



The School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences

Coordinated Undergraduate Medical Dietetics

The School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences (SHRS) is a School in The Ohio State University College of Medicine. The School is nationally recognized as a leader in practice-based health care education. For more than five decades, the School has prepared students to achieve personal and professional excellence, as they pursue an exciting career in healthcare.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Dietitians are nutrition experts. They assess nutritional status and recommend foods for fitness, health, and the treatment of diseases. They also are prepared to manage nutrition therapy of patients, to assist in administration of food service systems in hospitals and other health care settings, and to provide nutrition services in community settings. The Medical Dietetics program is fully accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetic Education of The American Dietetic Association. The curriculum includes all knowledge and practice skills required to become a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist and to obtain a license in Ohio.

ADMISSION & APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Applicants must meet the following minimum requirements and submit requested materials to be considered for admission. The application deadline for AUTUMN 2018 is January 31st, 2018. The professional program will begin August 21, 2018.

- 1. An electronic application is available online gpadmissions.osu.edu which must be completed and submitted with all required supplemental documents, if applicable.
2. A minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA is required in all coursework taken at all accredited institutions. All post-secondary coursework is considered. Although a 2.5 GPA is the minimum, the average GPA is higher.
3. Completion of all prerequisite courses or their equivalents with a C- or higher by the end of summer term, 2018.
4. Shadowing of two dietitians is highly recommended.
5. A personal interview will be offered to competitive applicants. Knowledge of the profession and personal career goals will be evaluated at this time.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The minimum total hours to graduate from The Ohio State University is 120 semester hours. The Medical Dietetics program requires a minimum of 143* hours barring special circumstances. This includes all general graduation requirements, general education curriculum, program prerequisites, and professional curriculum. Remedial, conditional, and repeated coursework do not count towards the minimum hours. *number does not include survey

GENERAL EDUCATION (18 SEMESTER HOURS THAT DO NOT DOUBLE COUNT AS PREREQUISITE OR PROFESSIONAL COURSES)

SHRS students must complete all General Education (GE) before graduating from the University. Some of these requirements overlap with program prerequisites or professional curriculum courses. The required coursework is listed below:

Students are encouraged to double count the global and social diversity GE requirements with other GEs.

Table with 4 columns: Writing (6 hours), Math (4-5 hours), Art (3 hours), Historical Study or Culture & Ideas (3 hours); Data Analysis (3 hours), Literature (3 hours), Science (10 hours), Social Diversity in the US (0-3 hours); Social Science (6 hours), Global Studies (0-6 hours), Historical Study (3 hours), Open Options (6 hours)

PROGRAM PREREQUISITES (56-59 SEMESTER HOURS INCLUDING COURSES THAT DOUBLE COUNT AS GE COURSES GE AND PROGRAM COURSES**)

Students who wish to apply to the Medical Dietetics program must have completed all of the program prerequisite courses or their equivalent with a C- or higher by the end of summer semester, 2018.

Please note that Math 1148 can not be taken concurrently with Chemistry 1210.

Program Prerequisites or Equivalents (once admitted, 2 years of schooling)

Table listing prerequisites: Math 1148 or higher GE, Chemistry 1210 GE, Human Physiology (EEOB) 2520 GE, Medical Dietetics 1100 recommended, Biology 1113 GE, Chemistry 1220 GE, Statistics 1350 or 1450 GE, Medical Dietetics 3100**, English 1110.01 GE, Psychology 1100 GE, Anatomy 2300.04 GE, Medical Dietetics 4500**, Human Nutrition 2310, HTHRHS 2500, Microbiology 4000, Biochemistry Options: Biological Chemistry & Pharmacology (Bio Pharm) 3311 & 3312 [or] Biochemistry 2210 & Chemistry 2310

PROFESSIONAL CURRICULUM (68 SEMESTER HOURS)

The professional curriculum is completed in sequence and there is **no provision for part-time or evening-only enrollment**. The curriculum includes all knowledge and practical skills required for professional credentialing. The program includes a minimum of 1200 hours of supervised practice in acute care, long term care, and in the community agencies. Students must have transportation and may have to drive significant distances for supervised practice.

SUGGESTED SCHEDULING PLAN

The following plan demonstrates how students may complete the Medical Dietetics program in nine semesters including one summer term. There is not much flexibility in when a student may take courses. It is assumed that students following this plan who are admitted to the program will begin professional coursework autumn semester of year three.

SCHEDULE IS BASED ON A TRADITIONAL 4 YEAR COURSE OF STUDY. COURSE OFFERINGS ARE A TENTATIVE PLAN AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4
Autumn HTHRHC 1100 (1) Math 1150* (5) Chemistry 1210 (5) Psychology 1100 (3) Total (14)	Autumn Anatomy 2300.04 (4) BioPharm 3311** (3) Human Nutrition 2310 (3) HTHRHC 2500 (3) GE (3) Total (16)	Autumn BEGIN PROFESSIONAL COURSEWORK Medical Dietetics 4910 (3) (Nutrition Care Process I) Medical Dietetics 4911 (3) (Nutrition Care Process II) Medical Dietetics 4912 (2) (Nutrition Care Process III) Medical Dietetics 4900 (3) (Nutrition Assessment) Human Nutrition 2314 (3) (Fundamentals of Food) Human Nutrition 3506 (3) (Nutrition in the Life Cycle) Total (17)	Autumn Medical Dietetics 5289 (9) (Dietetics Professional Practice II) HTHRHC 5300 (3) (Healthcare Mgt. and HR) Medical Dietetics 5800 (3) (Adv. Nutr. Therapy in Complex Disease States) GE (3) Total (18)
Spring Chemistry 1220 (5) English 1110.01 (3) Biology 1113 (4) Stat 1350 or 1450 (3) <i>Optional</i> Medical Dietetics 1100 (1) Total (15-16)	Spring Microbiology 4000 (4) Med Diet 3100 (3) BioPharm 3312** (3) EEOB 2520 (3) Medical Dietetics 4500 (3) (Community Nutrition) Total (16)	Spring Medical Dietetics 4923 (3) (Nutrition Care Process IV) Medical Dietetics 4924 (3) (Nutrition Care Process V) Medical Dietetics 4925 (2) (Nutrition Care Process VI) HTHRHC 5900 (3) (Research) Medical Dietetics 4700 (1) (Research in Dietetics) Medical Dietetics 4200 (3) (Medical Dietetics Management) Total (15)	Spring Medical Dietetics 5389 (9) (Dietetics Professional Practice III) Medical Dietetics 5850 (3) (Adv. Mgt and Current Topics) GE (3) GE (3) Total (18)
*Although MATH 1148 is required, a math placement score of "M" or "L" would result in placement in MATH 1150 & permit CHEM 1210 to be taken in Autumn.	** Students may choose to take Biochemistry 2210 & Chemistry 2310 in place of BioPharm 3311-3312.	Summer Medical Dietetics 5189 (9) (Dietetics Professional Practice I) GE (3) GE (3) Total (15)	

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

It is strongly recommended that prospective students schedule an appointment with their pre-HRS advisor. If you are not a pre-HRS student, you must complete an online major information session prior to meeting with a pre-HRS advisor. Further information can be accessed [online](#) under the future students tab. Prospective students such as baccalaureate degree-holders, transfer, international, or those that have time commitment issues such as student athletes and band members are strongly encouraged to meet with a pre-HRS advisor to discuss special circumstances which may apply.

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