

The Graduate Coordinated Program in Dietetics (GCPD) combines graduate studies (MS, MPH, PhD) with the coursework and internship required to become a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN). Students select a concentration in either Medical Nutrition Therapy or Public Health. The GCPD develops RDNs who can apply evidence-based nutrition research to their practice in a variety of settings. Graduates are prepared to assume leadership roles in nutrition, clinical dietetics, and public health. This program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND).

CREDENTIALS

MPH RDN: Master of Public Health,

Registered Dietitian Nutritionist

MS RDN: Master of Science,

Registered Dietitian Nutritionist

PhD RDN: Doctor of Philosophy,

Registered Dietitian Nutritionist

INTERNSHIP

The GCPD provides 9 months of supervised practice in the following rotations: clinical; ambulatory; Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)/ pediatric experience; community; management; food service; and the Medical Nutrition Therapy or Public Health concentration. Sites include Harborview Medical Center, UW Medical Center, Northwest Hospital, Valley Medical Center, and various community-based organizations.

TRAINEESHIPS

Four federally funded nutrition traineeships offering interdisciplinary leadership training are available to advance students from the MS, MPH, or PhD tracks who are Registered Dietitians or are in the second year of the GCPD.

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Apply to the Nutritional Sciences Program (NSP) for the degree and GCPD for the dietetic coursework and internship
- Our typical student does not have an undergraduate degree in nutrition; however, we do accept students who have completed a Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD)
- NSP prerequisites: Nutrition, Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Biochemistry, and Physiology
- GCPD prerequisites: Psychology, Microbiology, Management of Nutrition Services, and Food Science
- GRE Scores optional for students enrolling in 2021
- > 3.00 GPA

BY THE NUMBERS

- 14 students in each cohort
- 9 months of supervised practice
- 100% one-year pass rate on the RDN exam

CONTACT

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MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH (PUBLIC HEALTH NUTRITION)

Year 1 Autumn 16-17 credits

NUTR 513 Food and Society (2)

NUTR 520 Nutrition and Metabolism I (4)

NUTR 561 GCPD Seminar (1) *

PHI 511 Foundations of Public Health (3)

PHI 512 Analytic Skills for Public Health I (7)

Year 1 Winter 14-16 credits

NUTR 500 Food Systems Seminar (1)

NUTR 512 United States Food Systems Policy (3)

NUTR 521 Nutrition and Metabolism II (4)

NUTR 536 Education Principles & Practice (2) *

PHI 513 Analytic Skills for Public Health II (3)

PHI 514 Determinants of Health (3)

Year 1 Spring 15-17 credits

NUTR 526 Maternal and Pediatric Nutrition (4)

NUTR 560 Counseling for Chronic Disease (2) *

NUTR 562 Nutrition and Chronic Disease (4)

PHI 515 Implementing Public Health

Interventions (4)

PHI 516 Public Health Practice (3)

Year 2 Autumn 8-15 credits

NUTR 531 Public Health Nutrition (3)

NUTR 532 Fieldwork in PH Nutrition (1)

NUTR 559 Clinical Dietetics Practice (3) *

NUTR 563 Nutrition in Acute Care (4) *

NUTR 596 Nutrition Practice Capstone (4)

Year 2 Winter 10 credits

NUTR 561 Practice Experience (10) *

Year 2 Spring 10 credits

NUTR 561 Practice Experience (10) *

Year 2 Summer 10 credits

NUTR 561 Practice Experience (10) *

Credits not tied to a specific quarter:

NUTR 595 Master's Practicum (6)

Electives (5)

Optional Thesis (9)

MASTER OF SCIENCE (NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES)

Year 1 Autumn 14-15 credits

BIOST 511 Medical Biometry (4)

EPI 511 Introduction to Epidemiology (4)

NUTR 513 Food and Society (2)

NUTR 520 Nutrition & Metabolism I (4)

NUTR 561 GCPD Seminar (1) *

Year 1 Winter 9-11 credits

HSERV 579 Structural Racism and Public Health (1)

NUTR 500 Food Systems Seminar (1)

NUTR 512 United States Food Systems Policy (3)

NUTR 521 Nutrition and Metabolism II (4)

NUTR 536 Education Principles & Practice (2) *

Year 1 Spring 11-13 credits

NUTR 514 Food Systems and Public Health (3)

NUTR 526 Maternal and Pediatric Nutrition (4)

NUTR 560 Counseling for Chronic Disease (2) *

NUTR 562 Nutrition and Chronic Disease (4)

Year 2 Autumn 7-14 credits

NUTR 531 Public Health Nutrition (3)

NUTR 559 Clinical Dietetics Practice (3) *

NUTR 563 Nutrition in Acute Care (4) *

NUTR 596 Nutrition Practice Capstone (4)

Year 2 Winter 10 credits

NUTR 561 Practice Experience (10) *

Year 2 Spring 10 credits

NUTR 561 Practice Experience (10) *

Year 2 Summer 10 credits

NUTR 561 Practice Experience (10) *

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