

DIETETIC INTERNSHIP



Mission

The mission of the UCA Master of Science Dietetic Internship (MSDI) is to maintain a high-quality program in dietetics, dedicated to assisting interns with development of needed skills for the varied roles of the dietitian in today's society, and which ultimately culminates in registration eligibility with the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND).

Program Description

- Beginning mid-May and concluding mid-August of the next year
- 1200 hours of supervised practice
- 15-month combined graduate program

Why choose UCA?

- Supervised practice in two summers allows for completion of Master's Degree with additional courses taken in fall and spring semesters
- Community concentration for those who desire careers in nontraditional settings including, but not limited to, public health, school nutrition, Cooperative Extension and corporate wellness

Admissions Requirements

Eligibility

- Completion of Baccalaureate Degree within past five years or evidence of recency of educational preparation



- Statement of Verification regarding completion of Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) or Intent to complete form from an accredited DPD
- Work experience in nutrition related area, under the supervision of a Registered Dietitian
- Minimum overall 3.0 GPA (on a 4.0 scale), preferred overall 3.5 GPA with 3.0 science GPA (on a 4.0 scale)
- Successful applicants typically score at least 300 on the GRE composite (150 verbal and 150 quantitative or above), and a 3 or above on writing
- UCA graduate school enrollment is required of dietetic interns; information on graduate school admission can be found at uca.edu/graduateschool/

Program Accreditation

The UCA dietetic internship is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, a specialized accrediting body recognized by the Council on Post-secondary Accreditation and the United States Department of Education.

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