

PROGRAM MISSION AND GOALS (9/2019)

Mission Statement of the MSU Dietetic Internship Program

Mission Statement: The Faculty and preceptors of the Michigan State University Dietetic Internship Program will strive to prepare entry-level dietitian nutritionists for state-of-the-art practice in diverse and challenging healthcare, foodservice, community and entrepreneurial settings.

Goals of the MSU Dietetic Internship Program

- 1. The program will develop entry-level dietetics professionals who demonstrate competence and professional and ethical behaviors.**

Outcome Measures:

- a. The program's one-year pass rate (graduates who pass the registration exam within one year of first attempt) on the CDR credentialing exam for dietitian nutritionists is at least 80%
- b. 90% of program graduates take the CDR credentialing exam for dietitian nutritionists within 12 months of program completion.
- c. Over the accreditation cycle, 100% of MSU DI program graduates will have received a minimum of 3.0 rating for attainment of entry-level competencies. (1-5 scale where 1= unsatisfactory/minimal skills and 5 = excellent/above entry level)
- d. At least 80% of program interns complete program/degree requirements within 24 months (150% of program length). *Full time interns
- e. At least 80% of program interns complete program/degree requirements within 30 months (150 % of program length). * Part time interns
- f. Over the accreditation cycle, 75% of MSU DI program graduates will have continued their membership in the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (Academy) for three years.

2. **MSU DI graduates will be gainfully employed in an area that allows them to practice dietetics.**

Outcome Measures:

- a. Of graduates who seek employment, 90% are employed in dietetics or related fields within 12 months of graduation.
- b. Over the accreditation cycle, 50% of MSU DI program graduates will have been employed in dietetics in Michigan.
- c. Over the accreditation cycle, 20% of MSU DI program graduates will have been employed in non-traditional positions.
- d. Over the accreditation cycle, the mean rating of “rate your preparation by the internship for an entry level RD/RDN position” will be at least 3.0 by 90% of interns (1-5 scale where 1 = unsatisfactory/minimal skills and 5 =excellent/above entry level)
- e. Over the accreditation cycle, 80% of part time graduates, sponsored by Michigan WIC program, will continue to work in Michigan WIC for two years after finishing the internship.
- f. Over a five-year period 80% of employers will rank program graduates with a mean rating of at least 3.0 (1 -5 scale where 1 =unsatisfactory/minimal skills and 5 = excellent/above entry level) on preparation of graduate for an entry level RD/RDN position.

****Program outcomes data are available upon request**

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