

DO YOU WANT TO BE A REGISTERED DIETITIAN (RDN)?

LOOK INTO UW'S GRADUATE COORDINATED PROGRAM IN DIETETICS (GCPD)

Program Overview

The Graduate Coordinated Program in Dietetics (GCPD) combines graduate studies (MS, MPH, PhD) with an Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (via ACEND) accredited internship that is required to become a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN). After degree completion, students are eligible to sit for the RD exam. Degrees are offered through the Nutritional Sciences Program within the UW School of Public Health.



Internship

As an ACEND Accredited program, the GCPD provides 1200+ hours of supervised practice in the following rotations: clinical, ambulatory, WIC, community, management, food service and Medical Nutrition Therapy or Public Health concentration. Sites include HMC, UWMC, Northwest Hospital, Valley Medical Center and various community-based organizations.

Degree & Concentrations

MPH RDN: Students seeking this degree complete the Public Health Concentration.

MS RDN: Students seeking this degree complete the Medical Nutrition Therapy Concentration.

PhD RDN: Students seeking this degree work closely with faculty advisors to design a program to meet their career goals.

GCPD by the Numbers

- 4 quarters of graduate courses
- 14 students in each cohort
- **1200+** hours of Supervised Practice
- 100% 1-year pass rate on the RD exam



Admissions

- ⇒ Apply to both the Nutritional Sciences Program (NSP) for the degree, and the GCPD for the dietetic coursework and internship.
- ⇒ NSP prerequisites: Nutrition, Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Biochemistry & Physiology
- ⇒ GCPD prerequisites: Psychology, Microbiology, Management in Nutrition Services, & Food Science
- \Rightarrow GPA: >3.00
- ⇒ GRE Score: >50th percentile
- ⇒ Our average student does not have an undergraduate degree in nutrition; however we do accept students who have completed a Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD). Students with a DPD verification form waive out Food Safety & Health (NUTR 545).

For More Information

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UW Nutritional Sciences Program GCPD (RD training program) Curriculum

Course	Name	Credits
1st Autumn		
EPI 511	Introduction to Epidemiology	4
HSERV 510	Social & Behavior Sciences in Health Program Planning & Implementation	3
HSERV 579	Structural Racism & Public Health	1
NUTR 500	Seminar	1
NUTR 513	Food and Society	2
NUTR 520	Nutrition & Metabolism I	3
NUTR 529	Nutrition & Research Design	2
NUTR 561A	GCPD Seminar	1
1st Winter		
BIOST 508	Biostatistical Reasoning for the Health Sciences	4
HSERV 511	Introduction to Health Services & Public Health (MPH only)	3
NUTR 521	Nutrition and Metabolism II	3
NUTR 531	Public Health Nutrition	5*
NUTR 545	Food Safety and Health	3
1st Spring		
ENV H 511	Environmental and Occupational Health (MPH only)	4
NUTR 522	Nutrition and Metabolism III	3
NUTR 562	Nutr & Chronic Disease	4
NUTR 536	Nutrition Education Principles and Practice	2
NUTR 560	Nutrition Counseling	2
1st Summer - GCPD Only		
	Supervised Practice/Practice Experience	3 Weeks
2nd Autumn		
NUTR 526	Maternal and Pediatric Nutrition	4
NUTR 563	Nutrition and Acute Care	4
NUTR 559	Orientation to Clinical Practice	3
2nd Winter/Spring/Summer - GCPD Only		
NUTR 561	Practice Experience/Internship	10/ qtr
MPH & MS Students are required to complete the following credits not tied to a specific quarter:		
NUTR 596 or 700	Master's Capstone or Thesis	9
NUTR 532	Fieldwork (MPH students)	1

Note: PhD students complete additional coursework and research

^{*} Credit increase pending approval