

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Dietitians are highly qualified professionals who are recognized experts on food and nutrition. Careers available to the dietitian are varied and include:

COMMUNITY NUTRITION

- Physical fitness and wellness centers
- Outpatient centers
- Centers for the elderly and developmentally disabled
- High risk maternity centers
- Home care
- Programs for underdeveloped countries e.g. Peace Corps, United Nations

HEALTH CARE

- Hospitals and long-term care facilities
- Private practice
- Specialized patient care, e.g., pediatrics, patients with diabetes, kidney and heart disease
- Pharmaceutical industry

FOODSERVICE MANAGEMENT

- Schools, colleges and universities
- Hospitals and long-term care facilities
- Mental health facilities
- Day care centers
- Rehabilitation centers
- Corporate accounts

EDUCATORS

- Dietetics students and interns
- Medical, dental and nursing students

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

- Nutrition research laboratories
- Medical centers
- Business organizations
- Government agencies

Immaculata is a fully accredited Catholic liberal arts university, located near Frazer, Pennsylvania, about 20 miles west of Philadelphia. Proximity to Philadelphia and Wilmington provides access to many cultural, academic, medical and recreational facilities. The University's close working relationship with the surrounding community offers excellent resources for practica and professional experiences.

The Didactic Program is granted accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education of the American Dietetic Association, 102 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000, Chicago, IL 60606-6995, a specialized accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education.

Phone Number: 1-800-877-1600 Ext. 5400

Website: <http://www.eatright.org/cade/>

To have your transcripts evaluated for program acceptance and for further information contact:

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COLLEGE OF LIFELONG LEARNING NUTRITION-DIETETICS PROGRAM



The mission of the Didactic Program in Dietetics is to prepare students to become contributing and effective members of the dietetics profession within the context of a liberal arts education encompassing the values of ethical integrity, service, justice and peace.

PROGRAM GOALS

Upon successful completion of the Didactic Program in Dietetics, students will be able to:

- evidence logical and critical thought, independent study, integration of knowledge and appreciation of life-long learning;
- demonstrate the ability to communicate effectively in a multicultural society, respecting diversity.
- exhibit values of personal integrity and ethical conduct.

OUTCOMES

- Satisfactory performance in classes.
- Participation in extracurricular activities.
- Acceptance into an internship or attainment of a relevant job.
- Successful completion of an internship.
- Earning a passing grade on the registration exam..
- Proficiency in a job.

The Didactic Program in Dietetics is designed to provide the student with a curriculum which includes medical nutrition therapy, community nutrition, and foodservice management. The program will, in addition, offer some professional experiences in these areas.

*Dietetic Internships are competitive (50% placement in 2010). Excellent grades and work experience are recommended.

Upon successful completion of the program, students can apply to a dietetic internship. To be eligible to take the Registration Examination for dietitians (RD) an internship is required after completing DPD requirements and receiving verification.

REQUIREMENTS FOR BECOMING A REGISTERED DIETITIAN (RD)

1. Completion of a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institute.
2. Completion of the Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD)
3. Placement in and completion of a Dietetic Internship
4. Passing the national Registration Examination for Registered Dietitians.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS INTO MAJOR

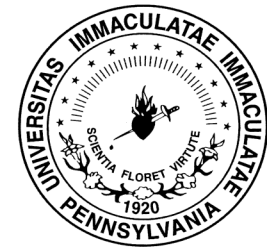
Requirements for admission into the major of Nutrition and Dietetics are to achieve a minimum GPA of 2.6 after the completion of 12 credits at Immaculata University and maintain a minimum GPA of 2.6 throughout your studies.

REQUIREMENTS FOR DIDACTIC PROGRAM VERIFICATION

- Completion of program requirements with a minimum GPA of 2.6.
- Completion of each professional course with a minimum grade of B-.

PROGRAM COSTS

- College of Lifelong Learning/ College of Graduate Studies tuition, charges and fees are listed in the University Catalog
- Additional fees
 - Lab fee (Approx. \$40/course)
 - Practicum Fee:
Covers liability and malpractice insurance and TB screening (Approx. \$55/course)
- Books (Approx. \$100 per course)
- Transportation to clinical sites for foodservice operations and medical nutrition therapy experiences (cost varies according to student placement).
- Lab coat (Approx. \$30)
- Medical Insurance



NON DISCRIMINATION POLICY

Immaculata University is committed to the principle of equal educational opportunity without discrimination by race, color, religion, age, gender, national origin, or disability.