

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS for ENTRANCE

For NT and COM concentrations, students must submit through Dietetic Internship Centralized Application Services (DICAS) by February 15 of each year:

- Letter of application
- Transcripts
- Verification statement or a declaration of intent to complete the Didactic Program in Dietetics
- Three letters of recommendation (one must be from an employer/supervisor, and one must be from a full-time Nutrition/Dietetics faculty member)
- GRE form

In addition, supplemental application material may be submitted to CSUN. Please use the checklist below for material submitted to CSUN DI. Materials must be submitted by February 15 and include the following:

- \$75 application processing fee (checks should be made out to CSUN)

- Authorization for packet review
- DI professional program contract
- Recency of education form (if applicable)
- Applicants interested in applying to the DI must file a separate application for graduate school at CSUN. Must submit letter of acceptance to the university PCS graduate organization with the DI application.

For NT concentration: Previous work experience in dietetics or related field setting. Clinical setting preferred.

- * For COM concentration: The intern must be employed by a California WIC program at the time of application and maintain continued employment in good standing at a WIC agency (one letter of recommendation must be from a WIC supervisor). If the four positions are not filled with WIC employees, additional interns will be selected.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS for COMPLETION

- Completion of 1,216 hours of supervised practice
- Completion of the master's degree in human nutrition
- Cultural sensitivity training classes and Spanish training
- Meeting all program competencies and student learning outcomes

Upon completion of all the program requirements, the graduated intern will be eligible to sit for the registration exam for dietitians.

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DIETETIC INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

CSUN AND NEVHC WIC



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Our mission is to prepare high-quality and culturally sensitive dietetic professionals to meet our community needs and serve California by promoting optimal nutrition, health and well-being.

The California State University, Northridge (CSUN) Dietetic Internship, in partnership with Northeast Valley Health Corporation (NEVHC), will enhance the profession of dietetics — and ultimately the health of the community — by training dietitians who can combine academic theory, research application, practical experience, critical thinking and problem-solving skills in all areas of dietetics, in ethnically diverse settings.

GOALS

- 🍎 To prepare registered dietitians to work in all areas of dietetics
- 🍎 To prepare graduates who are trained in Spanish language and cultural sensitivity
- 🍎 To prepare dietitians who are qualified to participate in the collection, analysis and interpretation of research

These goals have been chosen because they help meet the mission of CSUN and NEVHC, and the needs of our community and profession.



PROGRAM

The CSUN DI and NEVHC WIC combined program is a master's combined program that admits only individuals who have completed the Didactic Program in Dietetics requirements and have at least a bachelor's degree. It provides 1,216 hours of supervised practice experience. This internship program has two concentrations. The full-time program starts in July each year and ends in May, with 14 interns admitted each year (10 interns are accepted in the Nutrition Therapy [NT] concentration, and four in the Community [COM] WIC concentration).

Nutrition Therapy

The NT track will complete 552 hours in Nutrition Therapy, 424 hours in Community Nutrition and 240 hours in Foodservice Management.

Community WIC*

The COM track will complete 552 hours in Community Nutrition, 424 hours in Nutrition Therapy and 240 hours in Foodservice Management.

* Students applying to the COM track must be employed by a California WIC program at the time of application and maintain continued employment in good standing at a WIC agency.

Interns in both tracks will attend consortium classes each Monday, which will count as the graduate seminar class, as well as four specific graduate classes: Research Methods I and II, Macronutrients/Micronutrients and Medical Spanish class. Interns also will be trained in cultural sensitivity.

Scheduled, supervised practice experiences will take place three to four days per week and will be completed within two semesters. In addition to the supervised practice days, interns attend classes two days a week. Orientation will be scheduled at the end of June.

ACCREDITATION

The CSUN Dietetic Internship Program is currently granted accreditation by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. 120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000, Chicago, IL 60606-6995, (312) 899-0040 x 5400