



MS Nutrition and Dietetics Coordinated Program

College of Arts and Sciences

About the Program

Overview

The MS Nutrition and Dietetics Coordinated Program provides students with the opportunity to expand their knowledge of nutrition and enhance their skills as nutrition educators, researchers and leaders in diverse areas of practice. Registered Dietitian Nutritionists work as educators in clinical, community, athletic performance and food service settings with diverse groups of clients. Improving motivational, problem solving, clinical and communication skills is essential in order to assist clients in meeting their nutritional goals. This program meets the requirements of the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND). Students who successfully complete the program will earn an M.S. in Nutrition and Dietetics and a verification statement that will allow the students to sit for the Registration Examination for Dietitians.

Program Outcomes

At the conclusion of the program, students will be able to:

- demonstrate an advanced level of knowledge of topics related to nutrition, food, and health.
- integrate theory, knowledge and skills to become an effective problem solver.
- communicate effectively in writing and through oral presentations.
- Become leaders in the profession of dietetics.

Admission Requirements

1. Possession of a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university, with an undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
2. A cumulative overall GPA of 3.0 or higher from ALL colleges and universities attended.
3. Successful completion with a grade of C or higher of the equivalent undergraduate courses: NFS 2270 Human Nutrition, NFS 3390 Nutrition Education and Counseling, NFS 4460 Management of Food and Nutrition Services, NFS 4960 Experimental Foods and Research, CHM 1110 General Chemistry (lecture and lab), CHM 2210 Organic Chemistry (lecture), CHM 3610 Biochemistry (lecture), BIO 2250 Basic Human Physiology, BIO 2270 Microbiology for the Health Sciences, SOC 1020 Sociology, MTH 2350 Probability and Statistics, and MGT 2360 Principles of Management.
4. Resume.
5. Two letters of recommendation from current employer or professional associates familiar with the applicant's work or college performance.
6. Submission of a statement of purpose or research interests related to nutrition and dietetics.
7. Interview with the Director of the Graduate Programs in Nutrition.

Program Requirements (43 s.h.)

Nutrition & Wellness Core (15 s.h.)

NFS 5030	Interdisciplinary Perspectives in Gerontology (AGE/ PUBH)	3 s.h.
NFS 5320	Food Behaviors and Motivations	3 s.h.
NFS 5870	Sustainable Foods and Public Health	3 s.h.
NFS 6350	Obesity and Chronic Disease	3 s.h.
NFS 6410	Pediatric Nutrition	3 s.h.

Dietetics Track (11 s.h.)

NFS 5220	Nutrition Assessment	2 s.h.
NFS 5250	Medical Nutrition Therapy I	3 s.h.
NFS 5420	Medical Nutrition Therapy II and Professional Issues	3 s.h.
NFS 6260	Nutrient Metabolism	3 s.h.

Supervised Practice (14 s.h.)

NFS 5930	Supervised Practice: Community I	2 s.h.
NFS 6930	Supervised Practice: Community II	3 s.h.
NFS 5932	Supervised Practice: Food and Management	2 s.h.
NFS 5931	Supervised Practice: Clinical I	3 s.h.
NFS 6931	Supervised Practice: Clinical II	2 s.h.
NFS 6932	Supervised Practice: Special Project	2 s.h.

Capstone Research (3 s.h.)

NFS 6955	Capstone I	1 s.h.
and		
NFS 6975	Capstone II	<u>2 s.h.</u>
		43 s.h.

Admissions Information:

Applications and transcripts are to be submitted online:

<https://apply.madonna.edu/apply/>

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The Graduate School at Madonna University offers personalized attention with a student faculty ratio of 1:12. Students can apply for admission to the program before March 1 for summer and June 1 for fall. Applications submitted after the deadlines will be considered if vacancies exist.

Tuition

See the current course schedule for tuition rates. Madonna University alumni may qualify for reduced tuition rates through the alumni tuition benefit, where graduate degree courses are taken at undergraduate tuition rates. For more information go to:

<https://www.madonna.edu/tuition-and-financial-aid/tuition-and-fees/>

Transfer Students

Students may transfer up to 6 semester hours of graduate credit, with departmental approval. All Supervised Practice Courses must be taken at Madonna University.

The Application Process

To enhance application processing, the Graduate School has adopted an online application. Prospective students can apply online at

<https://apply.madonna.edu/apply>

Create an account and follow the step-by-step instructions for completing your application and submitting your transcripts, goal statement, resume, and letters of recommendation.

Graduate Assistantships

Graduate assistantships are awarded as financial support for eligible students. Nutrition graduate students have served as assistant coaches in a variety of sports and worked in the tutoring center and other academic units. For more information on current available assistantships go to:

<https://www.madonna.edu/admissions/graduate/graduate-assistantship/>

Scholarships

Madonna University offers several scholarship opportunities for graduate students. For information on this scholarship and other financial awards, visit:

<https://www.madonna.edu/admissions/graduate/scholarships-and-awards/>