

Clinical Nutrition & Dietetics - M.S.

The innovative 16-month Master of Science in Clinical Nutrition & Dietetics hybrid program serves students who have earned a bachelor's degree and have completed the required prerequisites. It has been granted candidacy status by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics and meets requirements set forth for students seeking RD/RDN credentialing. Each new cohort begins in the fall semester and completes the program at the end of the next fall semester.

The program builds upon Johnson & Wales University's tradition of hosting strong culinary nutrition and nutrition and dietetics programs. Students take courses in nutrition and health wellness, research and inquiry, grantsmanship, nutrition education and counseling, current topics in nutrition, advanced medical nutrition, culinary nutrition and foodservice management, and clinical supervised experiential learning with emphasis on interprofessional collaboration. This hands-on experience includes at least 1,000 hours of supervised and alternative experiential learning.

Upon completion of the program requirements, students receive a Master of Science in Clinical Nutrition & Dietetics and verification statement to confirm their eligibility to take the Commission on Dietetic Registration credentialing exam to become a Registered Dietitian/Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RD/RDN).

Upon completion of the program, graduates are expected to:

- Leverage comprehensive and science-based expertise in the nutrition and dietetics fields to educate appropriate stakeholders.
- Integrate client/patient-centered principles and competent nutrition and dietetics practice to ensure positive outcomes.
- Oversee and implement food systems management skills and principles to ensure safe and efficient food production and delivery.
- Customize evidence-based, nutrition-focused programming and political advocacy to support positive outcomes for diverse communities/populations.
- Use leadership, business management, and continuous quality improvement principles to guide practice and achieve operational goals.
- Integrate evidence-informed practice, research principles, and critical thinking into practice.
- Demonstrate professional behaviors and effective communication in nutrition and dietetics interactions.

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Foundation Courses *

DIET5030	Introduction to Dietetics I **	3
DIET5060	Introduction to Dietetics II **	3

Core Courses

DIET5350	Nutrition for Health & Wellness Experience	3
DIET5550	Nutritional Counseling and Education Experience	3
DIET5600	Culinary Nutrition and Food Service Management	5
DIET5700	Current Topics in Nutrition Seminar **	1
DIET6150	Clinical Supervised Practice Experience I	3
DIET6450	Clinical Supervised Practice Experience II	9
NUTR5100	Macronutrients in Human Nutrition **	3
NUTR5200	Micronutrients in Human Nutrition **	3
NUTR5300	Nutrition for Health and Wellness **	3
NUTR5500	Nutritional Counseling and Education **	3
NUTR6100	Advanced Clinical Nutrition **	3
NUTR6200	Grantsmanship and Publication **	3
NUTR6900	Nutrition Capstone **	3
RSCH5700	Research and Inquiry **	3

Total Credits **48.0-54.0**

* Foundation courses are required for students without a DPD verification statement.

** Courses may only be available online. Students should consult with their academic advisor regarding course availability and for planning purposes.