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MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN PUBLIC HEALTH NUTRITION (MPH) & DIETETIC INTERNSHIP GRADUATE CERTIFICATE (DI)

ABOUT

The Rutgers School of Public Health's Master of Public Health (MPH) in Public Health Nutrition degree and the Rutgers School of Health Professions's Dietetic Internship (DI) graduate certificate, prepares students to become registered dietitian nutritionists (RDNs) providing population, community, and client-centered care through interprofessional work and evidence-based nutrition care. Dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in nutrition and dietetics education, client and population practice, research, and service, the combined program expands the complex factors that affect public health and impact health equity and disease prevention.

This program allows students to take the RDN credentialing exam after completing or receiving the MPH in Public Health Nutrition degree and DI graduate certificate. This is New Jersey's first and only MPH/DI program.

Applicants must have completed an accredited Didactic Program in Dietetics prior to enrolling.

PROGRAM FORMAT

This five-semester, full-time, MPH/DI program has courses from the Rutgers School of Public Health and Rutgers School of Health Professions. Students will participate in experiential learning in the last two semesters of the program to promote an exceptional didactic education and application to practice.

Completion of the program requires a minimum of 55- credits. The first 12 months are focused on the MPH curriculum and the final eight months are focused on the DI graduate certificate.

FAST FACTS



Program Size: 8

Total Credits: 55

Public Health Courses (36 credits)

Dietetics Courses (19 credits)

Format: Full-time in-person; some online courses available

Certified in Public Health Exam Eligibility: Yes

Registered Dietitian Nutritionist Exam Eligibility: Yes

Application Deadlines:

February 15

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PROGRAM FORMAT, CONT.

MPH/DI students will take courses remotely, online, hybrid, and in-person at Rutgers Biomedical Health Sciences campuses in Newark and/or New Brunswick (Piscataway), depending on course and year.

Experiential learning will occur in public health and community settings, such as WIC, federally qualified health centers and clinics, community food banks, food service, subacute and long-term care settings, state departments on aging and health care, as well as in professional advocacy groups.

Contact admissions for additional information at admissions@sph.rutgers.edu.

CURRICULUM

20-month full-time program

- Public Health Core Courses (18 credits)
- Public Health Nutrition Concentration Courses (15 credits)
- PRAC 0621 – Interprofessional Education (0 credits)
- PRAC 0715 – Applied Practice Experience (0 credits)
- PRAC0716 – Practicum Capstone (3 credits)
- Other Requirements
- DI Graduate Required Courses (9 credits) *These courses serve as electives for the MPH degree.*
- DI Nutrition Rotations (10 credits; > 1,000 hours)

Total: 55 credits

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APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Students interested in the MPH/DI program will be required to apply through the Dietetic Internship Centralized Application System.

A complete application includes:

- Application via the Centralized Application System (<https://page.liaisonedu.com/dicas/apply>)
- Resume or CV
- Minimum overall GPA of 3.0 from an accredited Didactic Program in Dietetics or clear explanation of a lower GPA
- Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended
- Two letters of recommendation from a professor or academic advisor
- Personal statement (up to 1,000 words) about your journey to wanting an RD with short and long-term goals
- Virtual face-to-face interview with candidates for admission (to be scheduled following review of complete application)
- Verification Statement of Didactic Program in Dietetics coursework or Declaration of Intent to before entering the program
- D&D digital registration at www.dnndigital.com between December 1, 2022, and February 15, 2024, by 11:59 pm central time.
- GRE General Exam (optional)
- TOEFL or IELTS score for applicants educated in a non-native English-speaking country

Applicants will use Dietetic Internship Centralized Application System to apply to the MPH/DI program. Match Day for the Dietetic Internship is April 7, 2024.

CAREERS

- Registered Dietitian Nutritionist
- Food Services Program Manager
- Research Coordinator
- Health Promotion Program Coordinator
- WIC Nutritionist



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