

Registration Examination for Dietitians

Handbook for Candidates

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**READ THIS HANDBOOK COMPLETELY
AND KEEP FOR REFERENCE.**

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Commission on Dietetic Registration, the credentialing agency for the American Dietetic Association, 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 examination application from the testing service. Candidates who established eligibility previously must request an examination application. 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 CDR/ADA identification number. **The examination application expires one year from the date of processing. Expired applications or photocopies of applications will not be accepted.**

CODE OF ETHICS

All candidates applying to take the Registration Examinations for Dietitians or Dietetic Technicians must sign the following agreement that upon passing 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

An application for the exam can be completed either by paper or on the web. The paper application was included with this handbook. To access the web, use the web address on the application.

Read this *Handbook for Candidates* completely before completing either the paper application or the web application.

APPLICATION—PAPER

- I. Read the instructions located at the top of the “APPLICATION FOR THE REGISTRATION EXAMINATION FOR DIETITIANS.”
- II. Complete the following information requested on the application. Please print clearly.

SECTION A—Personal Information

If your current name and/or address is different from what is printed on the top left corner of your application form, complete the appropriate line(s) in this section as follows:

1. If your name is different, **print your changes clearly.** Print your last name first, then your first name and middle initial. For example, Smith, John B.
2. Your CDR/ADA identification number is above your name and address. Please check this number with the identification number assigned to you in correspondence from CDR/ADA. If there is a discrepancy, clearly print the number you have been provided above the CDR/ADA identification number printed on your application. **When contacting CDR, please refer to this number.**

ID Number Security: Please keep this unique identification number in a secure place, and notify CDR immediately at 800/877-1600, ext. 5500, if it is lost or stolen. CDR receives numerous reports of fraudulent use of registration identification numbers by unqualified individuals.

3. If your address is different, **print** on the line(s) above the word(s) “New Address,” “City,” “State,” and/or “ZIP Code” clearly. Provide only that part of your address that has changed. If your address has changed completely, be sure to provide all information requested concerning your new address.
4. In addition, you must notify CDR of your name and/or address change. Please submit your change(s) in writing to CDR via mail or fax (see back cover for CDR contact information).

SECTION B—Eligibility/Experience

Select the **one** pathway that best explains how you met the eligibility requirements to take the Registration Examination for Dietitians and place a check mark in the box that precedes it. Pathway explanations are listed on pages 6–7.

Indicate the appropriate program code number (Coordinated Program, Dietetic Internship Program, or Approved Preprofessional Practice Program). If you have questions regarding the type of program you completed, please refer to the *Verification Statement* of program completion provided by your Program Director. Refer to the Code Numbers list that starts on page 8. **SPECIAL CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN TO INDICATE THE CORRECT CODE NUMBER.** Following the code number, indicate the name, city, and state of the institution and the date the program was completed.

If your Coordinated Program, Dietetic Internship Program, or Approved Preprofessional Practice Program is not listed, leave the code number blank, but be sure to fill in the name of the institution and the city and state in which it is located in the space provided.

Candidates authorizing ACT to release their individual examination score, by name, should indicate permission by placing a check mark in the appropriate box.

Aggregate scores are released to Program Directors whether a candidate checks “yes” or “no.” Program Directors receive the candidate names with scores if “yes” is checked.

SECTION C—Didactic (Baccalaureate) Programs

This section should be completed by the Internship Program graduates only.

Print the code number and the name, city, and state of the institution where the Didactic Program in Dietetics was verified. Use the Code Numbers list that starts on page 8 to complete its section. **SPECIAL CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN TO INDICATE THE CORRECT CODE NUMBER.** In the space to the right, indicate the year in which the Didactic Program in Dietetics was verified.

SECTION D—Gender

Indicate your gender by placing a check mark in the appropriate box preceding “Male” or “Female.”

SECTION E—Contact Information

Sign your application on the line above the word “Signature.” Provide all applicable contact information (telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address) where you can be reached during the day.

SECTION F—Payment

Indicate your method of payment by placing a check mark in the appropriate box preceding “Check or Money Order” or “Credit Card.” You have the option of charging the application fee(s) to a VISA® or MasterCard®. If you select this option, please complete Section F.

- III. If you did not charge your fee(s) to a credit card, please prepare and enclose a check or money order for \$200.00 U.S. dollars payable to:

DIETETIC REGISTRATION

- IV. Please check that the application is complete. Incomplete applications will be returned.
- V. Mail the completed application and fee of \$200.00 U.S. dollars to:

Dietetic Registration (82)
ACT
P.O. Box 168
Iowa City, IA 52243-0168

You will receive the *Authorization to Test Letter* and test center list following receipt and processing of your payment. This may take 2 to 3 weeks.

APPLICATION—ONLINE REGISTRATION

To access online registration, go to the web address on your paper application. You must use a VISA or MasterCard credit card to register on the web and you cannot request special accommodations. If you have any difficulty in registering on the web or obtaining your *Authorization to Test Letter*, contact ACT at 319/337-1315 between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Central Time, Monday through Friday.

- I. Read the instructions on the welcome page. Enter your CDR/ADA identification number and password from your application. Both are located on your paper application above your name and address. **Your password is case sensitive.**
- II. Complete the following information requested on the application.

SECTION A—Personal Information

If your current name and/or address is different from what is shown on this page or is printed on your paper application, correct only the line that is wrong.

Your CDR/ADA identification number is also printed on the application. Please check this number with the identification number assigned to you in correspondence from CDR. If there is a discrepancy, contact CDR immediately. When contacting CDR, please refer to this number.

ID Number Security: Please keep this unique identification number in a secure place, and notify CDR immediately at 800/877-1600, ext. 5500, if it is lost or stolen. CDR receives numerous reports of fraudulent use of registration identification numbers by unqualified individuals.

In addition, you must notify CDR of your name and/or address change. Please submit your change(s) in writing to CDR via mail or fax (see back cover for CDR contact information).

SECTION B—Eligibility/Experience

1. Select the **one** pathway that best explains how you met the eligibility requirements to take the Registration Examination for Dietitians. Pathway explanations are listed on pages 6–7.
2. Indicate the appropriate program code number (Coordinated Program, Dietetic Internship Program, or Approved Preprofessional Practice Program). If you have questions regarding the type of program you completed, please refer to the *Verification Statement* of program completion provided by your Program Director. Refer to the Code Numbers list that starts on page 8. **SPECIAL CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN TO INDICATE THE CORRECT CODE NUMBER.** Following the code number, indicate the month and year the program was completed.
3. Candidates authorizing ACT to release their individual examination score, by name, should indicate permission by marking “Yes.” If you do not want to authorize release, mark “No.”

Aggregate scores are released to program directors whether a candidate marks “Yes” or “No.” Program directors receive the candidate names and scores if “Yes” is marked.

SECTION C—Didactic (Baccalaureate) Programs

This section should be completed by the Internship Program graduates only.

1. Indicate the appropriate program code number. Refer to the Code Numbers list that starts on page 8. **SPECIAL CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN TO INDICATE THE CORRECT CODE NUMBER.** Following the code number, indicate the year the program was completed.
2. Those candidates who wish to authorize ACT to release their individual scores, by name, to a Didactic Program in Dietetics Program Director should indicate their permission by marking in the appropriate box.

SECTION D—Gender

Indicate your gender by marking the appropriate box preceding “Male” or “Female.”

SECTION E—Contact Information

Provide all applicable contact information (telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address) where you can be reached during the day.

Assurance of Confidentiality: You must indicate acceptance or you will not be able to complete your registration.

SECTION F—Payment

To register online, you must supply a valid credit card number. You have the option of charging the application fee(s) to a VISA or MasterCard. Once you have completed your online registration, your *Authorization to Test Letter* will be available for you to download. There will also be a link for you to access the test center list. You will not receive your letter in the mail. If you have difficulty in obtaining your *Authorization to Test Letter* or Test Center List, contact ACT at 319/337-1315 between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Central Time, Monday through Friday.

REGISTRATION EXAMINATION ELIGIBILITY ROUTE CODE NUMBERS

Candidates eligible to take the Registration Examination on the basis of completing either a Coordinated Program, Dietetic Internship Program, or Approved Preprofessional Practice Program should use the appropriate code number for their program starting on page 8. (Individuals completing an Internship with master's program component, please list internship code.)

1. **Coordinated Program in Dietetics**

Academic program in a U.S. 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 900 hours of supervised practice experience.

2. **Dietetic Internship Program**

Provides minimum of 900 hours of supervised practice experience to meet the competencies for entry-level dietitians. The program follows completion of the Didactic Program in Dietetics and a Baccalaureate degree.

3. **Approved Preprofessional Practice Program (Discontinued)**

Provides for the achievement of performance requirements for entry-level dietitians through a minimum of 900 hours of supervised practice. The program follows completion of the 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 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 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.

Also for Internship Programs, use the code numbers from the following list to specify the institution where the Didactic Program in Dietetics was verified.

REGISTRATION EXAMINATION PROGRAM CODE NUMBERS 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)

Approved Preprofessional Practice Programs

3145 Oakwood College, Huntsville (closed 8/2001)

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

Approved Preprofessional Practice Programs

3156 University of Alaska-Anchorage, Anchorage (closed 2002)

ARIZONA

Internship Programs

2303 Arizona State University at the Polytechnic Campus, 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

2330 Maricopa County, Dept. of Public Health, Tempe

2277 Carondelet St. Mary's Hospital, Tucson

2053 University Medical Center Support Services, Tucson

Approved Preprofessional Practice Programs

3158 Focus on Nutrition, Phoenix (closed 6/2003)

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

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

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

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

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 01/2009)

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

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
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

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

Approved Preprofessional Practice Programs

3098 Danbury Hospital, Danbury (closed 10/2001)

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 U.S. 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

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 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
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

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

Approved Preprofessional Practice Programs

- 3142 Purdue University—Calumet, Hammond (closed 2002)

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

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)
- 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 (closing 6/2009)
- 2297 Tulane University, New Orleans
- 2203 Louisiana Tech University, Ruston
- 2361 Nicholls State University, Thibodaux

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 System, 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

Approved Preprofessional Practice Programs

3133 Sodexo Health Care Services, Distance Education Program, Lexington (closed 2000)
 3133 Sodexo Health Care Services, Lexington (formerly 3164), Waltham

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 College, Framingham

MEXICO**Coordinated Programs**

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

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)

Approved Preprofessional Practice Programs

3079 University of Michigan Hospitals, Ann Arbor (closed 4/2001)
 3114 Andrews University, Berrien Springs (closed 10/2001)

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 Medical Center, 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 The College of Saint Catherine, Saint Paul
 6207 University of Minnesota, Saint Paul

MISSISSIPPI**Coordinated Programs**

1495 Delta State University, Cleveland

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
 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

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

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

Approved Preprofessional Practice Programs

- 3069 Sodexo Health Care Services—Metropolitan New York, East Rutherford (closed 5/2000)
 3161 Montclair State University, Upper Montclair (closed 2002)

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

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 (closing 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
 2217 Queens College—CUNY, Flushing
 2223 Cornell University—Ithaca, Ithaca
 2357 North Shore—Long Island Jewish 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

Approved Preprofessional Practice Programs

- 3115 Brooklyn College, Brooklyn (closed 2002)
 3135 ARAMARK Healthcare Support Services—Metropolitan New York, Jamaica (closed 9/2002)
 3069 Sodexo Health Care Services—Metro New York, New York

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
 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

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

Didactic Programs in Dietetics

7201 Appalachian State University, Boone
7210 The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill
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

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

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
2231 Marywood University, Scranton
2332 Marywood University, Distance Education Dietetic Internship, Scranton (closed 01/2008)
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

Internship—Graduate Programs

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

Approved Preprofessional Practice Programs

3139 Sodexo Health Care Services, Allentown (closed 2002)

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

Approved Preprofessional Practice Programs

3106 South Dakota University Affiliated Program, The University of South
Dakota, Vermillion (closed 8/2001)

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

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

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

Approved Preprofessional Practice Programs

3162 Lamar University, Beaumont (closed 8/2001)
3144 Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches (closed 4/2001)

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

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

1506 Washington State University—Spokane, Spokane

1516 University of Washington, Seattle

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

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

TEXAS

Dietetic Internship Programs

2352 U.S. Military Consortium—Wilford Hall Medical Center (Air Force), San Antonio

Dietetic Internship Graduate Programs

2383 U.S. 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

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 1990. 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.*

Requests for accommodations and your documentation must be submitted with your examination application. Do not ask your physician or other professional, or any other individual or agency providing documentation, to send materials directly to ACT.

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.
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-III or WJ-III), 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-III (WAIS-III), Woodcock-Johnson III: Tests of Cognitive Abilities, and the Kaufmann Adolescent and Adult Intelligence Test.
- 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 Psychoeducational Battery III: Tests of Achievement and the Scholastic Abilities Test for Adults). 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 hyperactivity;
- 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 conditions: Apply as far as possible in advance so that sufficient time will be allowed to make the proper arrangements. It is your responsibility to notify ACT of the need for accommodations at the time you apply for the examination.

ACT may refuse accommodations to a candidate who fails to provide adequate notice accompanied by complete documentation as set forth above.

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

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.

TEST CENTER INFORMATION

Authorization to Test

Eligible candidates are authorized to test for a one-year period beginning on the date of authorization indicated in the *Authorization to Test Letter* sent to the candidate by CDR's testing agency, ACT, following receipt and processing of your payment or by downloading the letter by online registrants. Authorization expires when the:

- candidate takes the examination;
- one-year authorization period ends;
- candidate fails to cancel the testing appointment within the specified timeline (see page 29, Canceling an Appointment);
- candidate arrives late for the scheduled testing appointment (see page 30, Late Arrivals);
- candidate does not complete the examination during the test appointment (see page 30, Rules for the Examination);
- candidate fails to present the *Authorization to Test Letter* at the time of the scheduled test appointment. *Authorization to Test Letters* cannot be faxed to, or downloaded at, the ACT Center;
- candidate fails to present valid, 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 application. The request should include name, reason for retesting, and **CDR/ADA identification number, (see page 2, II, Section A, 2)**. The authorization number should not be confused with the CDR/ADA identification number. Expired applications or photocopies of applications will not be accepted. Candidates are required to complete the application and pay the current application fee to be reauthorized to test.

Test Administration

The Registration Examination for Dietitians is administered at over two hundred and twenty-five (225) ACT Centers™ in the U.S. and Puerto Rico. A current list of test centers and telephone numbers will be included with the *Authorization to Test Letter* or is available online after successful web registration.

Appointment Scheduling

The *Authorization to Test Letter* includes instructions for scheduling your testing appointment at the ACT Centers. The phone number provided is only valid for scheduling appointments.

A confirmation e-mail will be sent to you immediately after your testing appointment has been scheduled. If you do not receive the e-mail, please call 800/205-6366 to confirm your testing appointment. It is your responsibility to verify your receipt of the confirmation e-mail.

Changing an Appointment

You must have your *Authorization to Test Letter* to provide your authorization number when changing an appointment.

Candidates may change the scheduled testing appointment by contacting the **ACT** scheduling center at 800/205-6366 at least **2 days/48 business hours** (Monday through Friday only) in advance of the scheduled testing appointment **time**.

A confirmation e-mail will be sent to you immediately after your testing appointment has been changed. If you do not receive the e-mail, please call 800/205-6366 to confirm your testing appointment. It is your responsibility to verify your receipt of the confirmation e-mail.

Canceling an Appointment

You must have your *Authorization to Test Letter* to provide your authorization number when canceling an appointment.

Candidates may cancel an appointment by notifying the **ACT** scheduling center at 800/205-6366 at least **2 days/48 business hours** (Monday through Friday only) in advance of the scheduled testing appointment **time**. Candidates must speak with an ACT representative to validate the cancellation of an appointment. Cancellations left on voice mail or e-mail will not be honored/accepted. Candidates who do not keep their scheduled testing appointment and do not cancel their appointment within the established deadline (see page 29, Changing an Appointment) will forfeit the examination application fee.

and authorization to test. 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.

A cancellation e-mail will be sent to you immediately after your testing appointment has been cancelled. If you do not receive the e-mail, please call 800/205-6366 to confirm the cancellation. It is your responsibility to verify your receipt of the cancellation e-mail.

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

The Authorization to Test Letter must be presented in order to gain admission to the ACT Center.

Authorization to Test Letters cannot be faxed to, or downloaded at, the ACT Center. In addition, each candidate must present valid, 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 *Authorization to Test Letter*. Workplace, college, or university 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 is provided to each candidate. Examinees 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 directions in the examination tutorial.
5. No test materials, documents, or memoranda of any sort are to be taken from the examination room.
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 *Authorization to Test Letter* does not match the name on the 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.
9. No visitors will be allowed at the test center.
10. Examination candidates must see and respond to the minimum number of examination questions (125) in order for the exam to be scored.

FEEES AND REFUNDS

Examination Application Fee

The examination application fee is separate from the ADA membership application fee, membership dues, and CDR registration maintenance fee.

The entire examination fee of \$200.00 **must** be paid at the time of registration. The fee must be charged to a VISA or MasterCard, or be in the form of a check or money order, payable in U.S. dollars and drawn on a

bank from the United States. Website application accepts credit cards only. Make check or money order payable to:

DIETETIC REGISTRATION

Do not send cash.

Applications accompanied by incorrect fees will be returned.

The **complete** application and fee must be submitted by the designated postmark deadline date as described under Examination Application on page 1.

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 contacts the **ACT** scheduling center at 800/205-6366 at least **2 days/48 business hours** (Monday through Friday only) before the scheduled testing appointment **time**;
- the candidate authorization to test period does not expire on or prior to the new testing appointment. If the authorization to test period 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 authorization has expired (See Authorization to Test, page 28) 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 score verified in writing by completing the Score Verification Request form. To request a form, call 319/337-1315 or write to Dietetic Registration (82), ACT, P.O. Box 168, Iowa City, IA 52243-0168. The form and required fee of \$30.00 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 \$20.00 Appeal Review Fee will be required with every appeal submitted. Appeals submitted without the \$20.00 fee will not be considered by the CDR Appeals Panel.

Confidentiality

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

CONTENT OF THE EXAMINATION

The examination encompasses five domains: Food and Nutrition Sciences (12%); Nutrition Care Process and Model—Simple and Complex Conditions (40%); Counseling, Communication, Education, and Research (10%); Foodservice Systems (17%); and Management (21%). 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 complete 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. The sample questions starting on page 39 of this *Handbook* are at the same level as those that appear in the examination. Questions from any of the five 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, 2007)

	Percent of Exam
I. Food and Nutrition Sciences	12%
A. Food Science and Nutrient Composition of Foods	
B. Nutrition and Supporting Sciences	
II. Nutrition Care Process and Model—Simple and Complex Conditions	40%
A. Nutrition Screening and Assessment	
B. Nutrition Diagnosis	
C. Nutrition Intervention (Planning and Intervention)	
D. Nutrition Monitoring and Evaluation	
III. Counseling, Communication, Education, and Research	10%
A. Assessment and Planning	
B. Implementation and Evaluation	
C. Research	
IV. Foodservice Systems	17%
A. Menu Planning	
B. Procurement, Production, Distribution, and Service	
C. Sanitation and Safety	
D. Facility Planning	
V. Management	21%
A. Human Resources	
B. Finance and Materials	
C. Marketing Products and Services	
D. Functions and Characteristics	
E. Quality Improvement	

The Registration Examination for Dietitians is designed to evaluate a dietitian's ability to perform at the entry level. The examination content domains and topics are outlined below. The content domains and assigned weights reflect the results of the 2005 Dietetics Practice Audit, Employer Focus Groups/Interview Data, and professional consensus.

DOMAIN I—FOOD AND NUTRITION SCIENCES (12%)

TOPIC A—Food Science and Composition of Foods

1. Food science
2. Composition of food

TOPIC B—Nutrition and Supporting Sciences

1. Principles of normal nutrition
2. Principles of physiology and biochemistry as related to nutrition

DOMAIN II—NUTRITION CARE PROCESS AND MODEL—SIMPLE AND COMPLEX CONDITIONS (40%)

TOPIC A—Nutrition Screening and Assessment

1. Nutrition screening
2. Nutrition assessment of individuals
3. Nutrition assessment of populations

TOPIC B—Nutrition Diagnosis

1. Relationship between nutrition diagnosis and medical diagnosis
2. Data sources and tools for nutrition diagnosis
3. Problem definition (diagnostic labels)
4. Etiologies (cause/contributing risk factors)
5. Signs and symptoms (defining characteristics)
6. Critical thinking skills
7. Documentation

TOPIC C—Nutrition Intervention

1. Nutrition care for health promotion and disease prevention for individuals
2. Medical nutrition therapy for individuals
3. Implementation and promotion of national dietary guidelines for populations
4. Development of nutritional programs and services for populations

TOPIC D—Nutrition Monitoring and Evaluation

1. Monitoring progress and updating previous care
2. Measuring outcome indicators
3. Evaluation outcomes
4. Relationship with outcomes measurement systems and quality improvement
5. Determining continuation of care
6. Critical thinking
7. Documentation

DOMAIN III—COUNSELING, COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION, AND RESEARCH (10%)

TOPIC A—Assessment and Planning

1. Components of the educational plan
2. Educational readiness assessment

TOPIC B—Implementation and Evaluation

1. Implementation
2. Evaluation of educational outcomes
3. Documentation

TOPIC C—Research

1. Types of research and research design
2. Statistical evaluation, interpretation and application

DOMAIN IV—FOODSERVICE SYSTEMS (17%)

TOPIC A—Menu Planning

1. Types of menus
2. Menu development

TOPIC B—Procurement, Production, Distribution, and Service

1. Procurement, receiving, and inventory management
2. Principles of quantity food preparation and processing
3. Food production control procedures
4. Production systems
5. Distribution and service

TOPIC C—Sanitation and Safety

1. Sanitation and food safety
2. Safety

TOPIC D—Facility Planning

1. Facility layout
2. Equipment specifications and selection

DOMAIN V—MANAGEMENT (21%)

TOPIC A—Human Resources

1. Recruitment and selection
2. Employment process and procedures

TOPIC B—Finance and Materials

1. Budget development/resource allocation
2. Financial status: monitoring, evaluation, and control

TOPIC C—Marketing Products and Services

1. Marketing analysis and strategies
2. Pricing strategies

TOPIC D—Functions and Characteristics

1. Management functions
2. Management characteristics
3. Professional standards of practice

TOPIC E—Quality Improvement

1. Regulatory guidelines (e.g., federal, JCAHO, other)
2. Process and implementation
3. Outcomes management systems

SAMPLE QUESTIONS

The following sample questions are illustrative of those found in the examination.

1. The first step in assuring a quality program for clinical dietetics practice is to:
 - A. compare the productivity of the clinical staff to national means.
 - B. monitor the quality of the documentation in the medical record.
 - C. review current standards of practice.
 - D. develop a tool to measure the amount of work done by the clinical dietitians.
2. Which of the following special supplemental nutrition programs requires that participants be at nutritional risk?
 - A. Head Start Program
 - B. Food Stamp Program
 - C. Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)
 - D. Special Supplemental Foods Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)
3. Which of the following microorganisms are the primary cause of foodborne illness?
 - A. Viruses
 - B. Bacteria
 - C. Protozoa
 - D. Parasites
4. A diet containing 3000 mg sodium has how many mEq of sodium?
 - A. 69
 - B. 77
 - C. 117
 - D. 130

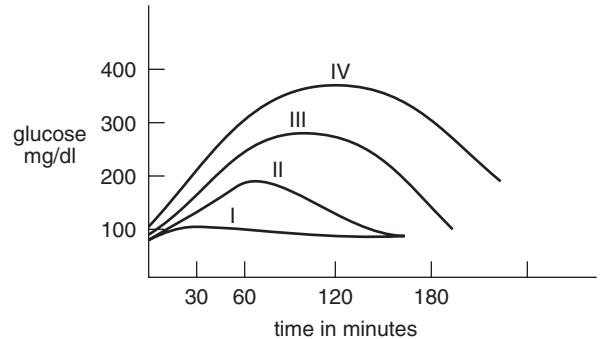
5. Consider the following meal:

- 3 oz baked skinless chicken breast
- 1/2 cup green beans
- 1/2 cup baked potato
- 1 slice bread
- 1/2 cup strawberries
- 2 tsp margarine
- 1 cup 2% milk
- 1/2 cup ice cream (vanilla)

How many grams of fat are in this meal?

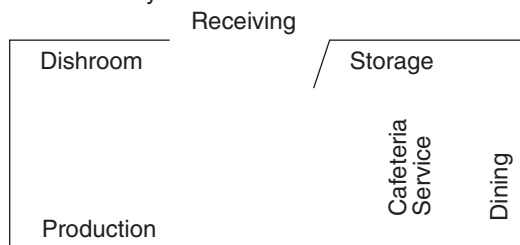
- A. 20
 - B. 30
 - C. 40
 - D. 50
6. Which of the following responses illustrates the interviewing strategy of reflection?
- A. "Yes, go on."
 - B. "You said you'd like to reduce..."
 - C. "I experienced a similar situation."
 - D. "How do you perceive your body image?"
7. Which of the following dishmachine cleaning schedules is most appropriate?
- A. Drain tanks and rinse machine daily.
 - B. Drain tanks and rinse machine after each meal.
 - C. Drain tanks after each meal and rinse machine daily.
 - D. Drain tanks after each meal and rinse machine weekly.
8. All of the following factors are considered when planning employee schedules. Which is the most important factor?
- A. Amount of working space available per person
 - B. Skill of available personnel
 - C. Number of available personnel
 - D. Production requirements of the operation
9. End products of bacterial fermentation of malabsorbed carbohydrate are:
- A. lactic acid, alpha ketoglutaric acid and carbon dioxide
 - B. lactic acid, hydrogen and methane
 - C. short chain fatty acids, hydrogen and carbon dioxide
 - D. carbon dioxide, hydrogen and pyruvate

10. Which of the glucose tolerance curves shown below is most likely to represent lactase deficiency in a patient who has just ingested 50 g of lactose?



- A. I
 - B. II
 - C. III
 - D. IV
11. What are the most important data to consider when forecasting the amount of food to be prepared?
- A. Holiday and weekend volume
 - B. Skill levels of employees
 - C. Food-item selection statistics
 - D. Weather conditions and temperatures
12. A dietitian lobbying for specific legislative action should:
- A. prioritize issues and be prepared to compromise on less important issues.
 - B. work alone rather than risk having a difference of opinion with members of a coalition.
 - C. know the exact goals for the bill and work diligently to ensure that all issues are included.
 - D. speak with the legislator to learn more about the issues before expressing an opinion.

13. Which of the following changes in design would improve the efficiency of resource flow in this food-service facility?



- A. Reverse storage and dishroom areas
 B. Reverse production and storage areas
 C. Reverse storage and service areas
 D. Reverse dishroom and production areas
14. Before recommending nutrition management of a patient with end stage renal disease who is on hemodialysis, the dietitian needs information about the:
- A. serum potassium level.
 B. specific gravity of the urine.
 C. patient's usual intake of carbohydrates.
 D. patient's intake of iron before hospital admission.
15. Costs in which area are most likely to be evaluated first following an announcement of a budget reduction?
- A. Food
 B. Labor
 C. Equipment and maintenance
 D. General nonfood supplies
16. Five hundred people become ill with acute gastroenteritis 4–6 hours after eating custard pie. Which bacteria is the most likely cause?
- A. *Campylobacter jejuni*
 B. *Vibrio parahaemolyticus*
 C. *Staphylococcus aureus*
 D. *Listeria monocytogenes*

ANSWER KEY

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| 1. C | 5. B | 9. C | 13. A |
| 2. D | 6. B | 10. A | 14. A |
| 3. B | 7. B | 11. C | 15. B |
| 4. D | 8. D | 12. A | 16. C |

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COMMISSION ON DIETETIC REGISTRATION COMPUTER-BASED TESTING 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, has developed their own testing network to administer the examinations at over two hundred twenty-five (225) 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 twenty-five (225) ACT Centers nationwide. All test sites are open Monday through Friday with some centers also open on Saturdays. Eligible candidates will be instructed to call a toll free number to schedule an appointment to take the examination.

Q. How much is the application fee?

A. The application fee for dietitians is \$200.00 and \$120.00 for dietetic technicians.

Q. Will the examination application, sent with the Handbook for Candidates by ACT, expire?

A. The examination application expires one year after it is issued by ACT. (Refer to page 1 of the *Handbook for Candidates, Examination Application*.) If you do not complete and return the examination application within this one-year time period, you must contact the Commission on Dietetic Registration to request a new application.

Q. Does the authorization to take the examination expire?

A. Yes. The CDR Authorization to Test expires after the test is taken or one (1) year after authorization, whichever occurs first. This means that if examinees are unsuccessful they must contact CDR in order to take the test again. It is important to note that some employers and licensure boards may establish shorter limits on the testing authorization period.

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 2000. The current content outline took effect in September 2002. (Domain I: Food and Nutrition—15%; Domain II: Clinical and Community Nutrition—40%; Domain III: Education and Research—7%; Domain IV: Food and Nutrition Systems—18%; Domain-V: Management—20%). The 2005 Dietetics Practice Audit has recently been completed. New examination specifications will take effect January 1, 2007; dietitian (Domain I: Food and Nutrition Sciences—12%; Domain II: Nutrition Care Process and Model—Simple and Complex Conditions—40%; Domain III: Counseling, Communication, Education and Research—10%; Domain IV: Foodservice Systems—17%; Domain V: Management—21%) dietetic technician (Domain I: Food and Nutrition Sciences—8%; Domain II: Nutrition Care Process and Model—Simple Conditions—40%; Domain III: Counseling, Education and Training—7%; Domain IV: Foodservice Systems—21%; Domain V: Management—24%).

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. Examinees will be allowed a three- (3) hour appointment to take the examination and 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. The examinee will have the option to hide the clock during the examination.

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 pencil-paper examination. (Refer to the *Handbook for Candidates* sample questions.)

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.

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. In addition, scaled subscores for the Food and Nutrition Sciences (Domains I, II, and III) and Foodservice Systems/Management (Domains IV and V) areas will be reported.

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

A. The Commission on Dietetic Registration publishes two study guides; *Study Guide for the Registration Examination for Dietitians*; and *Study Guide for the Registration Examination for Dietetic Technicians*. Both study guides include a comprehensive study outline, references and practice examination. The practice examination is provided in both hard copy and CD-Rom versions. The CD-Rom has been designed to simulate the actual computerized examination. Refer to the back cover for CDR contact information.

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 for Food and Nutrition Sciences (Domains I, II, and III) and Foodservice Systems/Management (Domains IV and V).

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 authorization 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 *Authorization to Test Letter* is 3 to 6 weeks dependent on first-class mail delivery and prompt candidate response to the examination application mailing. This can be expedited if registering online. Please refer to the February 1999 *JADA* article entitled *Computer based testing: A new experience in 4 easy steps*, for a description of the application process. (<http://www.cdrnet.org/PDFs/Feb%201999%20PE.pdf>)

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-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 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 cover over the performance of the few.

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, 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-pencil examinations as comparable.

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