INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS APPLYING TO NUTRITION & DIETETICS PROGRAM

The curriculum leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Nutrition & Dietetics meets the undergraduate academic requirements established by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND). Following successful completion of the B.S. degree, students will need to successfully complete a dietetic internship to become eligible to take the national Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN) examination.

Completion of B.S. in Nutrition & Dietetics degree does not ensure that a student will be accepted to a dietetic internship. Since these programs are highly competitive, it is recommended that students maintain a minimum GPA of 3.5 and have paid and volunteer experience in an area related to Nutrition/Dietetics.

Admission Requirements

The following requirements must be met to be eligible to apply for admission to the Nutrition/Dietetics program:

1. Grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or above (including all transfer and UNM credits)
2. Completion of NUTR 2110 with a grade of B- or better
3. Completion of CHEM 1215 with a grade of B- or better
4. Transfer students: You must have completed a minimum of 9 credit hours of courses at UNM to be considered for admission to the program.

Information for Current CNM Students who want to Apply to the Nutrition Program:

If you are in your final semester at CNM in a Spring term, you anticipate graduating in May, and you plan on attending UNM in the Fall to pursue a B.S. in Nutrition and Dietetics, please apply for the Nutrition Major by March 15 to be accepted for the Fall semester.

If you are in your final semester at CNM in a Fall term, you anticipate graduating in December, and you plan on attending UNM in the Spring to pursue a B.S. in Nutrition and Dietetics, please apply for the Nutrition Major by September 15 to be accepted for the Spring semester.
To be considered for admission into the B. S. in Nutrition & Dietetics at UNM, you must do the following:

1. Obtain a Letter of Graduation Intent from Mary Martinez that specifically states all of the following:
   a. You will meet all requirements for an Associate Degree in Nutrition from CNM
   b. Your graduation is anticipated in May or December
   c. You have a minimum of a 3.0 GPA from CNM

2. When you apply for the UNM Nutrition Program, you will be required to upload the Letter of Graduation Intent, in addition to your unofficial transcripts from CNM.

3. You must submit your completed application by March 15 (graduation anticipated in May) or September 15 (graduation anticipated in December).

When you apply for UNM’s Nutrition Major program, you will be required to upload the Letter of Graduation Intent along with your unofficial transcripts from CNM by using the ‘Upload Transcripts’ function.

If you anticipate graduating with an Associate Degree from CNM during the summer term, you may apply for spring admission into the program. You will not be eligible to take courses in the fall restricted to Nutrition Majors only. Your completed application must be submitted by September 15th. You will not need a Letter of Intent but will need to upload your CNM transcript.

For all application deadlines, it is strongly recommended that you contact a Nutrition Faculty advisor prior to the first term of registration at UNM. Contact ifce@unm.edu to obtain information regarding an advisor.

ALL CNM Students: To be able to take Nutrition Major courses in your first term as a B.S. in Nutrition and Dietetics Major, you must have completed the B.S in Nutrition/Dietetics and the organic chemistry requirements, which are pre-requisites for upper-level Nutrition Major courses. We do not allow students to take any pre-requisite as a co-quisite for any class in the Nutrition & Dietetics Program. NO EXCEPTIONS are made to this policy.

Please note, some upper-level DPD courses do not require admission to the Nutrition Program as long as you have completed all prerequisites (i.e. NUTR 320, NUTR 321, NUTR 344, NUTR 345).

All students must take CHEM 301 at UNM in the semester BEFORE enrolling in Nutrition Major courses or take CHEM 2710 at CNM before the start of your term as a Nutrition and Dietetics major at UNM.
**UNM Exercise Science Majors** may take CHEM 2120 at UNM or CHEM 2210 at CNM instead of CHEM 301, as the NUTR 344 prerequisite. NUTR 344 is required for the Exercise Science major. The substitution of CHEM 2120/CHEM 2210 is not allowed for Nutrition Majors.

**Graduation Requirements**

A grade of C or better is required in all coursework that counts toward the degree.

Your submitted packet MUST include ALL of the following:

a. Unofficial Transcript (including the most current semester)

b. Other required documents for transfer students

**NOTE:** Failure to maintain a GPA of 3.0 after acceptance into the Nutrition Program will result in the student being dropped from the Nutrition Program. The student must reapply to the program should the student be dropped for failure to maintain at GPA of 3.0

*Incomplete applications (including failure to upload transcripts, other required documents) will not be considered.*

If you have any questions concerning these procedures, please feel free to contact the College of Education Advisement Center  [coeac@unm.edu](mailto:coeac@unm.edu)
How to complete your College of Education application in Tk20:

The instructions for the online portion of the application are as follows:

1. Go to the following URL: http://coe.unm.edu/tk20

2. Click “Students” then Log-in with your UNM Netid and password

3. Click on the “Applications” menu from the left-side bar:

4. You will start the application process, by clicking on the “IFCE: Nutrition/Dietetics BS” application from the “Choose the application type that you would like to create and submit” menu

5. Complete the form in its entirety. If you wish to save and come back later, click on “Save”; if you are ready to submit for review, click on “Submit”; IMPORTANT: If you click on “Submit” you will have to complete the form in its entirety and will not be able to come back to it for review, it will close at this time.

Technical questions: coetk20@unm.edu