



DIETETIC TECHNICIAN PROGRAM MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Dietetic Technician Program at SUNY Morrisville is to provide a quality post-secondary education in the field of nutrition & dietetics leading to an Associate of Applied Science degree and the entry-level requirements to practice as a nutrition and dietetics technician, registered. Graduates of the program will meet requirements for immediate employment and/or transfer to upper division programs in nutrition & dietetics or other allied fields of interest.

DIETETIC TECHNICIAN PROGRAM GOALS AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Goal 1 – Graduates will be ready for immediate employment in the nutrition and dietetics field.

- 100% of students who complete the program will have achieved a satisfactory grade of C or better for all measures of entry-level competencies.
- At least 80% of all entering students will complete the program/degree requirements within three years of starting (150% of the program length)
- 75% of the program graduates will take the CDR credentialing exam for nutrition and dietetic technicians within 12 months of program completion.
- The program's one-year pass rate (graduates who pass the registration exam within one year of first attempt) on the CDR credentialing exam for nutrition and dietetic technicians is at least 70%.
- Of graduates who seek employment, 80% are employed in nutrition and dietetics or related fields within 12 months of graduation.

- Graduate entry-level practice skills will be rated as average or above by 80% of the employers of program graduates.
- 80% of past graduates will rate the program as satisfactory or better when surveyed on their preparation for employment and/or further education.

Goal 2 – Graduates will be prepared for transfer to nutrition and dietetics baccalaureate programs.

- 100% of the current formal articulation agreements with 4-year institutions will be maintained for transfer of our students to their dietetic programs.
- 90% of graduating seniors will express satisfaction with the nutrition courses they have completed in the DT program with respect to the adequacy of their knowledge and skill building.
- 90% of those with a GPA ≥ 2.75 who apply will be accepted to a baccalaureate program within one year of graduation from MSC to become a registered dietitian.
- 80% of those accepted to a four-year dietetic program will complete the degree in three years.

NOTE: Outcome measures for the program goals are available upon request to Joan Nicholson, Program Director at nicholj@morrisville.edu .

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