBAL
  - WORK EXPERIENCE
  - PERSONAL STATEMENT
  - APPLY – DICAS
  - 10 INTERNS ACCEPTED EACH YEAR

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https://nutrition.appstate.edu/academics/master-science-nutrition-and-dietetic-internship
Appalachian State University
Graduate Programs in Nutrition
Combined MS/DI

21 month program

1st year consists of Master’s course work

- Research methods and statistics
- Maternal and infant nutrition
- Elderly nutrition
- Advanced nutrition assessment
- Individual research project with PhD research professor
Combined MS/DI
2nd Year

Program Identified Pathway

• Clinical, Community, Foodservice Management
• Sites are in western and west central North Carolina

Intern Identified Pathway

• Clinical, Community, Foodservice Management
• Intern identifies facilities and locations

*hospitals *long term care facilities *health departments *community wellness facilities *eating disorder clinic *public school districts *bariatric clinic *retirement facilities *food pantries *Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Project *university foodservice *many more
Concentration area is ‘Rural Health’

Concentration area is based on faculty research in the Appalachian area

- Rural health disparities
- Rural food insecurity
- Best practices for providing nutrition care to rural patients
- Rural-based nutrition care simulations
- All interns will work with rural patients and will complete competencies focused on rural health
Applying

https://nutrition.appstate.edu/academics/master-science-nutrition-and-dietetic-internship

Personal statement: Tell me why you want to come to App State; tell me about your interest in rural health; tell me why you are a good match for the App State program
Most students will move between the first and second years of the program in order to be close to supervised practice sites.

Graduate assistantships are available to first year students. Thesis and non-thesis options are available.
AppState students can expect to:

- Graduate with a Master of Science degree
- Be eligible for the RD Exam
- Pass the RD Exam
- Get a job in the field
- Be part of the AppState Family!
Questions?
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Auburn, AL
http://humsci.auburn.edu/di/index.php
Auburn University
Master of Science in Nutrition
Non-Thesis with Dietetic Internship
The Auburn Experience

**Enrollment (2019-2020 AY)**
30,460

**Middle 50% Test Scores (2017)**
ACT: 24-30
SAT: 1070-1250
GPA: 3.56-4.15

**Student Gender Ratio**
Male: 50%
Female: 50%

**Student-to-Faculty Ratio**
19 to 1

**This is Auburn.**
Auburn University’s rolling of the Toomer’s Corner oaks voted top sports tradition
College of Human Sciences
Department of Nutrition, Dietetics, and Hospitality Management

“The mission of the Auburn University Dietetic Internship is to prepare competent and professionally engaged entry-level registered dietitian nutritionists who **improve human health and well-being** through service in positions in nutrition and dietetics and related fields.”
M.S. Nutrition Non-Thesis with DI Curriculum

**Year 1**

**Fall Semester**
- NTRI 7500 Minerals - 3 hrs
- NTRI 7530 Human Nutrient Metabolism - 4 hrs
- NTRI 7050 Methods of Research - 2 hrs

**Spring Semester**
- NTRI 7510 Vitamins - 3 hrs
- NTRI 7520 Macronutrients - 4 hrs
- ERMA 7300 Design & Analysis in Education - 3 hrs

**Summer Semester**
- NTRI 7016 Advanced Practicum in Dietetics - 3 hrs
- NTRI 7980 Non-thesis Research - 1 hr
- NTRI 7850 Research Seminar - 1 hr

**Year 2**

**Fall Semester**
- NTRI 7016 Advanced Practicum in Dietetics - 3 hrs
- NTRI 7980 Non-thesis Research - 2 hr

**Spring Semester**
- NTRI 7016 Advanced Practicum in Dietetics - 3 hrs
- NTRI 7980 Non-thesis Research - 2 hr

Graduation (May)
M.S. Nutrition Non-thesis with DI Experience (5 semesters)
DICAS application – Spring Match – 2nd Round

- Verification Statement – DPD (last 5 years)
- Minimum overall GPA of 3.0
- DPD GPA of 3.2
- Grade of “C” or better in all DPD required courses
- Be eligible for admission to Auburn University Graduate School (but don’t apply until accepted into the Dietetic Internship)
- GRE Scores
- Resume
- Transcripts
- Three letters of recommendation
- Personal statement
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THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING

TIME TO MEET WITH PROGRAM DIRECTORS AND REPRESENTATIVES