



**Robert Stempel College
of Public Health
& Social Work**

Bachelor of Science in Dietetics & Nutrition

INFORMATION FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS

Didactic Track: Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD)

The Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) offers the necessary academic experience towards becoming a Registered Dietitian. This track is designed for individuals who wish to complete their dietetic internship following their attainment of a Bachelor of Science degree in Dietetics and Nutrition. Students must complete an accredited dietetic internship after the didactic program to be eligible to take the Registration Examination for Dietitians. Completion of this track culminates in the issue of a verification statement that allows students to apply to an accredited dietetic internship. There are a variety of internships throughout the United States, though not many in South Florida. Admission is very competitive; generally good grades and volunteer/work experience are essential.

In order to become a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN), you must follow these required steps:

1. Earn a minimum of a graduate degree from an accredited dietetics program. A master's degree is required to be eligible for the RDN exam.
2. Complete an ACEND accredited supervised practice requirement. In addition, individuals must complete at least 1,000 hours of supervised practice to gain real-world experience and apply knowledge learned in the classroom to the context of a variety of work settings.
3. Pass a national exam for RDNs. Once you complete your degrees and supervised practice, you may schedule to take CDR's Registration Examination for Registered Dietitians to become a credentialed as registered dietetics nutritionist. This is called "RDN eligibility," meaning you have completed the requirements to become eligible to take the national exam.
4. Meet requirements to practice in your state. Many states have regulatory laws (i.e. licensure) for food and nutrition practitioners. All states accept the RDN credential for state licensure purposes.
5. Stay up to date in dietetics through continuing education. After successfully passing the national exam and earning the credential, RDNs maintain ongoing professional development in order to stay up to date on the latest research, recommendations and best practices.

Nutrition Science Track

The nutrition science track emphasizes the study of the basic sciences – biology and chemistry – and uses this foundation to build the nutrition science core curriculum. Students explore food, human physiology, metabolism and understand the complex relationship between nutrients/non-nutrients in foods, optimal health and disease. This track is designed for students who wish to pursue careers in nutrition sciences, medical/dental sciences or allied health sciences after graduation. Completion of this track does NOT culminate in the issue of a verification statement.

Admissions Requirements for Transfer Student

Students seeking to transfer to FIU must follow regular University Transfer Student admission procedures. Students are encouraged to complete all Common Prerequisite courses found in Program Requirements as part of their 60 credit hours of lower-division Associate of Arts coursework prior to transferring to FIU.

In order to declare a major in Dietetics and Nutrition, transfer students are evaluated on meeting the following requirements for admission:

- (1) Associate of Arts degree from a Florida public institution or completion of FIU's University Core Curriculum;
- (2) Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.7;
- (3) Grade of "C" or higher earned in the following courses:
 - [CHM1045](#)/[CHM1045L](#) General Chemistry 1 & Lab *
 - [CHM1046](#)/[CHM1046L](#) General Chemistry 2 & Lab *
 - [CHM2200](#)/[CHM2200L](#) Survey of Organic Chemistry
 - [BSC2010](#)/[BSC2010L](#) General Biology & Lab *
 - [MCB2000](#)/[MCB2000L](#) Introductory Microbiology
 - [HUN2201](#) Principles of Nutrition *

**Indicates minimum prerequisite course completion for admission.*

Please visit the Department of Dietetics and Nutrition website at

<http://stempel.fiu.edu/academics/dietetics-and-nutrition/index.html>, visit us at the Modesto Maidique Campus (MMC), Academic Health Center 5 (AHC5-305), or you can contact us at 305-348-2878.

DEPARTMENT OF DIETETICS AND NUTRITION
Bachelor of Science in Dietetics & Nutrition Prerequisites*

FIU	Miami Dade College	Broward College	Palm Beach State College
<p>*CHM 1045 + CHM 1045L AND *CHM 1046 + CHM 1046L <i>General Chemistry I & II, w/labs</i></p> <p><i>(Enrollment in CHM 1045 based on FIU Math Placement (ALEKS) score OR "C" or higher in College Algebra OR "C" or higher in CHM 1025)</i></p>	<p>*CHM 1045 + CHM 1045L AND *CHM 1046 + CHM 1046L <i>General Chemistry & Quantitative Analysis I & II, w/labs</i></p>	<p>*CHM 1045 + CHM 1045L AND *CHM 1046 + CHM 1046L <i>General Chem I & II, w/labs</i> OR CHM 1040 AND CHM 1041+CHM 1045L AND CHM 1046+CHM 1046L <i>General Chem A, B & II w/labs</i></p>	<p>*CHM 1045 + CHM 1045L AND *CHM 1046 + CHM 1046L <i>General Chem I & II, w/labs</i></p>
<p>CHM 2210 + CHM 2210L AND CHM 2211 + CHM 2211L¹ <i>Organic Chemistry I & II w/labs</i></p> <p>----- OR CHM 2200 + CHM 2200L <i>Survey of Organic Chemistry w/lab</i></p>	<p>CHM 2210 + CHM 2210L AND CHM 2211 + CHM 2211L¹ <i>Organic Chem I & II w/labs</i></p> <p>----- OR CHM 2200 + CHM 2200L <i>Survey of Organic Chem w/lab</i></p>	<p>CHM 2210 + CHM 2210L AND CHM 2211 + CHM 2211L¹ <i>Organic Chem I & II w/labs</i></p>	<p>CHM 2210 + CHM 2210L AND CHM 2211 + CHM 2211L¹ <i>Organic Chem I & II w/labs</i></p>
<p>*BSC 1010 + BSC 1010L <i>General Biology w/lab</i></p>	<p>*BSC 2010 + BSC2010L <i>Principles of Biology I w/lab</i></p>	<p>*BSC 2010 + BSC 2010L <i>Intro. to Biology I w/lab</i></p>	<p>*BSC 1010 + BSC 1010L <i>Principles of Biology I w/lab</i></p>
<p>MCB 2000 + MCB 2000L <i>Introduction to Microbiology w/lab</i></p>	<p>MCB 2010 + MCB2010L <i>Microbiology w/lab</i></p>	<p>MCB 2010 + MCB2010L <i>Microbiology w/lab</i></p>	<p>MCB 2010 + MCB2010L <i>Microbiology w/lab</i></p>
<p>INP 2002 Industrial/Organization Psychology OR PSY 2012 Introduction to Psychology</p>	<p>INP 2390 Psychology of Work OR PSY 2012 Introduction to Psychology</p>	<p>PSY 2012 General Psychology</p>	<p>PSY 2012 General Psychology</p>
<p>ANT 3451 Anthropology of Race & Ethnicity OR COM 3461 Inter-racial/cultural Communication OR SYP 3000 The Individual & Society</p>	<p>No Transfer Credit - Must be taken at FIU</p>		
<p>ECO 2013 Principles of Macroeconomics</p>	<p>ECO 2013 Principles of Economics (Macro)</p>	<p>ECO 2013 Principles of Macroeconomics</p>	<p>ECO 2013 Principles of Macroeconomics</p>
<p>STA 2122 Intro to Statistics</p>	<p>STA 2122 Statistical Application</p>	<p>STA 2023 Statistics</p>	<p>No equivalent course at PBSC</p>
<p>*HUN 2201 Principles of Nutrition</p>	<p>*HUN 1201 Essentials of Human Nutrition</p>	<p>*HUN 1202 Essentials of Nutrition & Diet Therapy</p>	<p>*HUN 1201 Elements of Nutrition</p>

¹Take if Pre-Med

***Course required for admission**

~ **These additional courses will grant you credit for Upper Division courses in the Dietetics Program** ~

<p>PCB 3702 <i>Intermediate Physiology</i> OR HSC 3549 <i>Clinical Physiology for Health Professionals</i></p>	<p>BSC 2085 + BSC 2085L AND BSC 2086 + BSC 2086L <i>Human Anatomy & Physiology I & II w/labs</i></p>	<p>BSC 2085 + BSC 2085L AND BSC 2086 + BSC 2086L <i>Human Anatomy & Physiology I & II w/labs</i></p>	<p>BSC 2085 + BSC 2085L AND BSC 2086 + BSC 2086L <i>Anatomy & Physiology I & II w/labs</i></p>
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