

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Nutrition & Dietetic Department and the Dietetic Technician Program at Morrisville State College is to provide a quality post-secondary education in the field of Nutrition & Dietetics leading to an applied associate degree in the area of Dietetic Technician. This educational program will meet student needs for career preparation and/or transfer to upper division programs in nutrition & dietetics or other allied fields of interest.

DIETETIC TECHNICIAN GOALS AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES

GOAL 1 - Educate students for immediate employment in the nutrition and dietetics field and provide a Dietetic Technician program that is responsive to the State's labor needs for emerging food and technologies.

- 100 % of students who complete the program will have achieved a satisfactory grade of C or better for all measures of entry-level competencies.
- 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 - Provide education in applied nutrition and dietetics to students that is compatible with transfer to baccalaureate programs.

- 100% of the current formal articulation agreements with 4 year institutions will be maintained for transfer of our students to these programs

- 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 program will complete the degree in three years.

GOAL 3 *Provide assessment and counseling to all students and provide support and resources to those who may need to access preparatory courses to develop the basic skills in communications, computation, problem solving, and time management that are needed to perform satisfactorily in entry level course work.*

- 90% of full time students will attain a 2.0 GPA at the interim grade period of six weeks each semester.
- 90% of full time students will attain a 2.0 GPA at the end of each semester. At-risk students will be identified within the first semester.
- 100% of students at risk in math and science will be identified after their admission but prior to their first semester in the DT program.
- 90% of the seniors will express satisfaction with the nutrition courses they have completed in the DT program with respect to the support of their knowledge and skill building.
- At least 80% of program students will complete the degree/program requirements within three years.

NOTE: Outcome measures for program goals will be provided upon request.