

Registration Examination for Dietitians

Handbook for Candidates

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The Commission on Dietetic Registration, the credentialing agency for the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, does not discriminate against any applicant because of race, creed, religion, color, sex, marital status, national origin, or ancestry.

EXAMINATION APPLICATION

All candidates approved as examination eligible for the **first** time automatically receive an eligibility to test e-mail from ACT, Inc., the testing service. The e-mail will explain the registration process. Candidates who established eligibility previously must request a reauthorization to test. Candidates must contact the Commission on Dietetic Registration, 120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000, Chicago, Illinois 60606-6995; by telephone (312.899.4859); or by fax (312.899.4772) to request an examination application. The request should include name and Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics identification number. **Candidates must register and test within one year (365 days) from the date they are eligible to test. Refer to the Eligibility to Test section for further information.**

CODE OF ETHICS

All candidates applying to take the Registration Examinations for Dietitians or Dietetic Technicians must sign the following agreement when establishing eligibility to take the registration examination:

“As a registered dietitian or dietetic technician, registered, I agree to abide by the Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics (www.eatright.org/ada/files/COE.pdf), and to hold harmless the Commission on Dietetic Registration, other RDs and DTRs, or CDR employees for their activities in enforcing them.”

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Read this *Handbook for Candidates* completely before completing the Web application.

Registering, scheduling, and paying for the exam must be completed on ACT’s secure website. For questions regarding the online application process, contact ACT at 319.337.1315 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Central Time, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Once your eligibility to test has been certified by CDR, you will receive an Eligibility e-mail from ACT. This e-mail is important; it contains your personal user ID and password, and a Web address where you will complete your application. Keep a copy of this e-mail in a secure location.

If you want to apply for test accommodations, please read the Testing of Applicants with Disabilities section beginning on page 22.

Before you begin your application, make sure you have access to a VISA® or MasterCard® credit card.

From your Eligibility e-mail, click on the URL link or copy it directly into a new browser window. At the login page, enter your user ID and password exactly as shown on your e-mail, and click Login.

Update Your Account Information

Begin by reviewing your Basic Information. You can make changes to your e-mail address, mailing address, and phone numbers by typing the new information in the appropriate fields.

Anytime you make changes, you must click on Save Changes, or your changes will not be saved.

You cannot change your first name, last name, or middle initial. If you need to make changes to your name, you must notify CDR. Please submit your changes in writing by mail. (See the last page of this handbook for contact information for CDR.) An original or notarized (must be legible) copy of your marriage license, divorce decree, or court order must accompany ALL name changes. Documents will not be returned.

You are required to have an e-mail address in order to register. Since e-mail will be our main method of communicating with you, please put your permanent e-mail address in the E-mail field. Do not use an academic institution e-mail address (like a school .edu address) unless it is permanent. It is your responsibility to make sure your e-mail address is current.

Please update your address, city, state, and ZIP Code fields if necessary. If you do not live in the continental United States or the District of Columbia, please check the bottom of the State/Province drop-down list for your province, territory, or other location. If you do not see your state, province, or territory listed, please leave this field blank by selecting the blank space at the top of the list.

If you have a foreign address, please enter your city and country in the City field and any postal information in the ZIP Code field.

At least one telephone number is required. Make sure your permanent telephone number is in the Telephone Number field, and fill out the other telephone number fields as necessary.

In the Release of Candidate Data section, you can select whether or not you want your name released with your exam scores to your program.

Finally, in the Assurance of Confidentiality section, you must agree that you will not disclose any information about the exam to anyone else. **You cannot proceed with your application until you select Yes in this section.**

When you are finished, click on Save Changes.

Your Registration

After you've updated your account, you can schedule your exam by clicking on the Schedule button.

Select Test Site

Select the state, province, or territory you want to test in from the drop-down list and click on Continue. You will be provided with a list of locations and testing sites in your state. Select by clicking the button next to your choice, and click Select.

Select Test Date

Begin by picking a month and year from the drop-down list and click on Continue. Click on the button next to your choice, and click Select.

Select Test Time

Finally, click on the button next to your preferred time and click on Select. Review and Confirm your appointment by clicking Yes, or click on No and go back through the scheduling process.

After clicking Yes, you will see a summary of your Registration Details. You will have the option to print these details. After printing, click on Continue.

Submit Payment

In the payment section, select either MasterCard® or VISA® from the drop-down list, type in the cardholder's name, the card number, the expiration month and year, and the security code. Then type in the cardholder's address and Zip Code. Click on the Submit button to pay for your exam. **Once you click on Submit, your credit card will be charged.** Only click on Submit one time.

Within 24 hours of submitting your payment, you will receive your Scheduling Confirmation e-mail. **You are required to print this e-mail and bring it with you in order to be admitted to the test center.** The Scheduling Confirmation e-mail will list your appointment time and location, your required documents, test center rules and violations, and how to change your appointment.

If at any time you have difficulty registering, scheduling, or paying for your exam, please contact ACT at 319.337.1315 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Central Time, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

REGISTRATION EXAMINATION ELIGIBILITY PATHWAYS

Candidates are eligible to take the Registration Examination on the basis of completing either an Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (Accreditation Council) Coordinated Program, Dietetic Internship Program, or Individualized Supervised Practice Pathway.

1. ***Coordinated Program in Dietetics***

Candidate completed approved courses and supervised qualifying experience as stipulated in the Accreditation Council's accredited Coordinated Program. This is an academic program in a US regionally accredited college or university culminating in a minimum of a baccalaureate degree. The program provides the foundation knowledge and skills, as well as competencies for entry-level dietitians, through integration of didactic instruction with a minimum of 1,200 hours of supervised practice experience.

2. ***Dietetic Internship Program***

Candidate completed approved supervised qualifying experience as stipulated in the Accreditation Council's accredited Dietetic Internship Program. This supervised practice experience program provides the foundation knowledge and skills, as well as competencies for entry-level dietitians, through a minimum of 1,200 hours of supervised practice experience. The program follows completion of the Accreditation Council's Didactic Program in Dietetics and a Baccalaureate Degree.

3. ***Individualized Supervised Practice Pathway***

Provides for the achievement of performance requirements for entry-level dietitians through a minimum of 1,200 hours of supervised practice. The pathway follows completion of the Accreditation Council's Didactic Program in Dietetics and a Baccalaureate degree.

4. ***Three-Year Preplanned Experience Program***

(Discontinued. October 1, 1988, was the last postmark date to submit an application for prior approval to the Department of Education. June 30, 1993, was the last postmark date to submit an application for registration eligibility.)

Provided for the achievement of performance requirements for entry-level dietitians through a minimum of 6,000 hours of individualized, prior approved, supervised practice. The Three-Year Preplanned Experience Program must follow completion of the Didactic Program in Dietetics and a Baccalaureate degree.

5. ***Qualifying Experience With Advanced Degree: Assistantship****

6. ***Qualifying Experience With Advanced Degree: Six Months****

7. **Qualifying Experience With Doctoral Degree***

*The text that follows provides information for pathways 5, 6, and 7.

(Discontinued. October 1, 1988, was the last postmark date to submit an application for prior approval to the ADA Department of Education. June 30, 1993, was the last postmark date to submit an application for registration eligibility.)

Provided for the achievement of performance requirements for entry-level dietitians through a minimum of 1,000 hours of individualized, prior approved, supervised practice. The supervised practice must follow completion of the Didactic Program in Dietetics and a Baccalaureate degree.

8. **Three-Year Non-Preplanned Experience Program**

(Discontinued.) Provided for the achievement of performance requirements for entry-level dietitians through a three-year, full-time (or equivalent) professional learning experience in dietetics completed by the Associate ADA member.

9. **Traineeship**

(Discontinued.) Provided for the achievement of performance requirements for entry-level dietitians through a twelve- to twenty-four-month individualized, prior approved supervised practice program.

10. **Canadian Reciprocity**

Dietitians who meet education and experience requirements specified by Dietitians of Canada.

11. **Philippine Reciprocity**

Dietitians who meet registration requirements specified by the Philippine Professional Regulation Commission Board of Nutrition–Dietetics.

12. **Dutch Reciprocity**

Dietitians who meet registration requirements specified by the Dutch Association of Dietitians.

13. **Irish Reciprocity**

Dietitians who meet education and experience requirements specified in the reciprocity agreement between the Commission on Dietetic Registration and the Irish Nutrition and Dietetics Institute.

14. **United Kingdom Reciprocity**

Dietitians who meet registration requirements specified in the reciprocity agreement between the Commission on Dietetic Registration and the Dietitians Board of the Council for Professions Supplementary to Medicine in the United Kingdom.

15. **Reregistration**

Dietitians whose registration status lapsed and who wish to become reregistered.

REGISTRATION EXAMINATION PROGRAM AND PATHWAYS BY STATE AND CONSORTIUMS

STATE

ALABAMA

Coordinated Programs

1412 The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

Internship Programs

2052 University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham

2342 Oakwood University, Huntsville

2371 Oakwood University, Huntsville (Distance)

2387 Alabama State Department of Education

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

4002 Auburn University, Auburn

4005 Samford University, Birmingham

4004 Oakwood University, Huntsville

4003 Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville

4008 University of Montevallo, Montevallo

4001 Alabama A&M University, Normal

4007 The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

4006 Tuskegee University, Tuskegee

ALASKA

Internship Programs

2346 University of Alaska Anchorage, Anchorage

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

9100 University of Alaska—Anchorage, Anchorage

ARIZONA

Internship Programs

2303 Arizona State University Dietetic Internship, Mesa

2360 Arizona Dept. of Health Services, Phoenix (closed 12/2007)

2329 Paradise Valley Unified School District, Phoenix

2210 Yavapai County Community Health Services, Prescott (closed 8/2009)

2330 Maricopa County, Dept. of Public Health, Tempe

2277 Carondelet St. Mary's Hospital, Tucson

2053 University of Arizona Medical Center, Tucson

2398 Maricopa County Department of Public Health, Phoenix (part time)

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

4104 Arizona State University at the Polytechnic Campus,
Mesa (formerly Tempe)

4103 University of Arizona, Tucson

ARKANSAS

Internship Programs

2195 University of Central Arkansas, Conway

2054 University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences/Central Arkansas Veterans
Healthcare System, Little Rock

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

4206 Henderson State University, Arkadelphia

4202 Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia

4205 University of Central Arkansas, Conway

4203 University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

4204 University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, Pine Bluff (closed 4/2009)

4207 University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, Pine Bluff

4201 Harding University, Searcy

CALIFORNIA

Coordinated Programs

- 1405 Loma Linda University, School of Allied Health Professions, Loma Linda
- 1493 Loma Linda University, School of Public Health, Loma Linda (closed 01/2008)
- 1406 California State University Los Angeles, Los Angeles
- 1489 Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, Los Angeles (closed 8/2000)

Coordinated—Graduate Programs

- 1505 California State University, Los Angeles

Internship Programs

- 2336 Clinica Sierra Vista, Bakersfield
- 2056 University of California—Berkeley, Berkeley (closed 12/2007)
- 2225 California State University—Chico, Chico
- 2299 California State University—Fresno, Fresno
- 2107 Glendale Memorial Hospital and Health Center, Glendale (closed 11/2009)
- 2235 Public Health Foundation Enterprises, Irwindale
- 2236 California State University—Long Beach, Long Beach
- 2280 Center for Child Development and Developmental Disabilities/UAP, Children’s Hospital, Los Angeles
- 2108 Los Angeles County—USC Healthcare Network, Los Angeles (closed 10/2010)
- 2073 VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System, Los Angeles
- 2142 Napa State Hospital, Napa
- 2212 California State University—Northridge, Northridge
- 2377 California State University—Northridge, San Fernando site
- 2153 Patton State Hospital, Patton
- 2157 California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
- 2102 Porterville Developmental Center, Porterville (closed 12/2011)
- 2354 Central Valley WIC Dietetic Internship, Reedley
- 2356 California State Univ. Sacramento Dietetic Internship, Sacramento
- 2355 UC Davis Medical Center Dietetic Internship, Sacramento
- 2226 San Diego State University, San Diego (closed 3/2007)
- 2362 San Diego WIC Dietetic Internship, San Diego
- 2090 VA San Diego Healthcare System, San Diego
- 2337 Northeast Valley Health Corporation, WIC Program Dietetic Internship, San Fernando (closed 1/2008)
- 2196 San Francisco State University, San Francisco
- 2057 University of California, San Francisco Medical Center, San Francisco
- 2295 San Jose State University, San Jose
- 2363 California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
- 2147 Olive View/UCLA Medical Center, Sylmar (closed 10/2010)
- 2389 UC San Diego Medical Center, San Diego
- 2390 California State University Community Concentration, Northridge

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 4320 Pacific Union College, Angwin (closed 8/2002)
- 4315 University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley
- 4305 California State University—Chico, Chico
- 4316 University of California, Davis
- 4306 California State University, Fresno
- 4301 California State University, Long Beach
- 4302 California State University, Los Angeles
- 4321 Pepperdine University, Malibu
- 4307 California State University, Northridge
- 4303 California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
- 4323 California State University, Sacramento
- 4322 California State University, San Bernardino
- 4324 Point Loma Nazarene University, San Diego
- 4312 San Diego State University, San Diego
- 4313 San Francisco State University, San Francisco
- 4314 San Jose State University, San Jose
- 4304 California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

COLORADO

Coordinated Programs

1499 Colorado State University, Fort Collins

Internship Programs

2125 Penrose—St. Francis Health Services, Colorado Springs

2158 Tri-County Health Department, Nutrition Services, Englewood

2173 Colorado State University, Fort Collins (closed 8/2005)

2222 University of Northern Colorado, Greeley

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

4404 University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, Colorado Springs

4403 Johnson & Wales University, Denver

4406 Metropolitan State College of Denver, Denver

4401 Colorado State University, Fort Collins

4402 University of Northern Colorado, Greeley

4405 University of Northern Colorado, Greeley (Distance)

CONNECTICUT

Coordinated Programs

1437 The University of Connecticut, School of Allied Health, Storrs

1476 Saint Joseph College, West Hartford (closed 8/2009)

Internship Programs

2338 Danbury Hospital, Danbury

2079 Yale—New Haven Hospital, New Haven

2159 The University of Connecticut, School of Allied Health, Storrs

2174 Saint Joseph College, West Hartford

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

4503 The University of Connecticut, Storrs

4502 Saint Joseph College, West Hartford

4505 University of New Haven, West Haven

DELAWARE

Internship Programs

2193 University of Delaware, Newark

Internship—Graduate Programs

2378 University of Delaware, Newark

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

4602 Delaware State University, Dover

4601 University of Delaware, Newark

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Coordinated Programs

1471 Howard University, Washington

Internship Programs

2189 Sodexo Health Care—Mid Atlantic, Washington (moved to Columbia, Maryland 1999)

2077 US Military Dietetic Internship Consortium, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington (refer to 2352 in TX) (closed 5/2005)

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

4703 University of the District of Columbia, Washington

FLORIDA

Coordinated Programs

1410 Florida International University, Miami

1520 Keiser University, Pembroke Pines

Internship Programs

2367 Bay Pines VA Medical Center, Bay Pines

2237 University of Florida, Gainesville

2198 Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville

2304 University of North Florida, Jacksonville

2213 Florida International University, Miami (closed 8/2007)

2160 Pasco County Health Department, New Port Richey

- 2369 Johnson & Wales University, North Miami (closed 1/2007)
- 2306 Sarasota District Schools, Osprey
- 2234 Sarasota Memorial Hospital, Sarasota
- 2351 Florida Department of Education, Tallahassee
- 2281 Florida State University, Tallahassee
- 2130 Anne Brezina Dietetic Internship Program at James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital, Tampa

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 4805 University of Florida, Gainesville
- 4808 University of North Florida, Jacksonville
- 4802 Florida International University, Miami
- 4803 Florida State University, Tallahassee

GEORGIA

Coordinated—Graduate Programs

- 1511 Georgia State University, Atlanta

Internship Programs

- 2319 The University of Georgia, Athens
- 2199 Division of Public Health, Georgia Department of Human Resources, Atlanta
- 2078 Emory Hospitals, Atlanta
- 2400 Morrison Chartwells, Atlanta (Distance)
- 2263 Georgia State University, Atlanta (closed 1/2009)
- 2117 Augusta Area Dietetic Internship, University Hospital, Augusta
- 2340 Life University, Marietta
- 2238 Southern Regional Medical Center, Riverdale

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 4909 The University of Georgia, Athens
- 4907 Georgia State University, Atlanta
- 4904 Fort Valley State University, Fort Valley
- 4910 Life University, Marietta
- 4906 Georgia Southern University, Statesboro

HAWAII

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 5001 University of Hawaii—Manoa, Honolulu

IDAHO

Coordinated Programs

- 1460 University of Idaho, Moscow

Internship Programs

- 2162 Idaho State University, Pocatello

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 5102 Idaho State University, Pocatello

ILLINOIS

Coordinated Programs

- 1402 University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago

Coordinated—Graduate Programs

- 1502 University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago
- 1515 Dominican University, River Forest

Internship Programs

- 2175 Southern Illinois University—Carbondale, Carbondale
- 2163 Eastern Illinois University, Charleston
- 2239 Loyola University—Chicago, Chicago
- 2083 Rush University Medical Center, Chicago
- 2200 Northern Illinois University, DeKalb
- 2100 Ingalls Memorial Hospital, Harvey
- 2074 Edward Hines, Jr. VA Hospital, Hines
- 2264 Benedictine University, Lisle
- 2262 Illinois State University, Normal
- 2084 OSF Saint Francis Medical Center, Peoria

- 2126 St. John's Hospital, Springfield (closed 6/2006)
2272 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana
2391 Bradley University, Peoria

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 5208 Olivet Nazarene University, Bourbonnais
5212 Southern Illinois University-Carbondale, Carbondale
5202 Eastern Illinois University, Charleston
5206 Loyola University Chicago, Chicago (closed 5/2006)
5219 University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago
5207 Northern Illinois University, DeKalb
5218 Benedictine University, Lisle
5216 Western Illinois University, Macomb
5203 Illinois State University, Normal
5201 Bradley University, Peoria
5210 Dominican University (formerly Rosary College), River Forest
5215 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana

INDIANA

Coordinated Programs

- 1491 Marian College, Indianapolis (closed 5/2003)
1474 Indiana State University, Terre Haute
1445 Purdue University, West Lafayette

Coordinated—Graduate Programs

- 1501 Indiana State University, Terre Haute

Internship Programs

- 2348 Purdue University-Calumet, Hammond (closed 8/2003)
2240 Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis
2143 Ball Memorial Hospital, Muncie (closed 8/2007)
2282 Ball State University, Muncie

Internship—Graduate Programs

- 2379 Ball State University, Muncie

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 5305 Indiana University, Bloomington
5307 Marian College, Indianapolis (closed 2/2004)
5301 Ball State University, Muncie
5308 Purdue University, Dept. of Foods and Nutrition, West Lafayette
5312 University of Southern Indiana, Evansville

IOWA

Internship Programs

- 2164 Iowa State University, Dept. of Food Science and Human Nutrition, Ames
2374 Iowa State University, Dept. of Food Science and Human Nutrition,
Ames (Distance) (closed 7/2010)
2058 University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 5402 Iowa State University, Dept. of Food Science and Human Nutrition, Ames
5405 University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls (closed 12/2002)

KANSAS

Coordinated Programs

- 1400 Kansas State University, Manhattan

Internship Programs

- 2059 University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 5508 Kansas State University, Dept. of Hotel, Restaurant, Institution
Management and Dietetics, Manhattan (on campus)
5509 Kansas State University, Dept. of Hotel, Restaurant, Institution
Management and Dietetics, Manhattan (Distance)

KENTUCKY

Coordinated Programs

1464 University of Kentucky, Lexington

Internship Programs

2296 University of Kentucky, Lexington

2060 University of Kentucky Hospital, Lexington

2176 Spalding University, Louisville (closed 7/2003)

2317 Morehead State University, Morehead (closed 8/2005)

2314 Murray State University, Murray

2241 Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

5601 Berea College, Berea (closed 8/2007)

5609 Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green

5607 University of Kentucky, Lexington

5604 Morehead State University, Morehead (closed 12/2007)

5605 Murray State University, Murray

5602 Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond

KOREA

Coordinated Program

1518 Kyung Hee University, Seoul

LOUISIANA

Internship Programs

2227 Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge (closed 12/2005)

2265 Southern University and A&M College, Baton Rouge

2201 North Oaks Health System, Hammond

2242 University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Lafayette

2202 McNeese State University, Lake Charles

2051 Touro Infirmary, New Orleans (closed 6/2009)

2297 Tulane University, New Orleans

2203 Louisiana Tech University, Ruston

2361 Nicholls State University, Thibodaux (closed 5/2009)

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

5703 Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge

5709 Southern University and A & M College, Baton Rouge

5711 University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Lafayette

5712 McNeese State University, Lake Charles

5702 Louisiana Tech University, Ruston

5704 Nicholls State University, Thibodaux

MAINE

Internship Programs

2204 University of Maine, Orono

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

5801 University of Maine, Orono

MARYLAND

Coordinated—Graduate Programs

1507 Johns Hopkins University/Bayview Medical Center, Baltimore

Internship Programs

2320 Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center, Baltimore

2214 University of Maryland Medical Center, Baltimore

2150 National Institutes of Health, Nutrition Dept., Clinical Center, Bethesda

2326 University of Maryland—College Park, College Park

2189 Sodexo Health Care Services—Mid-Atlantic, Columbia

2331 University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, Princess Anne

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

5904 Morgan State University, Baltimore

5906 University of Maryland, College Park

5907 University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, Princess Anne

MASSACHUSETTS

Coordinated Programs

- 1414 Framingham State College, Framingham
- 1508 Framingham State College, Framingham (Distance)

Coordinated—Graduate Programs

- 1514 Boston University/Sargent College and Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston (closed 3/2009)

Internship Programs

- 2266 University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Amherst
- 2004 Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston
- 2258 Boston University, Boston
- 2040 Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston
- 2015 Frances Stern Nutrition Center, New England Medical Center, Tufts University, Boston
- 2028 Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston
- 2243 Simmons College, Boston
- 2373 Simmons College, Boston (Distance)
- 2099 Mount Auburn Hospital, Cambridge
- 2278 Sodexo/Southcoast Hospital Group Internship, New Bedford
- 2312 Sodexo Health Care Services, Waltham (Distance)

Internship—Graduate Programs

- 2380 Frances Stern Nutrition Center, New England Medical Center Tufts University, Boston

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 6009 University of Massachusetts, Department of Nutrition, Amherst
- 6011 Boston University/Sargent College, Boston
- 6007 Simmons College, Boston
- 6004 Framingham State University, Framingham

MEXICO

Coordinated Programs

- 1513 Universidad Iberoamericana, A.C. Dept. of Health, Del. Alvaro Obregon

MICHIGAN

Coordinated Programs

- 1480 Wayne State University, Detroit
- 1441 Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti
- 1504 Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti (Distance)

Coordinated—Graduate Programs

- 1510 Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti (Distance)

Internship Programs

- 2152 University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers, Ann Arbor
- 2333 University of Michigan School of Public Health, Ann Arbor (Began 4/2001)
- 2339 Andrews University, Berrien Springs
- 2133 Detroit Department of Health and Wellness Promotion, Detroit (closed 1/2009)
- 2018 Harper University Hospital, Detroit
- 2019 Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit
- 2315 Michigan State University, East Lansing
- 2129 Hurley Medical Center, Flint
- 2228 Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo
- 2105 Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant
- 2279 Oakland County Health Division, Southfield (closed 5/2007)
- 2393 Beaumont Hospitals, Royal Oak

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 6109 University of Michigan School of Public Health, Ann Arbor
- 6113 Andrews University, Berrien Springs
- 6104 Marygrove College, Detroit (closed 10/2002)
- 6106 Michigan State University, East Lansing
- 6111 Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo
- 6112 Madonna University, Livonia

6107 Northern Michigan University, Marquette (closed 12/2003)

6102 Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant

MINNESOTA

Coordinated Programs

1487 College of Saint Benedict/Saint John's University, Saint Joseph
(closed 5/2006)

1438 University of Minnesota, Saint Paul (closed 8/2006)

Coordinated—Graduate Programs

1517 University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

Internship Programs

2259 Minneapolis VA Health Care System, Minneapolis

2267 University of Minnesota Medical Center—Fairview, Minneapolis

2307 Concordia College, Moorhead

2047 Saint Mary's Hospital, Mayo Medical Center, Rochester

2048 Regions Hospital, Saint Paul (closed 6/2003)

2178 University of Minnesota, Saint Paul

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

6203 The College of Saint Scholastica, Duluth (closed 6/2002)

6205 Minnesota State University, Mankato

6209 Concordia College, Moorhead

6210 College of St. Benedict/St. John's University, Saint Joseph

6202 St. Catherine University, Saint Paul

6207 University of Minnesota, Saint Paul

MISSISSIPPI

Coordinated Programs

1495 Delta State University, Cleveland

1521 The University of Mississippi, University

Internship Programs

2344 Alcorn State University, Alcorn (closed 5/2006)

2275 The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg

2154 Saint Dominic—Jackson Memorial Hospital, Jackson (closed 6/2007)

2244 Mississippi State University, Mississippi State

Internship—Graduate Programs

2381 The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg

2382 Mississippi State University, Mississippi State

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

6306 Alcorn State University, Alcorn State

6304 The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg

6302 Mississippi State University, Mississippi State

6303 University of Mississippi, University

MISSOURI

Coordinated Programs

1404 University of Missouri—Columbia, Columbia

Internship Programs

2293 Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau

2284 Missouri Dept of Health and Senior Services, Jefferson City

2194 Missouri Department of Mental Health, Jefferson City (closed 5/2002)

2274 ARAMARK Healthcare—Kansas City/Saint Joseph Medical Center,
Kansas City (closed 6/2011)

2245 St. Louis DVA Medical Center, Jefferson Barracks Division, Saint Louis

2002 Barnes—Jewish Hospital College of Nursing and Allied Health at
Washington University Medical Center, Saint Louis (closed 6/2007)

2045 Saint Louis University, Edward and Margaret Doisy School of Allied
Health Professions, Saint Louis

2372 Cox College, Springfield

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

6411 Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau

6412 Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville

- 6413 College of the Ozarks, Point Lookout
6403 Fontbonne University, Saint Louis
6415 Saint Louis University, Edward and Margaret Doisy School of Allied Health Professions, Saint Louis
6406 Missouri State University, Springfield
6401 University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg

MONTANA

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 6501 Montana State University–Bozeman, Bozeman

Internship Programs

- 2394 Montana State University–Bozeman, Bozeman

NEBRASKA

Internship Programs

- 2229 University of Nebraska–Lincoln, Lincoln
2096 University of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 6601 University of Nebraska at Kearney, Kearney (closed 6/2004)
6603 University of Nebraska–Lincoln, Lincoln

NEVADA

Internship Program

- 2365 University of Nevada–Las Vegas, Las Vegas
2215 University of Nevada–Reno, Reno

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 6702 University of Nevada–Las Vegas, Las Vegas
6701 University of Nevada–Reno, Reno

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Internship Programs

- 2179 University of New Hampshire, Durham
2301 Keene State College, Keene (On Campus)
2396 Keene State College, Keene (Distance)

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 6804 University of New Hampshire, Durham
6801 Keene State College, Keene

NEW JERSEY

Coordinated Programs

- 1492 University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, Jersey City State College or Thomas Edison State College, Scotch Plains

Internship Programs

- 2165 College of Saint Elizabeth, Morristown
2091 University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, School of Health Related Professions, Scotch Plains
2327 New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services, Family Health Services–WIC, Trenton (closed 7/2006)
2350 Montclair State University, Upper Montclair
2366 South Jersey Healthcare Regional Medical Center, Vineland

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 6901 College of Saint Elizabeth, Morristown
6904 Rutgers University, New Brunswick
6903 Montclair State University, Upper Montclair

Didactic Graduate Programs in Dietetics

- 6906 College of Saint Elizabeth, Morristown

NEW MEXICO

Internship Programs

- 2260 University of New Mexico, Albuquerque
2401 New Mexico State University, Las Cruces

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

7002 University of New Mexico, Albuquerque

7001 New Mexico State University, Las Cruces

NEW YORK

Coordinated Programs

1407 Buffalo State College, SUNY, Buffalo

1490 D'Youville College, Buffalo

1449 Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester (closed 9/2003)

1411 Syracuse University, Syracuse (closed 5/2008)

Internship Programs

2305 Herbert H. Lehman College, Bronx

2118 James J. Peters VA Medical Center, Bronx

2347 Brooklyn College, Brooklyn

2216 Long Island University/C.W. Post Campus, Brookville

2311 University at Buffalo, SUNY, Buffalo

2318 Sodexo Health Care Services, Metro NY, East Meadow (closed 8/2010)

2217 Queens College—CUNY, Flushing

2223 Cornell University—Ithaca, Ithaca

2357 North Shore—LIJ Health System, Manhasset

2286 Columbia University Teachers College, New York

2308 Hunter College—CUNY, New York

2035 NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital, New York

2287 New York University, New York

2190 New York Institute of Technology, Old Westbury (closed 12/2006)

2316 State University of New York at Oneonta, Oneonta

2268 Stony Brook University (Full-time), Stony Brook

2385 Stony Brook University (Part-time), Stony Brook

2247 Syracuse University, Syracuse

2321 Marymount College of Fordham University, Tarrytown (closed 5/2001)

2218 The Sage Colleges, Troy

2114 Westchester Medical Center, Valhalla (closed 6/2004)

Internship—Graduate Programs

2384 Stony Brook University (Part-time), Stony Brook

2386 Stony Brook University (Full-time), Stony Brook

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

7104 Herbert H. Lehman College, Bronx

7101 Brooklyn College, Brooklyn

7121 Long Island University/C.W. Post Campus, Brookville

7114 Buffalo State University of New York, SUNY, Buffalo

7110 Queens College—CUNY, Flushing

7103 Cornell University—Ithaca, Division of Nutritional Sciences, Ithaca

7122 Cornell University—Ithaca, School of Hotel Administration,
Ithaca (closed 12/1999)

7105 Hunter College—CUNY, New York

7108 New York University, New York

7123 New York Institute of Technology, Old Westbury (closed 12/2010)

7116 State University of New York at Oneonta, Oneonta

7117 Plattsburgh State University of New York, Plattsburgh

7111 Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester

7119 Syracuse University, Syracuse

7107 Fordham University, Tarrytown (closed 8/2008)

7120 The Sage Colleges, Troy

7124 Stony Brook University, Stony Brook (closed 2/2011)

NORTH CAROLINA

Coordinated Programs

1486 The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill

Internship Programs

2186 Appalachian State University, Boone

2288 Western Carolina University, Cullowhee

2248 North Carolina Central University, Durham

- 2181 University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro
- 2182 East Carolina University, Greenville
- 2155 Meredith College, Raleigh
- 2397 Solmaz Institute at Lenoir-Rhyne University, Hickory

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 7201 Appalachian State University, Boone
- 7210 The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill
(closed 5/2010)
- 7212 Western Carolina University, Cullowhee
- 7207 North Carolina Central University, Durham
- 7203 Bennett College, Greensboro (closed 6/2002)
- 7206 North Carolina A&T State University, Greensboro
- 7211 University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Nutrition and Foodservice
Systems, Greensboro
- 7204 East Carolina University, Greenville
- 7213 Meredith College, Raleigh

NORTH DAKOTA

Coordinated Programs

- 1450 North Dakota State University, Fargo
- 1442 University of North Dakota, Grand Forks

Internship Programs

- 2289 North Dakota State University, Fargo (closed 12/2001)

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 7301 North Dakota State University, Fargo

OHIO

Coordinated Programs

- 1455 The University of Akron, Akron
- 1498 University of Cincinnati, College of Allied Health Sciences, Cincinnati
- 1401 The Ohio State University, Columbus
- 1484 Youngstown State University, Youngstown

Coordinated—Graduate Degree

- 1503 The Ohio State University, Columbus

Internship Programs

- 2290 Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green
- 2370 Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green (Distance)
- 2093 The Christ Hospital, Cincinnati
- 2017 Good Samaritan Hospital, Cincinnati
- 2219 Cincinnati Children's Division of Developmental Disabilities, Cincinnati
(closed 12/2004)
- 2230 Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland
- 2145 Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Cleveland
- 2088 Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center, Cleveland
- 2116 MetroHealth Medical Center, Cleveland
- 2087 University Hospitals of Cleveland, Cleveland
- 2183 Mount Carmel College of Nursing, Columbus
- 2206 The Ohio State University School of Allied Medical Professions,
Columbus
- 2291 The Ohio State University, Dept. of Human Nutrition, Columbus
- 2033 Miami Valley Hospital, Dayton
- 2341 Kent State University, Kent

Didactic Programs In Dietetics

- 7414 The University of Akron, Akron
- 7412 Ohio University, Athens
- 7419 Bluffton University, Bluffton
- 7403 Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green
- 7415 University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati
- 7404 Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland
- 7411 The Ohio State University, Columbus
- 7416 University of Dayton, Dayton
- 7407 Kent State University, Kent

- 7408 Miami University, Oxford
7409 Notre Dame College of Ohio, South Euclid (closed 9/2001)
7418 Youngstown State University, Youngstown
7421 Ashland University, Ashland

OKLAHOMA

Coordinated Programs

- 1430 University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma City

Internship Programs

- 2166 University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond
2184 University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma City
2185 Oklahoma State University, Stillwater

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 7501 University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond
7506 Langston University, Langston
7503 University of Oklahoma, Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma City
7502 Oklahoma State University, Stillwater
7507 Northeastern State University, Tahlequah

OREGON

Internship Programs

- 2066 Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland
2187 Mid-Willamette Valley Dietetic Internship, Salem (closed 8/2010)
2388 Oregon State University, Corvallis

Internship—Graduate Programs

- 2375 Oregon Health and Sciences University, Portland

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 7601 Oregon State University, Corvallis

PENNSYLVANIA

Coordinated Programs

- 1478 Seton Hill University, Greensburg
1497 La Salle University, Philadelphia
1481 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh
1428 Marywood University, Scranton

Internship Programs

- 2349 Sodexo Health Care Services, Allentown
2148 Geisinger Medical Center, Danville
2167 Immaculata College, Immaculata
2191 Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana
2123 Johnstown Area Dietetic Internship UPMC Lee Regional, Johnstown
(closed 11/2001)
2168 Adagio Health, Pittsburgh
2044 UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside, Pittsburgh (closed 6/2010)
2231 Marywood University, Scranton
2332 Marywood University, Distance Education Dietetic Internship, Scranton
2322 The Pennsylvania State University, University Park
2358 Crozer-Keystone Health System, Upton (closed 11/2003)
2302 ARAMARK Healthcare, Mid-Atlantic—Philadelphia Area, Dietetic
Internship, ARAMARK Corporation, Warrington
2392 Cedar Crest College, Allentown

Internship—Graduate Programs

- 2353 ARAMARK Healthcare, Philadelphia (formerly Metropolitan New York,
Jamaica)—Distance
2285 Sodexo Health Care Services—NJ/Philadelphia Metro Dietetic Internship,
Yardley

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 7716 Cedar Crest College, Allentown
7708 Messiah College, Grantham
7703 Immaculata College, Immaculata
7704 Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana
7705 Mansfield University, Mansfield

- 7702 Drexel University, Philadelphia (Bachelor's)
7719 Drexel University, Philadelphia (Master's)
7718 LaSalle University, Philadelphia
7713 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh
7706 Marywood University, Scranton
7709 The Pennsylvania State University, University Park
7717 West Chester University, West Chester

PUERTO RICO

Coordinated Programs

- 1500 Universidad del Turabo, Gurabo, PR

Internship Programs

- 2080 Puerto Rico Department of Health, San Juan
2067 University of Puerto Rico, College of Health Related Professions,
Medical Sciences Campus, San Juan
2068 VA Caribbean Healthcare System, San Juan

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 7802 University of Puerto Rico, San Juan

RHODE ISLAND

Internship Programs

- 2292 University of Rhode Island, Kingston

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 7902 University of Rhode Island, Kingston
7903 Johnson & Wales University, Providence

SOUTH CAROLINA

Internship Programs

- 2224 Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston
2359 Clemson University, Clemson (closed 12/2006)
2249 South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control,
Columbia
2169 Winthrop University, Rock Hill

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 8006 Clemson University, Clemson
8004 South Carolina State University, Orangeburg
8005 Winthrop University, Rock Hill

SOUTH DAKOTA

Coordinated Programs

- 1494 Mount Marty College, Yankton (closed 8/2005)

Internship Programs

- 2335 The University of South Dakota, Sioux Falls

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 8102 South Dakota State University, Brookings
8101 Mount Marty College, Yankton (closed 8/2005)

TENNESSEE

Internship Programs

- 2170 East Tennessee State University, Johnson City
2171 The University of Tennessee–Knoxville, Knoxville
2250 The University of Tennessee at Martin, Martin
2149 The University of Memphis, Memphis
2128 National Health Care Corporation, Murfreesboro
2345 Lipscomb University, Nashville
2076 Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville
2395 Memphis VA Medical Center, Memphis

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 8214 University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Chattanooga
8211 Tennessee Technological University, Cookeville
8215 Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City
8204 East Tennessee State University, Johnson City

- 8212 The University of Tennessee—Knoxville, Knoxville
- 8213 The University of Tennessee at Martin, Martin
- 8207 The University of Memphis, Memphis
- 8208 Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro
- 8203 Lipscomb University, Nashville
- 8210 Tennessee State University, Nashville

TEXAS

Coordinated Programs

- 1469 The University of Texas at Austin, Austin
- 1443 University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, Dallas
- 1485 The University of Texas—Pan American, Edinburg
- 1454 Texas Christian University, Fort Worth
- 1519 University of Texas Health Science Center, Laredo

Internship Programs

- 2309 Texas WIC Dietetic Internship, Texas Department of Health, Austin
- 2343 Lamar University, Beaumont
- 2111 Texas A&M University, College Station
- 2003 Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas
- 2085 Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital, Dallas
- 2220 Texas Woman's University, Denton
- 2075 Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Houston
- 2097 Texas Woman's University, Houston
- 2211 University of Houston, Houston
- 2255 University of Texas Health Science Center—Houston, Houston
- 2328 Sam Houston State University, Huntsville
- 2156 Texas A&M University—Kingsville, Kingsville
- 2138 Texas Tech University, College of Home Sciences, Lubbock
- 2334 Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches
- 2256 Prairie View A & M University, Prairie View
- 2376 Baptist Health System, San Antonio
- 2269 University of the Incarnate Word, San Antonio
- 2251 Texas State University—San Marcos, San Marcos

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 8301 Abilene Christian University, Abilene
- 8320 The University of Texas at Austin, Austin
- 8304 Lamar University, Beaumont
- 8325 Texas A&M University, College Station
- 8318 Texas Woman's University, Denton
- 8314 Texas Christian University, Fort Worth
- 8315 Texas Southern University, Houston
- 8319 University of Houston, Houston
- 8308 Sam Houston State University, Huntsville
- 8313 Texas A&M University—Kingsville, Kingsville
- 8316 Texas Tech University, Lubbock
- 8311 Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches
- 8307 Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View
- 8303 University of the Incarnate Word, San Antonio
- 8309 Texas State University—San Marcos, San Marcos
- 8327 Tarleton State University, Stephenville (closed 6/2004)
- 8326 Baylor University, Waco

UTAH

Coordinated Programs

- 1422 Utah State University, Logan
- 1488 University of Utah, Salt Lake City

Internship Programs

- 2310 Utah State University—Salt Lake, Murray
- 2276 Brigham Young University, Provo

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

- 8403 Utah State University, Logan
- 8401 Brigham Young University, Provo

VERMONT

Coordinated—Graduate Programs

1512 University of Vermont, Burlington

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

8501 University of Vermont, Burlington

VIRGINIA

Internship Programs

2232 Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg

2092 University of Virginia, Health System, Charlottesville

2270 James Madison University, Harrisonburg (closed 12/2009)

2188 Virginia State University, Petersburg

2323 Radford University, Radford (closed 5/2005)

2029 Virginia Commonwealth University Health System, Richmond

2298 Virginia Department of Health, Richmond

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

8605 Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg

8603 James Madison University, Harrisonburg

8607 Norfolk State University, Norfolk

8606 Virginia State University, Petersburg

8604 Radford University, Radford

WASHINGTON

Coordinated Programs

1470 Washington State University, Pullman (closed 8/2011)

1506 Washington State University—Spokane, Spokane

1516 University of Washington, Seattle

1522 University of Washington, Seattle (Supervised Practice Track)

Internship Program

2192 Central Washington University, Ellensburg

2252 Bastyr University, Kenmore

2257 Sea Mar Community Health Center, Seattle

2253 University of Washington, Seattle (closed 1/2008)

2254 Washington State University—Spokane, Spokane (closed 12/2005)

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

8707 Central Washington University, Ellensburg

8709 Bastyr University, Kenmore (Bachelor's)

8710 Bastyr University, Kenmore (Master's)

8705 Washington State University, Pullman

8708 Seattle Pacific University, Seattle

8703 University of Washington, Seattle (closed 1/2008)

WEST VIRGINIA

Internship Programs

2233 Marshall University, Huntington

2209 West Virginia University, Morgantown

2136 West Virginia University Hospitals, Inc., Morgantown

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

8801 Marshall University, Huntington

8803 West Virginia University, Morgantown

WISCONSIN

Coordinated Programs

1453 Viterbo University, La Crosse

1459 University of Wisconsin–Madison, Madison (closed 12/2005)

1415 Mount Mary College, Milwaukee

Internship Programs

2273 University of Wisconsin–Green Bay, Green Bay

2261 Viterbo University, LaCrosse

2069 University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics, Madison

2221 University of Wisconsin–Stout, Menomonie

2271 Mount Mary College, Milwaukee

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

8903 University of Wisconsin–Green Bay, Green Bay

8905 University of Wisconsin–Madison, Dept. of Nutritional Sciences,
Madison

8907 University of Wisconsin–Stout, Menomonie

8906 University of Wisconsin–Stevens Point, Stevens Point

WYOMING

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

9001 University of Wyoming, Laramie

CONSORTIUMS

ARIZONA

Internship Programs

2368 Southwestern Dietetic Internship Consortium–Phoenix Indian MC,
Phoenix

PENNSYLVANIA

Coordinated Programs

1466 Pennsylvania Consortium (Edinboro University of Pennsylvania,
Gannon University, Mercyhurst College), Edinboro/Erie (closed 6/2009)

TEXAS

Dietetic Internship Programs

2352 US Military Dietetic Internship Consortium–Wilford Hall Medical Center
(Air Force), San Antonio

Dietetic Internship Graduate Programs

2383 US Military Main Consortium–Center for Army Graduate Military
Healthcare Education (Brooke Army MC, Walter Reed Army MC,
Womack Army MC, Madigan Army MC), Fort Sam Houston

TESTING OF APPLICANTS WITH DISABILITIES

If you want to apply for test accommodations, do NOT log in to your account and register at this time. Instead, read and follow the instructions below carefully. Once you have collected all of your documentation, mail everything together to the address below. Do not ask your physicians, other professionals, or other agencies providing documentation to mail your documents separately. **You must send all documentation together. Mail your documents to:**

Dietetic Registration (82)
Testing Accommodations
ACT
PO Box 168
Iowa City, IA 52243-0168

The Commission on Dietetic Registration makes every reasonable effort to accommodate applicants for the Registration Examination for Dietitians who are disabled, as that term is defined in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 2008. Under the ADA, a person is disabled if he or she has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits him or her in a major life activity.

In an effort to make the Registration Examination for Dietitians equally accessible to applicants with disabilities, testing accommodations are made available for candidates with diagnosed physical, mental, sensory, or learning disabilities, and who provide appropriate documentation.

All accommodations requests are evaluated by qualified professionals. Requests may also be submitted for independent external reviews by specialists in a particular impairment. It is important to understand that the mere documentation of the presence of a disability does not entitle you to accommodation(s). *Rather, the impact of your disability on your ability to take this examination must be quantifiably documented.*

To avoid delays caused by a request for missing information, please submit the following:

1. **Your own personal letter requesting accommodations** with a detailed description of your disability, indicating the accommodations you believe are necessary for you to take the Registration Examination for Dietitians. If you received, or are currently receiving, testing accommodations, please provide documentation from the educational institution to confirm your receipt of the accommodations.
2. **If additional time is requested**, submit the documentation prepared by the diagnostician or certified specialist stating the precise amount of additional time needed

such as one-third time, time and a half, or double time, as well as the rationale for the requested additional testing time. A request for an untimed examination is insufficient.

3. **Current documentation** by your clinician, physician, or other qualified specialist licensed or certified to diagnose and treat your diagnosed condition, *prepared within the last five years*.

This documentation must set forth a detailed diagnosis, provided treatment, and the last date of treatment and/or consultation with the qualified professional. It must also provide an explanation of the need for the requested accommodation(s) and how the functional limitation of the qualified condition relates to this test-taking activity. A description of the accommodations deemed appropriate should also be included. Your professional must also include a brief statement of his/her qualifications and areas of specialty.

The following guidelines are intended to assist you in completing your request for accommodations appropriate for diagnoses of **cognitive impairments**, such as, but not limited to, a specific learning disability, a processing deficiency, an attention deficit disorder, or a physical, medical, neurological, or psychological disorder that affects your cognitive abilities.

- You must submit a comprehensive psychoeducational or neuropsychological assessment report that complies with the following requirements and demonstrates the impact of your disability on your ability to complete the Registration Examination for Dietitians under standard time conditions.
- In cases where a neuropsychological examination is necessary (learning disabilities, neurological injuries or disorders), it is expected that the assessment will be a comprehensive battery of tests administered by a professional with credentials in the field.
- For tests with subtests (such as the WAIS-IV or WJ-III NU), the scores from **all subtests** must also be included. Unless noted below, all standard scores and percentiles should be on age-adjusted rather than education-adjusted norms. Acceptable measures include, but are not limited to, the Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale-IV (WAIS-IV), Woodcock-Johnson III: Tests of Cognitive Abilities NU, and the Kaufmann Adolescent and Adult Intelligence Test II. The Nelson-Denny Reading Test (NDRT) may not be used to diagnose a learning disability in reading.

- A complete and comprehensive achievement battery, including current levels of academic functioning in relevant areas such as reading (decoding, rate, and comprehension) and written language (e.g., Woodcock-Johnson Psycho-educational Battery III: Tests of Achievement and the Scholastic Abilities Test for Adults), Wechsler Individual Achievement Test III (WIAT III). Screening tests such as the Wide Range Achievement Test and the Nelson-Denny Reading Test sometimes provide useful supplemental information but cannot, in and of themselves, determine reading ability.
- An assessment of **information processing** (e.g., short and long-term memory, sequential memory, processing speed, executive functioning, etc.) using appropriate instruments (e.g., Wechsler Memory Scale-III, relevant subtests from the Woodcock Johnson Psychoeducational Battery III, and Delis Kaplan Executive Function System).
- **And** other appropriate assessment measures to help support a differential diagnosis or to disentangle the cognitive condition from co-existing neurological and/or personality disorders.

Please note: All tests must be reliable, valid, and standardized for use with an adult population. All standard scores and percentiles (including subtests) must be provided. The diagnostician must provide a specific diagnosis with an interpretation of tests being provided and show evidence that alternative explanations (e.g., poor motivation or study skills, cultural or language differences) can be ruled out.

For diagnoses of **Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)**, relevant batteries as described above should be provided to determine patterns supportive of attention problems. The diagnostician's report must include a review of your history regarding each of the DSM-IV diagnostic criteria for ADHD and specify which symptoms that cause impairment were present in childhood and which current symptoms have been present to a maladaptive level for at least the past six months. Although self-reporting of symptoms and events is helpful, it is critical that information from other sources (e.g., health care professionals, relatives, teachers, school records, or employers) be presented to the evaluator and summarized in his or her report.

A well-written diagnostic summary, based on a comprehensive evaluative process, is a necessary component of the assessment. The clinical summary must include:

- evidence that the evaluator ruled out alternate explanations for the inattentiveness, impulsivity, and/or hyper-

activity;

- an indication of the patterns of symptoms across the life span and across settings;
- an indication of the substantial limitation to learning presented by ADHD and the degree to which it impacts the individual in the context for which accommodation is being requested; and
- indications as to why specific accommodations are needed and how the effects of ADHD symptoms will be mediated by the accommodations.

Documentation of a **mood or anxiety disorder** normally includes a review of the family history, age of onset, course of illness, psychological tests used, and the history of treatment for the disorder. If treatment includes medication, please provide evidence of continued impairment despite benefits of medication. Due to the variable nature of these conditions, documentation of a mood or anxiety disorder must be current within the past twelve (12) months.

If you request extended time because of a **visual disability**, a report of a complete ocular examination is required. It must include all test results, a description of functional limitation, a discussion of the extent to which the limitation has been or can be addressed through corrective devices, and a specific recommendation and rationale for accommodations. If you are legally blind, documentation acknowledging this specifically (e.g., from a governmental agency or your eye doctor) can substitute for a complete ocular exam.

Documentation of a **chronic medical or physical disability** must include:

- a clear statement of the medical diagnosis from a physician, neurologist, or other medical specialist.
- an assessment of the functionally limiting manifestations of the condition(s) for which accommodations are needed.
- a description of present symptoms, which meets the criteria for diagnosis.
- a list of medications or treatments currently being used to relieve the functional manifestations of the condition.
- medical information relating to the candidate's needs, including the impact of medication or other treatments on the candidate's current ability to meet the demands of a timed multiple choice format examination.

Because of the changing nature of some physical disabilities, it is critical that documentation be current. The diagnostic report should be less than one (1) year old; documentation that is 12–24 months old will be

accepted if it is accompanied by a letter from a qualified professional that provides an update on the diagnosis, the candidate's current level of functioning, changes since the previous evaluation, current treatment, and continued rationale for the requested accommodations.

For all requests: You will be notified by letter whether or not your accommodations have been approved. If your accommodations are approved, your letter will provide instructions on how to schedule your exam by telephone. If you have not yet registered for your exam, please have your credit card ready when you call.

All candidates, regardless of accommodations, are still required to test before the one-year eligibility period expires. Apply as early as possible in advance so that sufficient time will be allowed to make the proper arrangements as **accommodations must be approved in advance of testing**. It is your responsibility to notify ACT of the need for accommodations.

ACT may refuse accommodations if you do not provide adequate notice accompanied by complete documentation as set forth above.

ACT reserves the right to independently evaluate documentation submitted by all candidates who request accommodations.

If your accommodations are denied, you will be required to test under standard conditions. Please register, schedule, and pay for your exam by following the instructions outlined in your Eligibility e-mail.

Should you have any questions regarding your disability and/or required documentation, contact ACT at 319.337.1283 between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Central Time, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

TEST CENTER INFORMATION

Eligibility to Test

Approved candidates are eligible to test for a one-year period between the dates indicated on the Eligibility e-mail sent to the candidate by CDR's testing agency, ACT. Eligibility expires when the:

- candidate takes the examination;
- one-year eligibility period ends;

- candidate fails to cancel the testing appointment within the specified timeline (see below, Scheduling, Changing, or Cancelling an Appointment);
- candidate arrives late for the scheduled testing appointment (see page 28, Late Arrivals);
- candidate does not complete the examination during the test appointment (see page 28, Rules for the Examination);
- candidate fails to present the Scheduling Confirmation e-mail at the time of the scheduled test appointment;
- candidate fails to present a valid, US government-issued photo identification that has not expired at the time of the scheduled test appointment.

Candidates seeking reauthorization must contact the Commission on Dietetic Registration, 120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000, Chicago, Illinois 60606-6995, by telephone (312.899.4859), or by fax (312.899.4772) to request an examination reauthorization. The request should include your name and **Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics identification number**.

Test Administration

The Registration Examination for Dietitians is administered at over two hundred thirty (230) ACT Centers® in the US, Puerto Rico, and Canada.

Scheduling, Changing, or Cancelling an Appointment

Scheduling, changing, or cancelling your appointment is completed on the CDR/ACT Web Portal.

Log in to your personal account using your user ID and password provided to you in your Eligibility e-mail.

Any changes to an appointment made through your online account must be completed **at least two (2) days before your current test appointment date**. See the chart below:

If your test appointment is on . . .	All changes must be made by 11:59 p.m. Central Time . . .
Saturday	Wednesday
Sunday	Thursday
Monday	Friday
Tuesday	Saturday
Wednesday	Sunday
Thursday	Monday
Friday	Tuesday

If you are rescheduling by **telephone**, you must call **during business hours at least two (2) business days in advance of your current test appointment**.

Anytime you schedule, change, or cancel an appointment, you will be notified by e-mail.

It is your responsibility to verify your receipt of the scheduling or cancellation e-mail and your testing appointment date, time, and location.

If you need assistance regarding your test appointment, please call 800.205-6366, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Central Time, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Late Arrivals

Candidates who arrive late for their testing appointment will not be seated. Candidates must contact the Commission on Dietetic Registration at 312.899.4859 to be reauthorized to test. Candidates will be required to complete another examination application and again pay the current examination application fee.

Admission to Examination

You must have your Scheduling Confirmation e-mail with you in order to be admitted to the ACT Center. In addition, each candidate must present a valid, US government-issued photo identification that has not expired (i.e., driver's license, state-issued identification card, or passport). The identification must reflect the candidate's current legal name and match the same information on the Scheduling Confirmation e-mail. Workplace, college, university, or non-US government identification will not be accepted.

All candidates are required to place all personal belongings, including cell phones, in secured storage facilities.

If extreme weather conditions prohibit travel to the test center, the candidate must contact ACT by telephone (319.337.1315) within three days after the scheduled examination date in order to be reauthorized to take the examination at no cost to the candidate. Examination appointments that the test center cancels due to weather or other emergency conditions may be rescheduled at no cost to the candidate.

Rules for the Examination

1. Do not share information relative to examination content with examination candidates, educators, and examination review course sponsors because it compromises the security, integrity, and reliability of the examination.
2. No books, papers, or other reference materials may be taken into the examination room.

3. A calculator and white erase board are provided to each exam candidate. Candidates are not permitted to bring their own calculator.
4. No questions concerning content of the examination may be asked during the examination period. The candidate should listen carefully to instructions given by the Proctor and should carefully read the examination tutorial directions.
5. No test materials, documents, or memoranda of any sort are to be taken from the test center.
6. No food or drink may be taken into the examination room. Candidates who have a medical reason for needing food or drink during the test session must provide documentation to ACT with the application. Requests will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.
7. Candidates must have the Proctor's permission to leave the room during the examination. Candidates will not be allowed additional time to make up for lost time.
8. The Proctor may dismiss a candidate from the examination for any of the following reasons:
 - if the name on the Scheduling Confirmation e-mail does not match the name on the US government-issued photo identification;
 - if a candidate's admission to the examination is unauthorized;
 - if a candidate creates a disturbance, is abusive or otherwise uncooperative;
 - if a candidate gives or receives help, or is suspected of doing so;
 - if a candidate attempts to remove test materials or notes from the test center;
 - if a candidate attempts to take the examination for someone else;
 - if a candidate has access to a cell phone or other electronic device during the testing session.
9. No visitors will be allowed at the test center.
10. Candidates are required to answer the current question before moving on to the next question. Candidates are not allowed to review previous questions or change previous responses.
11. Examination candidates must respond to the minimum number of examination questions (125) in order for the exam to be scored.

FEES AND REFUNDS

Examination Application Fee

The examination application fee is separate from the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics membership application fee, membership dues, and CDR registration maintenance fee.

The entire examination fee of \$200 **must** be paid at the time of registration. The fee must be charged to a VISA® or MasterCard® credit card.

Examination Application Fee Refunds

Examination application fees will not be refunded. Candidates may cancel the testing appointment and apply the examination application fee to a new testing appointment, provided:

- the candidate reschedules **two (2) business days** before the original scheduled testing appointment time;
- The candidate's eligibility to test period does not expire on or prior to the new testing appointment. If the eligibility expires before a new testing appointment can be made, the candidate must contact the Commission on Dietetic Registration to be reauthorized to test and pay another examination application fee.

Refunds are not provided for candidates who fail the examination.

REPORT OF RESULTS

Examinees will receive score results onscreen. As they leave the ACT Center test site following the completion of the examination, they will also receive a printed score report. The examinee score report will provide the examinee's scaled score required to pass the examination. All test results are subject to verification by CDR.

The examination is scored on a scale of 1–50. The scaled score required to pass the examination is always 25. However, the number of questions the examinee must answer correctly to obtain the scaled score of 25 varies from one examination to another. This is because each examination includes a different set of questions. Based on examinee responses over time, we know that some questions may be slightly easier or more difficult than others.

The computer adaptive test format evaluates the examinee's performance compared to the passing standard for the examination. The passing standard for the dietitian's examination was established with the implementation of the current test specifications.

In addition to monitoring the examinee's performance, the computer also monitors the difficulty level of the questions administered. If the examinee receives an

examination that is slightly more difficult, fewer questions need to be answered correctly to pass the examination. Conversely, if the examinee receives a slightly easier examination, more questions must be answered correctly to pass the examination. This process ensures that examinees are neither rewarded nor penalized because they took an easier or more difficult examination.

In order to protect the security and integrity of the Registration Examination for Dietitians, the Commission on Dietetic Registration does not release to examinees the examination questions or the correct answers.

Candidates Passing the Examination

Information relative to maintenance of your credential will be sent to you via e-mail to the e-mail address you provided on the application from the Commission on Dietetic Registration within three weeks after testing.

Examination Reauthorization

An examinee who fails the examination or whose eligibility has expired (See Eligibility to Test, page 26) must contact the Commission on Dietetic Registration in writing or by telephone to be reauthorized. An examination application will **not** be automatically sent to examinees who must be reauthorized. Examinees will be allowed to retest 45 days after taking the examination unsuccessfully.

Score Verification

Examinees may have their examination answers rechecked by completing the Score Verification Request form. To request a form, call 319.337.1315 or write to Dietetic Registration (82), ACT, PO Box 168, Iowa City, IA 52243-0168. The form and required fee of \$31.50 must be submitted to the Commission on Dietetic Registration at the following address:

Commission on Dietetic Registration
120 South Riverside Plaza
Suite 2000
Chicago, Illinois 60606-6995

or by fax 312.899.4772 (credit card payments only).

Appeals Procedure

The Appeals Panel of the Commission on Dietetic Registration evaluates requests to review adverse decisions. The applicant must submit a written petition to the Commission on Dietetic Registration, 120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000, Chicago, Illinois 60606-6995, within seven (7) calendar days after notification of an adverse decision.

A \$20 Appeal Review Fee will be required with every appeal submitted. Appeals submitted without the \$20 fee will not be considered by the CDR Appeals Panel.

Confidentiality

The Commission on Dietetic Registration will verify registration status to licensure boards, employers, and the public upon written or verbal request. Examination data and examination scores will not be released without written authorization from the candidate.

CONTENT OF THE EXAMINATION

The examination encompasses four domains: Food and Nutrition Sciences (12%); Nutrition Care for Individuals and Groups (50%); Management of Food and Nutrition Programs and Services (21%); and Foodservice Systems (17%). The examination includes questions that are intended to test at either the comprehension or application level. Comprehension questions require accurate understanding of concepts, principles, and procedures, and include the ability to translate information presented in different formats, such as graphs, tables, and formulas. Questions at the application level generally involve using information or knowledge to solve a problem, make a decision, select a course of action, and so on.

The examination is computer-based and variable length. Each examinee will be given a minimum of one hundred and twenty-five (125) questions; one hundred (100) scored questions and twenty-five (25) pretest questions. The maximum number of questions possible is one hundred and forty-five (145); one hundred and twenty (120) scored questions and twenty-five (25) unscored pretest questions. In order to receive a passing or a failing score report, the examinee **must** complete between 125–145 questions. During the examination, if the examinee does not respond to the minimum of 125 questions (for whatever reason), he/she will receive a failing score report. Pretesting is done to see how well items perform before they are used in the scored portion of any examination. The pretest questions cannot be distinguished from those that will be scored, so it is important that examinees answer all questions.

All of the questions on the examination are intended to be practice-related. Questions from any of the four content domains can appear anywhere in the examination; they are intermingled and do not appear in content order.

**REGISTRATION EXAMINATION FOR
DIETITIANS TEST SPECIFICATIONS
(EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2012)**

	Percent of Exam
I. Food and Nutrition Sciences	12%
A. Food Science and Nutrient Composition of Foods	
B. Nutrition and Supporting Sciences	
C. Education and Communication	
D. Research	
E. Management Concepts	
II. Nutrition Care for Individuals and Groups	50%
A. Screening and Assessment	
B. Diagnosis	
C. Planning and Intervention	
D. Monitoring and Evaluation	
III. Management of Food and Nutrition Programs and Services	21%
A. Function of Management	
B. Human Resources	
C. Financial Management	
D. Marketing and Public Relations	
E. Quality Improvement	
IV. Foodservice Systems	17%
A. Menu Development	
B. Procurement, Production, Distribution, and Service	
C. Sanitation and Safety	
D. Equipment and Facility Planning	
E. Sustainability	

The Registration Examination for Dietitians is designed to evaluate a dietitian's ability to perform at the entry level. The content domains and assigned weights reflect the results of the 2010 Dietetics Practice Audit. The Registration Examination for Dietitians study outline is located at

<http://cdmnet.org/PDFs/2011%20RD%20Study%20Outline%20Final%204%202%202011.pdf>

COMMISSION ON DIETETIC REGISTRATION

COMPUTER-BASED TESTING Q & A FACT SHEET

Q. Why did CDR choose to implement computerized testing for its entry-level examinations?

- A.** The Commission made the decision to implement computerized testing for the entry-level examinations because it recognized the many advantages it offers to examinees. These include:
- Flexible test administration dates; examinees can schedule testing throughout the year;
 - Retesting available forty-five days following the previous test date;
 - Unique examination based on each examinee's entry-level competence;
 - Score reports distributed to examinees as they leave the test site eliminating the six-week waiting period required with paper-and-pencil testing.

Q. What is the difference between computer-based testing (CBT) and computer adaptive testing (CAT)?

- A.** **Computer-based testing (CBT)** is an umbrella term used to describe several types of examinations administered by computer. These tests may range from conventional multiple-choice tests administered on a personal computer to virtual reality simulations.

Computer adaptive testing (CAT) is a specific type of computer-based testing. An adaptive test is commonly shorter than a traditional paper-and-pencil test. CAT also results in more measurement efficiency as it administers questions that provide the most important information about the examinee's competence.

Q. Where will the computerized examinations be administered?

- A.** CDR's testing agency, ACT, Inc., has developed its own testing network to administer the examinations at over two hundred thirty (230) approved test sites nationwide, located in universities and community colleges. More centers are scheduled to become available in the future. Candidates will receive the most updated test center listing at the time of test registration. Centers are subject to change.

Q. How often will the computerized examinations be administered?

- A.** The examinations will be administered year round at over two hundred thirty (230) ACT Centers nationwide. Test sites are open Monday through Friday with some centers also open on Saturdays.

Q. How much is the application fee?

- A.** The application fee for dietitians is \$200 and \$120 for dietetic technicians.

Q. Will a candidate's eligibility to test expire?

- A.** Yes. Candidates will have one year (365 days) from the day they receive their Eligibility e-mail from ACT to register, schedule, pay, and complete the test. Candidates that do not test within that one-year period must contact CDR to be reauthorized.

Q. How many questions will be on the Registration Examination for Dietitians?

- A.** The examination will be variable length. Each examinee will be given, **and must receive**, a **minimum** of one hundred and twenty-five questions: one hundred (100) scored questions and twenty-five (25) pretest questions **in order for the examination to be scored**. The **maximum** number of questions possible is one hundred and forty-five (145): one hundred and twenty (120) scored questions, and twenty-five (25) unscored pretest questions.

Q. How many questions will be on the Registration Examination for Dietetic Technicians?

- A.** The examination will be variable length. Each examinee will be given, **and must receive**, a minimum of one hundred and ten (110) questions; eighty (80) scored questions and thirty (30) pretest questions **in order for the examination to be scored**. The **maximum** number of questions possible is one hundred and thirty (130); one hundred (100) scored questions and thirty (30) unscored pretest questions.

Q. How often does the examination content outline (test specifications) change?

- A.** The content outline changes following the review and analysis of the Dietetics Practice Audit. The last audit was conducted in 2010. A new content outline took effect on January 1, 2012.

Dietitians

Domain I	Food and Nutrition Sciences	12%
Domain II	Nutrition Care for Individuals and Groups	50%
Domain III	Management of Food and Nutrition Programs and Services	21%
Domain IV	Foodservice Systems	17%

Dietetic Technicians

Domain I	Food and Nutrition Sciences	10%
Domain II	Nutrition Care for Individuals and Groups	34%
Domain III	Principles of Education and Training	7%
Domain IV	Foodservice Systems	22%
Domain V	Management	27%

Q. Why are there more pretest questions on the Registration Examination for Dietetic Technicians than the Registration Examination for Dietitians?

- A.** It is important that new questions be pre-tested for both examinations on a regular basis. The Registration Examination for Dietetic Technicians was only administered once per year until 1996 and coupled with a small examinee volume reduced the number of pretest questions administered each year. With computerized testing and year round administration, CDR can pretest more questions and increase the bank of questions.

Q. How much time will examinees have to complete the examination?

A. Examination testing appointments are three (3) hours, consisting of two and one-half (2 1/2) hours to take the examination and thirty (30) minutes to complete an introductory tutorial. The timer/clock will begin with question one of the examination. Examinees will have two and one-half (2 1/2) hours to complete the examination once the timer/clock begins.

Q. Will examinees be given an opportunity to become familiar with the computer before beginning the test?

A. Yes. Examinees will be allowed to take a tutorial on the computer prior to beginning the actual examination. This tutorial will include detailed instructions on taking the computerized examination and provide an opportunity to respond to practice questions.

Q. Will a calculator be provided at the test center?

A. Yes. A simple calculator is provided at each computer workstation. Examinees are not permitted to bring their own calculator. Each calculator should be examined and tested prior to the beginning of the examination.

Q. Will the test questions be in multiple-choice format?

A. Yes. The question format continues to remain the same as it had been on the paper-and-pencil examination.

Q. Will the test questions be numbered?

A. Yes. The examination questions will be numbered.

Q. Will examinees be allowed to change question responses, skip questions, or review question responses?

A. No. Each question will require a response in order to continue the examination process. Once an examinee answers a question and continues to the next question, the examinee is not permitted to review or change previous examination questions/responses.

Q. Will there be staff available at the test center in case the computer malfunctions?

A. Yes. Each test center will be staffed with personnel to assist examinees in the event of a computer malfunction. Examinees will be asked to wait approximately forty-five minutes while the computer problem is investigated. If it is not possible to resolve the problem in this timeframe, examinees will be rescheduled to test as soon as possible.

Q. How should I report scheduling problems?

A. If you experience difficulty during scheduling, please contact ACT at 319.337.1315.

Q. How should I report onsite testing problems?

A. If you experience technical difficulties during testing, please notify the Test Center personnel **immediately**.

Q. Will the Commission continue to make special accommodations for examinees with disabilities?

A. Yes. The Commission will continue to make reasonable accommodations for candidates with disabilities, provided appropriate medical documentation is submitted with the request for special testing accommodations. Refer to the *Handbook for Candidates* for specific documentation requirements.

Q. When will examinees receive their score report?

A. Score reports will be distributed to examinees as they leave the test center. Score reports will also be available in each examinee's account on ACT's website.

Q. Is the score report distributed by the testing center official?

A. No, the examination results are subject to verification by CDR.

Q. What information will be included on the examinee score report?

- A.** The examinee score report will include the examinee's scaled score and the scaled score required to pass the examination.

January 1, 2012, to December 31, 2017

Sub-Score Titles	Registration Examination for Dietitians	Registration Examination for Dietetic Technicians
Food and Nutrition Sciences	Domains I and II	Domains I, II, and III
Food Service Systems/Management	Domains III and IV	Domains IV and V

Q. Are there any other materials available to assist examinees in preparing to take the examination?

- A.** The Commission on Dietetic Registration publishes two study guides: *Study Guide for the Registration Examination for Dietitians, 9th edition*; and *Study Guide for the Registration Examination for Dietetic Technicians, 6th edition*. Both study guides include a comprehensive study outline, references and practice examination. The practice examination is provided in both hard copy and online. The online computer version has been designed to simulate the actual computerized examination.

Q. Will dietetics education program directors receive institutional score reports?

- A.** Yes. Program directors will receive institutional reports in February and August of each year. The institutional score report will include scaled scores for program graduates (examinee names will only be included if the examinee authorized release of scores with examinee name), percentile ranks, national mean scores, institutional examinee mean scores, and scaled subscores.

Q. Will the scaled score required to pass the examination change from the current minimum passing scaled score of twenty-five (25)?

- A.** The scaled score required to pass the examination will remain twenty-five (25) on a scale of one (1) to fifty (50).

- Q. How soon can unsuccessful examinees retake the registration examination?**
- A. Examinees will be allowed to retest forty-five (45) days after taking the examination unsuccessfully. They must contact the Commission on Dietetic Registration to be reauthorized as examination-eligible and pay the current examination application fee.
- Q. If the examinee decides to stop before responding to the minimum number of questions required to make a pass/fail decision, will the examinee's score be reported as a "fail?"**
- A. No. If an examinee does not respond to the minimum number of questions required to make a pass/fail decision, the examination will not be scored. The examinee will receive a form documenting their decision to quit the examination. The examinee must contact the Commission on Dietetic Registration to be reauthorized to test. No refunds will be provided.
- Q. Under what conditions must the examinee contact the Commission on Dietetic Registration to be reauthorized to test?**
- A. The examinee must contact the Commission to be reauthorized to test:
- when the examinee fails the examination;
 - when the examinee's one-year eligibility period ends;
 - when the candidate fails to cancel the testing appointment within the specified timeline;
 - when the candidate arrives late for the scheduled testing appointment;
 - when the candidate does not complete the examination during the test appointment.
- Q. How long after candidates complete registration eligibility requirements will it take to be authorized to test?**
- A. The entire process from the time the Commission on Dietetic Registration receives the eligibility application to the time the candidate receives the Eligibility e-mail is approximately three to four weeks.

Q. How often may examinees take the registration examination?

A. Once an examinee establishes eligibility to take the examination, there is no limit on the number of times an examinee may take the examination, provided the examinee waits the required forty-five (45) days between test dates. Please check with your state licensure board for state-specific requirements regarding retesting for licensure purposes.

Q. Why did CDR choose to give examinees different questions and a variable length test?

A. The Commission made the decision to administer a unique variable length test to examinees for two reasons:

- Reducing the number of examinees who “see” each question enhances test security and ultimately the credibility of both the RD and DTR credentials.
- Administering only the number of questions needed to accurately assess the individual examinee’s competence to practice results in a shorter testing time for all examinees: maximum of 2 1/2 hours versus the maximum of four hours and twenty minutes testing time with the paper-and-pencil test. The length of the test will be shorter for those examinees who clearly pass or clearly fail after responding to the minimum number of questions (110 questions for DTR and 125 questions for RD).

Q. Is a variable length test with different questions for each examinee equitable?

A. The computerized examinations are fair to all examinees for the following reasons:

- All examinees are given the opportunity to respond to the precise number of questions required to measure accurately their competence to practice at the entry-level. The minimum/maximum number of questions presented to examinees has been established based on actual simulation studies.
- All examinations are scored following the same passing standard.
- All examinations conform to the test specifications (content outline) for either the Registration Examination for Dietitians or the Registration Examination for Dietetic Technicians.

Q. Will the questions change in difficulty as I progress through the CBT exam?

A. No. The purpose of CDR's computerized examinations is to classify candidates as ready to practice or not ready to practice safely. Consequently, the item selection process chooses items that are most discriminating at the cut score. If a candidate is borderline, then all items will seem difficult.

Q. Does the difficulty level of the computer-based exam become more difficult if a candidate takes it more than one time?

A. No. The CDR registration exams are computer-based exams and there is nothing in the administration algorithm that identifies a candidate as a repeat candidate. The nature of the items or questions that a candidate receives is not based on the number of times the exam is taken.

If you analyze item performance after the fact, it is true that repeat candidates do not perform as well as the total population, but that would be true if we were to look only at failing candidates. When repeat candidates are mixed in with the total population, the high performance of the majority covers over the performance of the failing candidates.

Q. Have the computer-based registration examinations been pilot-tested?

A. In preparation for the implementation of computer-based testing for the entry-level registration examinations, CDR's testing agency, ACT, Inc., conducted simulation studies of both the dietitian and dietetic technician question pools. These studies were designed to validate that the questions would provide the information required to make a valid pass/fail decision on a computer-based examination.

Computer-based examinations have been used by many professions for both licensing and certification since the early 1990s. Based on the experience of these professions, the psychometric community recognizes computer-based and paper-and-pencil examinations as comparable.

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