

# Master of Science in Dietetics and Nutrition

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**Distribution of credits: Nutrition Core (9 credits); Research (10-13 credits); Public Health Core (3 credits); Electives (6-9 credits – see elective section) \* = 31 credit hours**

**I. NUTRITION CORE (9 CREDITS) – Take at least 3 of the 4 courses. One course must be in MICRONUTRIENTS and one course must be in MACRONUTRIENTS.**

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	SEMESTER	GRADE	COMMENTS/APPROVAL
HUN 5245	Nutrition and Biochemistry (3)			
HUN 6307	Carbohydrates and Lipids (3)			
HUN 6327	Proteins (3)			
HUN 6335	Functions of Vitamins in Human Nutrition (3)			
HUN 6355	Minerals in Human Nutrition (3)			

**II. RESEARCH – 10 - 13 CREDITS**

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	SEMESTER	GRADE	COMMENTS/APPROVAL
STA 6166 PHC 6052 STA 6176	Statistical Methods in Research (3) <u>OR</u> Biostatistics I (3) <u>OR</u> Biostatistics (3)			
DIE 6568	Research I (3)			
DIE 6937	Graduate Seminar in Dietetics & Nutrition (1)			
DIE 6576 <u>OR</u> DIE 6567	Project in Dietetics and Nutrition (6) <u>OR</u> Research II (3)			Permission from Major Professor is required to register for Project.

**III. PUBLIC HEALTH CORE (3 CREDITS)**

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	SEMESTER	GRADE	COMMENTS/APPROVAL
PHC 6500	Foundation of Public Health Practice (3)			

**IV. \*RECOMMENDED ELECTIVES - 9 CREDITS (If selecting Research II – DIE 6567) / 6 Credits (If selecting Project – DIE 6576)**

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	SEMESTER	GRADE	COMMENTS/APPROVAL
DIE 5247	Trends in Therapeutic Nutrition (3)			
DIE 6128	Dietetic Administration & Management (3)			
DIE 6259	Management of Nutrition Services (3)			
DIE 6285	Pregnancy and Lactation (3) – (Fall)			Pediatric Nutrition Certificate Course
DIE 6286	Pediatric Obesity – (3) – (Spring)			Pediatric Nutrition Certificate Course
DIE 6287	Pediatric Dysfunctional Eating – (3) - (Summer)			Pediatric Nutrition Certificate Course
DIE 6368	Advanced Techniques in Dietetics Practice (3)			
DIE 6368L	Advanced Techniques in Dietetics Practice Lab (1)			
DIE 6906	Readings Dietetics/Nutrition (1-3)			
DIE 6907	Individual Study Diet/Nutr (1-3)			
DIE 6915	Supervised Research (1-3)			
DIE 6929	Specialized Short Course in Dietetics and Nutrition ((1-3)			
DIE 6935	Special Topics in Dietetics (3)			
DIE 7566	Research Concepts Development (3)			
HUN 5123	Ethnic Influences on Nutrition and Food Habits (3)			
HUN 5195	International Nutrition: Problems, Policies & Planning (3)			
HUN 5245	Nutritional Biochemistry (3)			As long as it is <b>not used</b> as a Nutrition Core
HUN 5611	Nutrition Education in the Community (3)			
HUN 5621	Food, Nutrition and Communication (3)			
HUN 6248	Sports Nutrition (3)			
HUN 6254	Drug and Nutrient Interaction (3)			
HUN 6255	Nutrition in Wellness Programs (3)			
HUN 6257	Physio/Psychology of Food Intake (3)			
HUN 6266	Nutritional Assessment (3)			
HUN 6295	Contemporary Issues in Food Nutrition (3)			
HUN 6307	Carbohydrates and Lipids (3)			As long as it is <b>not used</b> as a Nutrition Core
HUN 6327	Proteins (3)			As long as it is <b>not used</b> as a Nutrition Core
HUN 6335	Functions of Vitamins (3)			As long as it is <b>not used</b> as a Nutrition Core
HUN 6355	Minerals in Human Nutrition (3)			As long as it is <b>not used</b> as a Nutrition Core

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	SEMESTER	GRADE	COMMENTS/APPROVAL
HUN 6415	Pediatric Nutrition (3) - (Fall)			Pediatric Nutrition Certificate Course
HUN 6416	Advanced Pediatric Nutrition (3) - (Spring)			Pediatric Nutrition Certificate Course
HUN 6417	Nutrition for the High Risk Infant & Newborn in Intensive Care Unit (3) – (Summer)			Pediatric Nutrition Certificate Course
HUN 6435	Nutrition and Aging (3)			
HUN 6522	Public Health Nutrition (3)			
FOS 6236	Food Toxicology and Food Safety (3)			
FSS 6535	Computer Assisted Food and Nutritional Services Management (3)			
GEY 5006	Foundations in Gerontology for Health Professionals (3)			
GEY 5600	Physical Change and Healthy Aging (3)			
ANT 6469	Graduate Medical Anthropology (3)			

**IVa. \*REQUIRED ELECTIVES FOR OPTIONAL SPECIALIZATIONS - 9 CREDITS of specific electives as outlined below**

- (i) **Sports Nutrition Specialization:** Students will choose some of the courses from the Dept. of Teaching and Learning (Kinesiology and Exercise Science).

**Electives for Sports Nutrition – Required – Minimum of 9 credits:**

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	SEMESTER	GRADE	COMMENTS/APPROVAL
HUN6248	<b>Sports Nutrition (3)</b>			Core Course - Required
APK 5111	<b>Advanced Exercise Physiology (3)</b>			Core Course - Required
PET 5216	Sport and Exercise Psychology (3)			
PET 5368	Exercise, Diet and Weight Management (3)			
PET 5693	Athletic Performance Assessment & Exercise Prescription			
PET 5391C	Comprehensive Conditioning of Elite Athletes			

- (ii) **Infant & Childhood Nutrition Specialization:** Students will choose some of the courses from the Graduate Certificate in Pediatric Nutrition.

**Electives for Infant & Childhood Nutrition – Required – Minimum of 9 credits:**

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	SEMESTER	GRADE	COMMENTS/APPROVAL
HUN 6415	Pediatric Nutrition (3)			Basic required course
HUN 6416	Advanced Pediatric Nutrition (3)			
DIE 6285	Pregnancy and Lactation (3)			
DIE 6286	Pediatric Obesity (3)			
DIE 6287	Pediatric Dysfunctional Eating (3)			

## Master of Science (M.S.) in Dietetics and Nutrition Dietetic Internship (DI)

This route is designed for those students who wish to become a registered dietitian (RD). Upon admission into the master's program, your advisor will work with you to tailor an individualized program of study according to your background, interests and goals. Your advisor will combine graduate and undergraduate courses to meet the requirement for eligibility to apply for the DI. The DI will require a separate application toward the end of graduate coursework.

- Students seeking an RD must complete additional credit courses including a 32-week Clinical Practicum under the authorization and supervision of the Director of the Dietetic Internship.
- In order to apply for the Clinical Practicum students must have completed all of their coursework in accordance with didactic requirements of ACEND (Accredited Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics) and graduate program requirements.
- The deadline for application is the first day of fall semester or the first day of spring semester. Please refer to the University academic calendar for specific date.
- Please visit our website at <http://stempel.fiu.edu> and select Academics – Dietetics and Nutrition – Graduate Programs – Registered Dietitian and/or Dietetic Internship for additional information and application retrieval.
- Please be aware that *application and selection* to the DI Program is an internal process – you do not need to apply through the University Graduate Admissions Office or computer matching (DICAS).
- International students** admitted to the DI Program must complete their internship through **Optional Practical Training (OPT)** authorization. To ensure timely processing and avoid delays in starting the program, international students are required to apply for OPT **at least 90 days prior to the start of their supervised practice rotations**. For guidance and support with the OPT application process, students are encouraged to contact the DI Program Director or visit the [FIU Office of International Student & Scholar Services](#).

PREFIX	COURSE DESCRIPTION	SEMESTER	GRADE	COMMENTS/APPROVAL
DIE 6946	Advanced Dietetics Practice I (6)			
DIE 6947	Advanced Dietetics Practice II (6)			

### **Graduation Requirements:**

1. Satisfy all University requirements for the Master of Science in Dietetics and Nutrition and, if applicable, the Dietetic Internship (DI) requirements.
2. Complete a minimum of 31 semester hours of graduate level coursework in approved program. This does not include pre-requisites.
3. Complete RD eligibility requirements if applicable.
4. Complete Project Requirements or Research II Course– *depending upon the option selected.*
5. Earn a minimum overall GPA of 3.00 in all graduate coursework completed. Note that **courses that are repeated are not eligible for the forgiveness policy.**
6. Students may **not receive more than 2 grades of “C+.”**
7. Resolve incomplete or in progress grades prior to graduation. Resolve failing grades of required coursework prior to graduation.
8. Meet with Academic Advisor to assure graduation prior to completing graduation application.
9. Graduate Students must be registered for graduate course(s) for the semester in which they are seeking graduation.
10. Apply for graduation online at <http://onestop.fiu.edu/> (See University Catalog for most current deadlines).

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