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Introduction

Welcome to Southern Illinois University Carbondale!! The accredited Advanced Degree Dietetic Internship Program¹ at SIUC is designed for students who want to complete a Master of Science degree in Food and Nutrition with a concentration in community nutrition², and who also want to qualify to take the examination for Registered Dietitians (R.D.). This handbook provides details about requirements for completing both parts of the program. It is used as a reference by enrolled students/interns, faculty, preceptors, Advisory Committee, Chair of Animal Science, Food and Nutrition Department, and Dietetic Internship (DI) Program Coordinator.

Distinctions exist between *Graduate Program in Food and Nutrition* and *Dietetic Internship Program*. Please note that this handbook begins with a description of *Graduate Program* and is followed by details of *Dietetic Internship Program*. "Students/Interns" are referred to as "students" in *Graduate Program* section, and as "interns" in *Dietetic Internship* portion. More than likely, you are both!

GRADUATE PROGRAM IN FOOD AND NUTRITION

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² Southern Illinois University Carbondale (SIUC), College of Agricultural Sciences, (COAS), Department of Animal Science, Food and Nutrition, Master of Science degree in Food and Nutrition with a concentration in Community Nutrition. The curriculum meets the requirements of the Association of Graduate Programs in Public Health Nutrition, Inc. (AGPPHN, Inc.).

GRADUATE PROGRAM IN FOOD AND NUTRITION

Department Chair for ASFN Directs Graduate Program

The Chair for Animal Science, Food and Nutrition (ASFN) Department, Dr. Todd Winters, administers and directs Master's Degree programs in both Animal Science and Food and Nutrition.

ASFN faculty who work closely with Master's Degree programs are:

- Dr. William Banz, Food and Nutrition; Specialty: Nutritional Physiology
- Dr. Jeremy Davis, Food and Nutrition; Specialty: Nutritional Physiology
- Dr. Nicole Davis, Hospitality and Tourism Administration
- Dr. Sara Long, Food and Nutrition; Specialty: Medical Nutrition Therapy
- Ms. Dawn Null, Food and Nutrition; Specialty: Community Nutrition
- Dr. Sylvia Smith, Hospitality and Tourism Administration

Admission Requirements (Food and Nutrition–Community Nutrition Graduate Program)

- Baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university (completed within last 10 years)
- Completion of a Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD), accredited by Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education (CADE) or evidence of completing all but one semester of coursework in an undergraduate DPD. Students will receive appropriate documentation from their DPD Coordinators that is submitted with Dietetic Internship Program application.
- Grade point average (GPA) 3.0 or higher is recommended (on scale with A=4.0)
- Completion of Graduate Record Examination (GRE) within last 5 years
- A score of 1000 or higher on combined verbal and quantitative portions of GRE is recommended
- Desire to complete a Master of Science degree in Food and Nutrition with a concentration in community nutrition combined with a 7 and ½ month dietetic internship with community nutrition emphasis
- Acceptance by departmental graduate admissions committee
- All students must be admitted to SIUC Graduate School in good standing
- International students whose native language is not English are required to pass the TOEFL examination with a score of 550 or above. "International Fact Sheet" is on the web at http://www.eatright.com/cade/intfactsheet.html.

An advisory committee reviews your application and recommends to Chair of Animal Science, Food and Nutrition Department that you be admitted to SIUC's Graduate

School. The committee ("Didactic Program in Dietetics and Dietetic Internship Advisory Committee" –DPD/DI Advisory Committee–) is composed of professional educators, dietetics practitioners, and other professional representatives from business and industry. The committee meets once annually to review the Dietetic Internship program and to recommend new dietetic interns. More information about this committee is included in the Dietetic Internship Program portion of this handbook.

SIUC Affirmative Action Policy statement: "It is the policy of Southern Illinois University Carbondale to provide equal employment and educational opportunities for all qualified persons without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, status as a disabled veteran or a veteran of the Vietnam era, sexual orientation, or marital status." (http://www.gradschool.siuc.edu/catalog_08-09/1B-Introduction.pdf)

Another committee, composed of ASFN Chair and appropriate faculty members, review dietetic internship students' applications recommended to them by DPD/DI Advisory Committee. This "Chair and faculty committee" reviews your applications and determines which students should be recommended for admission to Graduate School. The Graduate School is empowered to admit students on behalf of Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

If you are already a Registered Dietitian and are completing a master's degree in Food and Nutrition with a concentration in community nutrition, you will also complete a community nutrition rotation and coursework required by Association of Graduate Programs in Public Health Nutrition.

<u>Orientation</u>. New dietetic internship student orientation takes place the week prior to the fall semester beginning. Orientation is mandatory and all incoming graduates must to be present for orientation.

<u>Schedule of Classes</u>. Information about admission, advisement, registration, academic calendar, tuition, and fees, is available on the web at <u>http://www.siuc.edu</u>. Click on *Salukinet* to find the "Schedule of Classes" link.

<u>Graduate Catalog</u>. The Graduate Catalog provides information on many topics. A few that you need to pay attention to include: Students' responsibilities for degree requirements, Thesis requirements, Summary of master's degree requirements, Registration for graduate school, Graduate School course loads, Graduate Assistantships, Fellowships, Tuition and fees, Residency requirements (you pay lower tuition as an Illinois resident), Immunizations and Illinois law, and Food and Nutrition Program. The Graduate Catalog is on the web at <u>http://www.siu.edu/gradschl</u> (click on Graduate Catalog).

Assessment of Prior Learning

The SIUC MS/DI program recognizes that students may obtain knowledge and skills from their life and work experiences which may be equivalent to college level learning.

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines to determine the equivalencies of students' prior learning experiences to dietetic internship competency statements.

Students who wish to have their prior learning assessed will be requested to document their learning of specific knowledge, skills and values related to the program learning outcomes, objectives or competencies for which credit is requested. Documentation must support learning statements and may include but not be restricted to the following:

- personal profiles and portfolios;
- non-credit certificates/diplomas;
- work products and artifacts;
- course challenges (written, oral, performance examinations [e.g. laboratory, clinical, work-site], product assessment, standardized exams);
- performance evaluations (e.g. role-plays; live, video or audio presentations; lab demonstrations; simulations; work-site demonstrations); and
- documented learning from life and work experiences and accomplishments.

Documentation will be reviewed by faculty with expertise in the area as well as DI director. Faculty and DI director will make recommendations to the department chair that will make the final decision.

Tuition and Fees

Graduate Catalog and *Schedule of Classes* provide complete descriptions of tuition and fees charges. Graduate tuition for fall 2011 for Illinois residents is \$350.60 per semester hour. For graduate non-Illinois residents, tuition is two and half times the resident rate at \$876.50 per semester hour. These charges are subject to change.

Student fees for 12 semester hours are \$1,618.94 for Illinois residents, continuing non-Illinois residents, and new non-Illinois residents. All students must pay fees, including those who have tuition waivers.

Note: "All fees are considered to be institutional in nature and require payment whether or not you receive direct benefits or are in a location that permits access to such benefits" (from Graduate Catalog at website above). You generally become painfully aware of this rule while you are on rotation and too far from the Recreation Center to make use of it. It is hoped that this warning will cushion the shock. Also worth noting: The Student-to-Student Grant Program Fee and portions of the Student Medical Benefit Fee are refundable under certain circumstances.

Financial Assistance

Several types of financial assistance are available if you are qualified. Following is a partial list of financial assistance possibilities (consult *Graduate Catalog* for additional details):

1. Graduate Assistantships (GA). When you enter the program you **may be** appointed to a GA position that would waive tuition costs and provide a stipend for a semester while enrolled in course work. Students conducting research and writing a thesis will be given preference for ASFN departmental GA positions.

These are 4-1/2 or 9 month appointments. If you are granted a graduate assistantship, you should <u>plan your calendar commitments carefully</u> according to the needs of faculty to whom you are assigned.

Fall and spring assistantship appointments receive a tuition waiver if the appointment is for 75% of the semester (13 out of 17 weeks). Half-time (50% - 20 hours' work per week) and Quarter-time (25% - 10 hours' work per week) assistantships receive a 15-hour tuition waiver. Tuition waivers pay tuition only; students are required to pay all their fees for the number of credit hours they are registered for in the fall and spring semesters.

Summer assistantships receive a tuition waiver if the appointment is for 50% of the entire summer semester (6 out of the 12 weeks). Summer waivers pay for all summer classes (i.e. intercession, 6-week, or 8-week courses). Both half time (50%) and quarter-time (25%) assistantships receive an 9-hour waiver for the summer. Graduate assistants that have a consecutive fall and spring contract automatically receive a 9-hour summer waiver. Tuition waivers pay tuition only; students are required to pay all their fees for the number of credit hours they are registered for in the summer semesters.

Two quarter-time assistantships may be held without special approval. Anything over 50% must be first approved by the Graduate School. Graduate assistants are not allowed to hold a student worker position unless they have special approval through the Graduate School.

Salary schedules for graduate assistantships vary from unit to unit. Currently, monthly stipends awarded through the Food and Nutrition Department range from \$713 (25% appointment) to \$1426 (50% appointment). Generally doctoral students are paid higher rates than master's students. Information about the specific conditions of the appointment should be directed to the department or unit making the appointment.

Students holding an assistantship are required to register for eight (8) hours of graduate credit in the fall and spring semester and three (3) hours of graduate credit during the summer semesters.

A student may receive no more than two calendar years of financial support (24 months) while at a master's level. A student may receive no more than four calendar years of financial support (48 months) at a doctoral level. These time limits apply to assistantships, fellowships, traineeships, internships and other similar awards and appointments administered by the University, regardless of source of funds.

Source: <u>http://www.siu.edu/gradschl/grad_assistantship.htm</u>. For more information visit: <u>http://www.siu.edu/gradschl/gahdbook.htm</u>

- 2. Graduate Fellowships may also be available. The number of fellowships varies depending on funds available. These awards are based upon scholarship, scores on standardized tests, and potential for success in graduate study.
- 3. Scholarships are available from the American Dietetic Association Foundation and sometimes from the Southern Illinois Dietetic Association to help defray educational expenses. You must be a member of these associations to be eligible for their scholarships.
- 4. Information about *Federal Direct Student Loans* and other financial assistance is available from Financial Aid Office (618-453-4334). You are responsible for knowing and following all requirements associated with receiving any financial aid. Questions regarding financial aid should be directed to Financial Aid Office staff.

Insurance

The University Student Health Insurance Plan will provide medical coverage while you participate in course work. Visit <u>http://www.siu.edu/~shp/index.htm</u> for more details.

General Responsibilities and Cost

<u>Communicating</u>. You are responsible for staying informed of all procedures and for communicating regularly with DI Program Coordinator, Food and Nutrition program staff, other students, faculty, and preceptors. When questions arise, ask appropriate individual. Names of current faculty and staff in Food and Nutrition program is found in the coursework section, and a current list of preceptors, internship sites, addresses, and telephone/fax numbers is available in the internship rotation section. This list is constantly changing. You will receive an updated version just prior to going out on your rotations.

<u>Computer and Computer Skills</u>. You will need a computer during supervised practice experiences. A **laptop computer is required** at IDHS (Illinois Department of Human Services) and Family Care Health Centers of Carondelet sites. A diet analysis program is helpful when writing reports during rotations and for verifying client data. Diets are discussed in terms of quantities of nutrients as well as food groups. Skillful use of software for word processing (e.g., MS-Word), spreadsheet usage (e.g., MS-Excel), and MS-PowerPoint are expected.

<u>Checklist of Progress.</u> The checklist helps you keep track of items you are responsible for completing. A copy of this checklist is placed in your permanent file. Progress is evaluated by DI Program Coordinator on several occasions: 1) prior to your registering for coursework each semester, 2) prior to registering for rotations, and 3) after completing rotations and prior to studying for RD Exam review course. This last progress evaluation is critical for 2 reasons: 1) it is the one in which you receive official paperwork that facilitates taking examination for registered dietitians, and 2) it provides the final information to the DI Coordinator for changing your incomplete grades (FN580 course) to final grades. You are responsible for scheduling these meetings. Immunizations. Your immunizations must be compliant per SIU policy. Visit http://www.siu.edu/~shc/downloads/Forms/ImmunComp.pdf for required immunizations and costs thereof. Failure to comply with the Illinois State Mandate will result in a SHC hold being placed on your registration. In addition, some rotation sites require additional immunizations such as Hepatitis A and Hepatitis B. You will be made aware of the requirements of your rotation site as soon as possible to allow you time to obtain necessary immunizations.

<u>Drug Screen, Background Checks & CPR Training and Certification</u>. Several of our rotation sites are now requiring drug screens, background checks, and CPR training and certification to be completed prior to beginning a rotation. You will be notified as to the dates of these services and will be responsible for costs.

Objectives of Master's Degree Program in Food and Nutrition

- 1. For you to complete Master of Science degree in Food and Nutrition with a concentration in community nutrition which incorporates guidelines of Association of Graduate Programs in Public Health Nutrition, Inc. (AGPPHN, Inc.)
- 2. For you to conduct research in community nutrition by completing a thesis or research paper that may also lead to preparation of a manuscript for publication in a refereed journal

Coursework

Thirty-eight to 41 credit hours are completed during the 24- to 30-month combined program. Twenty-eight to 31 of those credit hours are completed while you take coursework, write thesis (or research paper), and complete oral defense. Each of three 10-week rotations is a 3-credit-hour class: food service management (3), clinical (3), and community (3), for a total of 9 credit hours. <u>You are required to complete master's degree work prior to going on rotation</u> (i.e., all courses and thesis or research paper). By completing hands-on practice portion of program last, you are able to complete your studying for RD exam while information is fresh. This sequence (course work first, then supervised practice, and then study review for registration examination for dietitians) provides you with a logical progression for taking RD exam and applying for jobs. Historically, many students found jobs by the time they finished rotations; and it became cumbersome to have to return to University to complete a thesis or research paper.

<u>Note</u>: You must complete all graduate program and dietetic internship program requirements *prior* to receiving your documentation that facilitates taking registration examination for dietitians.

<u>Student Academic Review Committee (SARC)</u>. The Student Academic Review Committee (SARC) consists of faculty who teach your courses, the DI Program Coordinator, and your preceptor(s).

Faculty assist the DI Program Coordinator in monitoring your coursework progress by providing mid-semester grade reports when needed. If you are performing at less than a "B" level, the faculty member teaching the course will let the DI Coordinator know this fact. You should work with your instructor to determine what you need to do to bring your grade up. If stress is a factor, see DI Program Coordinator for support resources. Additional meetings with your course instructor and DI Program Coordinator (SARC meetings) may be held. As appropriate, documentation of such meetings will be recorded in your permanent file.

If a "C" is earned in a core course, the course must be repeated and a grade of "B" or better earned before starting rotations. Note: Grades you earn as a graduate student are permanently retained on your transcript. Repeating a course is allowed only if Department Chair recommends it to Dean of Graduate School. The grade you earned the first time stays on your transcript. The grade you earn the second time will be averaged in with your other grades. (verbal communication with Nancy Vorhees, Admissions/Records Officer II, Graduate School, July, 2002).

Core courses include FN 574 (advanced medical nutrition therapy); FN 585 (advanced community nutrition); FN 540 (nutrition policy, programs, and services); FN 530 (advanced nutritional assessment and education); FN 581 (seminar), and WED 561 (research methods). FN 585 and FN 530 may be combined into one course. You must also earn a grade of "B" or better in supervised practice courses: FN 580 A, B, C, (nutrition practicum in the community: 580 A clinical, 580 B management, 580 C community). If you perform at less than a "B" level in any rotation, you will be provided an opportunity to bring your grade up to a "B" by completing additional work within a defined period of time (usually one to two weeks—more, if circumstances warrant it). If the extra time and practice are not sufficient, you would be dropped from the program.

Community Nutrition Concentration

The Master of Science degree in Food and Nutrition provides a concentration in community nutrition (health promotion, disease prevention).

The coursework and concurrent field experiences fulfill guidelines approved by Association of Faculties of Graduate Programs in Public Health Nutrition, (AFGPPHN 1990, <u>Strategies for Success: Curriculum Guide for Graduate Programs in Public</u> <u>Health Nutrition</u>, *Published by* Food and Nutrition Program at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, IL 62901 *in Cooperation with* Graduate Programs in Public Health Nutrition. Single copies are available from: National Maternal and Child Health Clearinghouse [NMCHC], 38th and R Streets, NW; Washington, DC 20057; Phone 202/625-8410.).

Note: "Concurrent field experiences" which occur within specific courses are different from internship rotations (a.k.a. supervised practice experiences).

Program of Study

Appendix A provides a detailed "Program of Study Guide". You and DI Program Coordinator will sign an individualized "Program of Study" about fifth week of first semester. Your program allows for some flexibility and is developed for you with assistance from DI Program Coordinator. Your original Program of Study is placed in your permanent file and a copy will be provided to you. Any program changes will be noted during progress evaluations.

Supervision of Thesis or Research Paper

A Food and Nutrition faculty member ("committee chair") directs your work and mentors you while you develop and complete your thesis or research paper. Pairing of students with major professors occurs within first few weeks of first semester. You should develop a timeline for completing various portions of your thesis/research paper in conjunction with your master professor's advice and calendar.

Thesis Committee Selection

In addition to your thesis chair, you will need 2 additional committee members. One will be from our department and the third should be from outside the dept. We encourage you to choose an outside member who is an expert in the field you are studying.

Thesis/Research Paper Protocol

- **1.** Committee chair is the person you work with throughout the development of your project.
- 2. Only AFTER your committee chair has given you the "okay" do you provide copies of your project to other committee members for their feedback.
- 3. As with other classes, FN 599 (thesis) or FN 593 (research paper) requires you to purchase your own supplies: (paper and duplicating are your responsibility, not the departments).
- 4. Scheduling appointments with your chair is your responsibility.
- 5. Most committee chairs will need "turn-around" time to review your work ask them how much time they will need and plan that time into your overall schedule. Count on 2 weeks turn around time.
- 6. When your committee chair indicates the time is right, provide copies of your project to other committee members. Find out how much turn-around time they need to review your work and provide you with feedback. Inform your Chair of changes recommended by other committee members.
- 7. Committee members need a minimum of 2 weeks to review the thesis prior to the prospectus and/or defense. An abstract of the thesis must be given to the ASFN Chair at this time.
- 8. The Defense must be posted no later than 1 week prior to defense. In addition, a flyer must be provided to each ASFN faculty member, DI Program Coordinator, and ASFN Departmental Chair with written notice of the scheduled date, time, and place of your oral defense. A flyer must also be sent to each department in the College of Agricultural Sciences as well as the Departments of Physiology, Health Education and Recreation, and Kinesiology.

- 9. Following the majority of thesis/research paper oral defense meetings, students are required to make changes to improve accuracy. Some of these changes can be quite time-consuming, so allow time for this part of the process.
- 10. Once the changes have been accepted by your committee chair, the Department Chair will need a copy for no less than 24 hours to review before signing. Once all signatures have been obtained, submit your completed copy to the Graduate School.
- **11.** Provide bound copy to Departmental office and one to your Committee Chair.

"During the (thesis) project, expect everything to take twice as long as you think it will or should." -Dr. Sara Long

three times

-Dawn Null 👳

Suggested Timeline for Completing Thesis.

(assuming you want to complete entire program within 2 Years)						
Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall			
2011	2012	2012	2012			
 Get an 	Define topic	Complete	Mo. Tasks			
advisor for	clearly	data	Aug Make as many appointments			
thesis or	• Complete a	collection	with your advisor as necessary			
research	thorough	Complete	Sep to complete the thesis. • Your advisor needs turn-around			
paper	search of	rough draft				
Define	the	chap. 4-5	Oct adequately review each draft			
topic	literature	Make	(there will probably be several!).			
Complete	Read and	revisions	Keep in mind that your advisor			
rough draft	understand	as advised	has many responsibilities in			
of ch. 1-3	the	as auviseu	addition to helping you.			
_			• Schedule your thesis defense as			
in	literature		early as possible during the rail			
Research	Refine		Larly semester to allow for time to Nov make revisions.			
Methods	chap. 1-3		 After defending your thesis, 			
	 Develop 		revise your thesis as directed by			
	prospectus		your committee			
	Collect data		Continue working with your			
			Nov, early advisor and making revisions			
			until your advisor tells you the			
			thesis is ready to submit to the			
			Graduate School and all			
			committee members have signed off.			
			Early Submit thesis to Graduate			
			Dec School			

(assuming you want to complete entire program within 2 Years)

You should obtain the following documents for use at appropriate times during thesis/research paper process:

- <u>Thesis/Research Paper Guidelines</u>. Title, "Guidelines for the preparation of dissertations, theses and research papers". Procure newest version from Graduate School office in Woody Hall. Follow directions completely, as Graduate School will not accept papers that do not match specifications (margins, page number placement, format, etc.)
- Forms. Download forms from <u>www.siu.edu/gradschl/forms.htm</u>:
 - Graduate Faculty Committee Approval Form
 - Use this form in early stages of working on your thesis or research paper. Get all signatures. Make 2 copies.
 - Provide main ASFN office with the Original
 - Provide a copy to the DI Program Coordinator to be placed in your permanent file
 - The other copy is yours.
 - Thesis Approval Form (must print on 25% cotton paper)
 - Make 4 copies.
 - Submit Original and 2 copies to Graduate School.

- Provide 1 copy to the DI Program Coordinator to be placed in your permanent file
- The 4th copy is yours
- Oral Defense Form
 - Make 2 copies
 - Submit Original to Graduate School
 - Provide 1 copy to the DI Program Coordinator to be placed in your permanent file
 - The other copy is yours
- Research Paper Approval Form (must print on 25% cotton paper)
 - Make 2 copies
 - Submit Original to Graduate School (? Ask)
 - Provide 1 copy to the DI Program Coordinator to be placed in your permanent file
 - The other copy is yours

Graduation Requirements for Master of Science Degree in Food and Nutrition

A Master of Science (MS) degree in Food and Nutrition with a Concentration in Community Nutrition is awarded to you upon completion of Graduate Program in Food and Nutrition. Completion of master's degree program requires:

- Completion of MS degree requirements for Graduate School as outlined in Southern Illinois University Carbondale (SIUC) Graduate Catalog. The catalog is online at <u>http://www.siu.edu/gradschl/catalog.htm</u>.
- Completion of master's degree requirements for Food and Nutrition Program with a concentration in Community Nutrition as outlined in SIUC Graduate Catalog. <u>http://www.siu.edu/gradschl/catalog.htm</u>. Click on "Animal Science". Then scroll down to find "Food and Nutrition".

<u>Electronic Theses and Dissertations (ETD)</u>. The Graduate Council passed a resolution on March 3, 2005, that effective Fall 2005, all theses and dissertations will be submitted to the Graduate School electronically in a PDF format that conforms to the guidelines established by ProQuest Information and Learning. The Graduate School will establish guidelines for format. Students will be required to pay a submission fee:

> Thesis = \$80 Dissertation = \$90 Copyright = \$65 (optional)

The submission deadline for theses/dissertations can be found at http://www.siu.edu/gradschl/grad_deadlines.htm. Your thesis advisor should contact Ratna Sinha at 453-4570 if he or she has questions.

<u>Diploma for Master's Degree</u>. Candidates for the master's degree will no longer receive diplomas at the commencement ceremony effective May, 2005. The Graduate School had a tradition of awarding diplomas to all candidates at commencement regardless of any past due accounts. A change in the policy concerning past due accounts does not allow continuation of this practice.

Master's degree candidates will receive their diploma in the mail or they may pick it up from the Records/Registration Office after commencement.

Students may contact Pam Durso at 618-453-4523 should you have questions.

Your Permanent File

Your permanent file is located in Quigley Hall, Room 219E (DI Program Coordinator's office). Information placed in file includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. Checklist of Progress
- 2. Application to SIUC Dietetic Internship Program and related correspondence
- 3. Verification Statement and final transcript conferring bachelor's degree from your DPD University
- 4. Evaluations pertaining to coursework
- 5. Evaluations pertaining to supervised practice experiences
- 6. Any other documents that are, have been, or are intended to be used in determining your qualifications to graduate from Food and Nutrition master's degree program and Dietetic Internship Program

DIETETIC INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

DI Program Coordinator Directs Dietetic Internship Program

The Dietetic Internship (DI) Coordinator directs the Dietetic Internship Program which is part of the Master of Science Degree in Food and Nutrition with a Concentration in Community Nutrition. The term "Director" is used by the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education; however, "Coordinator" is the term preferred by SIU administrators. As a result, you will find either and both of these terms used throughout this manual and by your DI "Director/Coordinator", Dawn Null.

Philosophy of Dietetic Internship Program

Educational processes are related to practice needs. Supervised practice experiences provided during internship rotations hold more meaning for you than didactic learning alone. Rotations complement graduate coursework and prepare you for roles as competent, entry-level dietitians. You will assess food and nutrition needs. You will also

be involved with planning, organizing, managing, directing, coordinating, and evaluating nutritional components of health services for individuals and communities.

Mission of Dietetic Internship Program

The SIUC master's degree program in Food and Nutrition (with a concentration in *community nutrition*) and dietetic internship is dedicated to providing students the education and supervised practice experiences that facilitate entry level competence in dietetics in accordance with the accepted principles of the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education, the accrediting agency for the American Dietetic Association, and the Association of Graduate Programs in Public Health Nutrition, Inc.

The internship program emphasizes health promotion and disease prevention, along with primary and/or ambulatory health care. Some settings for community practice include university health facilities, public health departments, ambulatory care clinics, community hospitals, long-term care facilities, and industry.

Goals of Dietetic Internship Program

- **1**. The program provides graduate credit and completion of the Master of Science degree in Food and Nutrition with a concentration in community nutrition.
- 2. The program prepares graduates to be competent entry-level dietitians.
- 3. The program provides students with the basic tools for research in community nutrition by requiring students to complete a thesis or research paper.
- 4. The program promotes professional competence in community nutrition that is relevant to the current needs of society and has the versatility through the continuous improvement process to change, as the need requires.
- 5. The program provides opportunities for students/interns to complete their dietetics education in, or near, southern Illinois.

Admission Requirements to Dietetic Internship Program

- Participation in DICAS and D&D Digital Systems matching program
- Food and Nutrition Graduate Program requirements (see page 5 of this document)
- Letter of interest in SIUC's combined Master of Science Degree and dietetic internship program
- Supervised practice program application (standard form prepared by The American Dietetic Association
- Three Recommendations (standard forms included with above application)
- Official transcripts from each college and university attended with 2 sets of original final transcripts indicating that the bachelor's degree was awarded
- Didactic Program in Dietetics ("DPD Program") Verification Statement of program completion.

Didactic Program in Dietetics and Dietetic Internship (DPD/DI) Advisory Committee

The DPD/DI Advisory Committee is composed of professional educators, dietetics practitioners, and other professional representatives from business and industry. The committee meets once annually to review Dietetic Internship program and to recommend new dietetic interns. After reviewing students' applications, the committee recommends to Chair of Animal Science, Food and Nutrition Department that specified students be admitted to SIUC's Graduate School.

<u>Students/Interns Attend DPD/DI Meeting</u>. You have been brought into the program because of this committee's efforts to select you from the pool of students who applied to the program. You are asked to attend the annual Advisory Committee meeting for about one hour (more if you can make time to stay). Meeting dates and times (late March each year) are announced several weeks in advance. Committee members enjoy meeting both the newest students and visiting with those who have already taken coursework or have completed rotations. Your attendance and participation are encouraged and truly valued. Advisory Committee members seriously consider your recommendations for program improvement.

General tasks of DPD/DI Advisory Committee:

- 1. Reviews current operations of DPD and DI Programs; makes recommendations for these programs
- 2. Reviews admission and selection procedures for applicants; assists with ranking applicants for program admission
- 3. Responds to interns' evaluations of DI program and makes recommendations
- 4. Assists faculty with making program modifications as proposed by students, preceptors, and faculty
- 5. Reviews results of interns' performance on RD exam (i.e., Commission on Dietetic Registration's examination for dietitians) and recommends program changes when appropriate

Terms

<u>Competencies</u>. Interchangeable terms for *competencies* are "supervised practice experiences" or "objectives". These hands-on professional practice experiences are summarized in the Management, Clinical, and Community Rotation sections. They meet evaluation criteria and Eligibility Requirements and Accreditation Standards set by Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education of The American Dietetic Association (CADE of ADA). Successfully completing competencies qualifies you to take the RD Exam and prepares you for professional practice as an entry-level dietitian. Note: you will often engage in "supervised practice experiences" that are additional to the "competencies" described on the Competency/Learning Outcome forms. Rejoice! At some point in your career, you will be glad for every professional tidbit you learned while on rotations.

<u>Faculty Supervisor</u>. Food and Nutrition faculty member (usually DI Program Coordinator) who meets with you and your preceptor to review your progress.

<u>Internship Site</u>. Health department, medical center, hospital or facility in which you are provided supervised practice experiences.

Objectives. See Competencies.

Preceptor. Person(s) on site who direct(s) your supervised practice experiences.

<u>Rotation</u>. A defined block of time during which you complete supervised practice experiences to develop entry-level competence as a dietitian in a specific area of dietetics practice. There is one [dietetic internship] rotation for each of 3 areas of practice. Areas of practice include food service management, clinical (medical nutrition therapy), and community/public health nutrition. Each rotation is nine, ten, or eleven weeks long (a total of 7-1/2 months when all 3 rotations have been completed) with 1200 hours of one-on-one hands-on supervised practice completed.

Rotation site experiences are for educational purposes only, and dietetic interns are not to be used to replace employees.

Descriptions of various rotations are in "ROTATIONS" binder in DI Director's office, Quigley 219E. You should review this information to learn about possible rotations. After a thorough reading of rotations descriptions, talk with DI Director about your professional goals and ask advice regarding most appropriate rotations for you. Talking with students/interns who have completed rotations may also be helpful. You may be required to interview with potential rotation sites to ensure a good fit. If you are not accepted by two or more rotation sites, SIU is not obligated to continue searching for a rotation site.

The DI Coordinator assigns you to your rotations based on your career goals, special interests, and needs. You will complete the "Student's Goals and Objectives" form, located under Intern Responsibilities, while taking FN 581 Seminar. Every effort is made to accommodate your unique situation when assigning rotations. However, keep in mind that it is very likely you will need to relocate at least once during your rotations.

NOTE: Southern Illinois University has 19 rotation sites in 4 states. There is a significant amount of legal paperwork involved in establishing and maintaining the Affiliation Agreements with these institutions. Many administrators are involved from SIUC, as well as from each site. Therefore, students do NOT set up rotations for themselves. If you have special needs or circumstances regarding your rotations placement, they should be brought to the attention of the Dietetic Internship Director as soon as possible.

Usually, you complete both management and clinical rotations in the same hospital. Your community nutrition rotation occurs in a public health facility and will likely require a great deal of traveling. You will need a reliable vehicle and a laptop computer. You will also probably attend meetings or conferences that require overnight stays in hotels (see pages 17 and 18 regarding costs during rotations).

Supervised Practice Experiences. See Competencies

Program of Study

A general "Program of Study Guide" is found under Coursework. You and DI Program Director will sign an individualized "Program of Study" about fifth week of first semester. Your program allows for some flexibility and is developed for you with assistance from DI Program Director. Your individualized Program of Study is placed in your permanent file and a copy is provided to you.

Note: Students who have not already passed (grade "B" or better) a senior level 3 credit-hour course in community nutrition must complete FN 480 (Community Nutrition, 3 credit hours) or the equivalent before taking FN 585. In addition, if you did not pass nutritional biochemistry with a grade of "B" or better, you must (re)take FN 425.

Timely Completion of Rotations

Completion of course work, thesis or research paper, and internship rotations, are accomplished in 2 years when you adhere to your program of study. If you deviate from your original "Program of Study", you may not be able to go out on rotation in a timely manner. Consequences may result in unwanted expenses while waiting for a rotation opening to occur. Also, since some courses are taught only in spring or fall, deviations from your original plan could lead to a 2-1/2-year, 3-year, or longer program.

Register Correctly for Rotations!

Doing so will save you much grief later 😊

Each rotation is a 3 credit-hour course. The type of rotation and appropriate course number must match. These are actual courses, as well as rotations. You are responsible for paying both tuition and fees pertaining to them while on rotation.

FN 580 A =	Clinical rotation
FN 580 B =	Management rotation
FN 580 C =	Community rotation

- Section Number
 - Section number for FN 580 classes, as shown in <u>Schedule of</u> <u>Classes</u>, is "000" which represents an independent study course. When you register for such a course, the instructor's number for independent study must be entered. <u>Enter "747" as section</u> <u>number</u>. (Dawn Null's instructor number is 747).
- Use a calendar to figure out which semester is appropriate.
 - If a rotation starts *after* the end of a semester, enroll in the following semester.
 - <u>Example 1</u>. If spring semester ends on May 15, and your rotation starts May 22, enroll in summer semester (even though summer semester may not officially begin for another 3 weeks).
 - <u>Example 2</u>. If summer semester ends August 3, and your rotation begins on August 6, then register for fall semester (even though classes for fall do not officially begin for another 2 weeks).

Tips for Success during Supervised Practice



Guidelines for successful supervised practice experiences are summarized in *Part II:* 7. "Tips for Success during Supervised Practice". These tips are arranged as "Do" and "Don't" lists. They provide guidance for professional behavior, and dress; they tell you what DI Program Coordinator and your Preceptors expect of you. Please review them prior to each rotation.

Code of Ethics

During rotations, and later as practicing professionals, you will be expected to adhere to "Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics" (*Part III:* 10). Principle seven of Code refers to maintaining confidentiality of information. You will sign a "Confidentiality Statement" (*Part III:* 11) before going on rotations. A copy is kept in your permanent file and additional copies are provided to each preceptor.

Rotation Site and Preceptor Requirements

Foodservice Management Rotation Site and Preceptor Requirements

- If not an RD, there must be a department director or head supervisor with a minimum of one year supervisory experience, based on resume, to mentor the intern. Experience may include education (Certified Executive Chef, Bachelor Degree in Food and Nutrition or related area, Dietary Manager Certification) as well as years of practical experience.
- 2. Facilities must have capability to assist intern in meeting all required management-related 2008 CADE competency requirements.

Clinical (MNT) Rotation Site and Preceptor Requirements

- 1. MNT Facility must be accredited/licensed by the appropriate agency, such as JACHO or the state.
- 2. Each facility should be licensed for at least 50 inpatient bed census.
- 3. Each facility must have at least one full-time RD who works with MNT patient care. The RD must have a minimum of 1 year of post-credentialing experience.
- 4. Facilities must have capability to assist intern in meeting all required MNTrelated 2008 CADE competency requirements.
- 5. Although not required, facilities where advanced practice experience are ideal. Advanced practice includes pediatrics, nutrition support, cardiac, trauma, and renal/dialysis.

Community Nutrition Rotation Site and Preceptor Requirements

- **1**. The RD(s) must have a minimum of **1** year of post-credentialing experience to be considered the primary preceptor for the intern.
- 2. In addition to RDs, interns may also be supervised by other community professionals including RNs.
- 3. Facilities must have capability to assist intern in meeting all required community-related 2008 CADE competency requirements.
- 4. During the community rotation, interns complete a major project depending on the needs of the rotation site. This project may occur in different types of facilities including state agencies (IDHS, IDPH, MoDPH, etc.), public health departments, WIC agencies, Area Agencies on Aging, a corporate setting, a school setting, or an Elderly Care facility.

Rotation facilities and primary preceptors are reviewed for the above-mentioned qualifications. Once the site and the program director have mutually agreed that it would be a good fit to mentor dietetic interns, an affiliation agreement or contract is made between SIUC and the site.

Rotation Site Affiliation Agreements Policy

Southern Illinois University Carbondale shall maintain affiliation agreements with all rotation sites actively mentoring dietetic interns. SIUC Legal Council approves the Affiliation agreements as well as the Legal Council for the rotation site. Once both parties have negotiated terms of the contract, appropriate signatures are obtained from both parties. Both parties have a signed copy of the agreement for their files. The agreements shall be in effect as of the Effective Date on the agreement and shall automatically renew each year for a period of up to 10 years, unless and until either party terminates the agreement by sending written notification of such termination to the other parties no less than 60 days prior to the end of the semester in effect at the time. Termination shall be effected at the end of that period, provided no intern currently enrolled is deprived the opportunity to complete course requirements due to this action. Notwithstanding the aforementioned, the agreement shall be subject to review every year.

Rotation Site Periodic Review

Rotation Sites are evaluated a minimum of every 5 years using the "Facilities & Professional Staff providing Supervised Practice Experiences for SIUC Dietetic Interns" form (located in Part VII: Evaluations) to assess adequacy and appropriateness. The rotation site and/or preceptor(s) is evaluated more often if there are major rotation site or preceptor changes that could affect the education and mentoring of dietetic interns or their ability to provide experiences to meet 2008 CADE competency requirements. Additionally, dietetic interns complete a rotation evaluation upon completion of each supervised practice rotation, also located in Part VII: Evaluations. The evaluations are used to assess dietetic intern satisfaction with supervised practice experiences, the rotation site, the preceptor(s), and the DI director. Feedback is provided to the preceptor when it is considered appropriate, and the DI director uses this information in planning future intern placements. No one has general access to the data.

Costs: Housing While on Rotation

While you are on rotation, you will be responsible for paying for necessary housing. Your rotation assignments will be made several months in advance, so you will have time to visit the area ahead of time and determine where you will live. Typically students must relocate at least once during their rotations. Former students (and sometimes, preceptors) can give suggestions on finding a place to live. The DI Program Coordinator started a collection of information about housing from students on rotation in 2000. This information is available in her office. Based on last year's rental figures in this area, the average cost for a one-bedroom apartment would be \$518 per month.

<u>Special reminder</u>: You will be self-supporting during the 7 ½ months you are on rotation. You will need to pay for tuition and fees (9 credit hours) during this time. If you entered this program as a Non-Illinois resident, you are advised to establish Illinois residency during your first two semesters (refer to the "Determination of Residency Status" section of the *Graduate Catalog*, *http//:www.siu.edu/gradschl*).

Note: if a rotation is in a state other than Illinois, you will want to maintain a permanent Illinois mailing address with the SIUC Bursar. Otherwise, the Bursar will assume you are not a resident of Illinois, and the higher tuition rate will apply.

Costs: Computer While on Rotation

You will need a reliable computer. Almost all of the community rotations require that you have a laptop computer. You may need to borrow or lease one for this rotation if you don't have one of your own.

Costs: Transportation and Hotels While on Rotation

Internship rotations are scheduled off campus. You will need to provide your own transportation. Internship sites range from a few miles to about 400 miles from campus. Usually, you will need to relocate once during rotations. If an assigned rotation site is more than 50 miles from your home, you should find a place to live within a few miles of rotation site during the rotation. Rotation site locations and their distances from Carbondale Internship Rotations summarizes. Management and clinical rotations (for a total of 20 weeks) are usually in one place, such as a hospital.

However, community rotations usually occur in public health settings such as Illinois Department of Human Services (one of five sites), University of Illinois Extension, or Missouri Department of Health. They offer extensive learning opportunities that require travel quite a distance from the agency. You should be prepared to pay for expenses when traveling to professional meetings at public health settings other than those specifically assigned, such as breast-feeding conferences and WIC conferences. These travels are generally within the state where the agency is located. Staying a few (to several) nights in a hotel or motel may be required. Please plan your finances in advance for these costs.

Insurance

You are covered under the University's liability insurance while on rotation if registered for SIUC course work. You will register for FN 580A, FN 580B, or FN 580C while completing supervised practice experiences. If, for some reason, you do not register for course work while completing rotations, you will need to obtain liability insurance coverage when the rotation site requires some protection against liability arising from acts of interns.

Southern Illinois University Carbondale and the Dietetic Internship Program do not assume any liability for safety in travel to or from assigned areas.

Requirements on Site

Official results of a recent TB test must be filed in your permanent file. Documentation of immunizations as outlined under "Immunization Requirements" in the <u>Graduate</u> <u>Catalog</u> must also be filed in your permanent file. Copies of your immunization records and TB test results will be sent to your preceptors.

You will be provided training about *Bloodborne Pathogens and Universal Precautions*, including Hepatitis B, from the Center for Environmental Health and Safety of Southern Illinois University Carbondale during fall orientation. Before going on rotation, you must either provide documentation of your Hepatitis B immunizations or sign a "Hepatitis B Vaccine Declination" statement (*Part III: 12*). The appropriate document is retained in your permanent file.

You are subject to rules and regulations of each rotation site while on duty, including facility's policies concerning patient or client welfare and confidentiality. You will receive HIPAA training prior to going on rotations. You are expected to adhere to the entire "Code of Ethics" of The American Dietetic Association (*Part III: 10*). You will have signed a "Confidentiality Statement" prior to going on rotation. The DI Program Coordinator sends copies of this statement to your Preceptors.

Dress Code

Appropriate dress is required for class attendance, graduate assistantship work, and supervised practice experiences. A clean, neat, "competent professional appearance" should be the goal for appropriate dress. Professional appearance backs up your body language and oral communication. This includes:

- ✓ Nice shoes no flip flops or sneakers
- ✓ No bare midriffs shirts must cover midriffs when your arms are raised and cover the back when you are bending over
- ✓ No low cut tops
- ✓ No see-through tops/bottoms; keep your undergarments covered
- ✓ No denim (unless this is usual dress at your rotation site)
- ✓ Any visible or potentially visible tattoos must be covered; Band-Aids are not an acceptable cover
- ✓ Oral and facial piercings must be removed

When in doubt, look at yourself in a full-length mirror, and ask: "Would this outfit inspire confidence in my professionalism if I were a hospital patient, physician, dietitian, preceptor, hospital administrator, or SIU faculty member? Or would it be so distracting that it would interfere with my verbal messages?" If you are unsure of the appropriateness of your clothing choices, ask the DI Director. Be aware that if you do not comply with the dress code, you will be sent home to change and you will have to make up time missed. If required by your rotation site, plan to provide your own uniform or lab coat.

Competencies

Completion of competencies (curriculum for supervised practice experiences) must be documented on appropriate forms (*Part IV: 14, Part V: 17, Part VI: 22*) and filed in your permanent file. See section on "Student Practice Review Evaluation (SPRE)", page 24.

The DI Program Coordinator - a.k.a. *faculty supervisor*-(or a designated faculty member from Food and Nutrition) schedules 3 meetings with you and your preceptor either by conference call or on-site to evaluate your progress and written experiences. These meetings are usually scheduled about the end of week 3, week 6 or 7, and again at the end of the rotation.

<u>Competencies Binder</u>. In each rotation, you summarize experiences you complete for each competency. A separate binder is used for each rotation. Your write-ups reference each competency by specific number and letter at top of page. Appropriate forms, brochures, and other supporting materials are to be included in binders. This information will be useful to you in your early working years as an entry-level dietitian.

Vacation, Holiday, and Absence Policies

Vacations are not planned into rotations. Holidays do not reduce required 5-day work week. Absences due to illness will be made up at times mutually agreed upon by your preceptor(s) and you.

Emergency Medical Procedures While on Rotation

If you have a medical emergency while on rotation, you should seek treatment at a hospital emergency room. If you have SIU Student Health insurance or private health insurance coverage, you are responsible for presenting your health insurance card.

Complaint Process

<u>On-Site:</u> If problems arise during your rotation that cannot be resolved between you and your preceptor(s), you should contact the DI Coordinator. If a preceptor contacts DI Coordinator and indicates there are problems, a conference to resolve the problem would be held. Conference members would include dietetic intern, preceptor, and DI Coordinator. A plan of action would be formulated and implemented. A follow-up evaluation would be conducted.

<u>Off-Site</u>: You may appeal decisions through University Grievance Procedure as described in SIUC's Graduate Catalog. The catalog is available on-line at <u>www.siu.edu/gradschl</u>.

<u>Through CADE</u>: The Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education (CADE) will review complaints that relate to a program's compliance with the Eligibility Requirements and Accreditation Standards or with published accreditation policies. The Commission is interested in sustained quality and continuous improvement of dietetics education programs, but does not intervene on behalf of individuals, or act as a court of appeal for individuals in matters of admission, appointment, promotion, or dismissal of faculty, staff, or students. A copy of procedure for grievance/complaint about an accredited/approved program from CADE is in *Part IX*.

Disciplinary/Termination Procedures

The procedures are consistent with the Student Conduct Code for Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Disciplinary action will be progressive and accomplished in private and constructive manner to facilitate improvement in graduate student/dietetic intern behavior and performance.

The first step in progressive disciplinary action is verbal counseling. The DI director will inform the graduate student/dietetic intern of the conduct or performance problem. If possible, the DI director will meet privately with the student/intern in-person. If the intern is on rotation, the meeting will be conducted privately via phone. The intern will have the opportunity to provide his/her side of the situation. Specific expectations for improved conduct or performance will be outlined for the student/intern. A written summary of the conversation will be filed in the student/intern's file in the DI director's office. The student/intern has 5 business days to provide a written response to the verbal counseling.

The second step in progressive disciplinary action is written counseling. The DI director will inform the graduate student/dietetic intern of the conduct or performance problem in writing. This letter will be reviewed, if possible, in-person with the student/intern. The student/intern will be given the original signed letter and a copy will be filed in the student/intern's file in the DI director's office. The student/intern has 5 business days to provide a written response to the written counseling.

The third step in progressive disciplinary action is probation. A graduate student/dietetic intern may be placed on probation when there is evidence that he/she has difficulty in complying with Standards of Professional Performance and Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics, or is unable to complete rotation requirements. One unsatisfactory 'Optional Intern Evaluation Form' completed by a preceptor may be cause for probation depending on the deficiency. The unsatisfactory rating will be noted by the DI director and preceptor on the SPRE form. All facts will be carefully reviewed and confirmed through personal interviews with preceptors, student/intern and any other involved parties prior to placing the student/intern on probation.

The DI director will discuss probationary status with intern in private. In addition, a letter outlining reason(s) for probation, performance requirements, expectations, and time frames for re-evaluation will be provided. The student/intern will receive guidance, support, and/or counseling from DI director or other appropriate support personnel to facilitate successful completion of the combined MS/DI program. The student/intern has 5 business days to provide a written response to the execution of probationary status.

If the student/intern fails to meet performance requirements or expectations, or the student/intern receives additional unsatisfactory ratings during the probationary period, the student/intern may be dismissed from the program.

At completion of the probationary period, the student/intern will be informed in writing as to whether they have been removed from probation or have been dismissed from the program. The letter will detail reasons for the decision. The DI director will be available in-person or via phone to discuss the contents of the letter with the student/intern.

Dismissal is the final step in the progressive disciplinary action. An intern may be dismissed from the program when he/she has been unable to satisfactorily complete program requirements in a one-year period, had one significant incidence of unethical behavior or misconduct, more than one incidence of noncompliance with Standards of Professional Performance and Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics, or is unable to complete rotation requirements after probationary period.

The DI director will notify the intern in a letter that they have been dismissed. A copy of the letter of dismissal will be placed in the intern's official folder in the DI director's office.

There will be **<u>NO REINSTATEMENT</u>** after termination.

The student/intern may present a written appeal of the dismissal following SIUC Academic Grievances Policy/Procedures. SIUC Academic Grievances Policy/Procedure is located in Part IX: Program Complaints of this handbook or can be accessed online at http://www.gradschool.siuc.edu/catalog_09-10.htm. Additionally, the student conduct code can be accessed at http://policies.siuc.edu/policies/conduct.html.

Evaluation: Self-Evaluation of Your Progress

Self-Assessment Tool for Public Health Nutritionists. Background information: The Public Health Nutrition Practice Group of The American Dietetic Association supported the development of a self-assessment tool to assist practitioners when implementing the Standards of Practice and to assist practitioners in objectively assessing their skills in the five general areas of public health nutrition. The completed tool could then be used to develop an appropriate career development plan. After the tool was completed, faculty realized that such a tool could also be useful in training programs. You are asked to complete the "Self-assessment tool for public health nutritionists" 3 times during your academic career at SIUC and 1 year after leaving: 1. when you enter SIUC as a graduate student in Food and Nutrition; 2. after you complete your coursework and thesis; 3. after you complete your supervised practice experiences (i.e., rotations); and 4. one year after you complete your combined Advanced Degree and Dietetic Internship Program. The tool and instructions are in Part VII: 28. Completing the self-assessment tool helps you assess your personal progress and confidence as a dietitian. Collectively, the completed assessments (they are not identified by individual) also provide SIUC with feedback on how students view their progress at various stages during and after the program.

Evaluation of: DI Program Coordinator, Preceptors, Rotations

The "Rotation Evaluation Form" (*Part VII: 27*) was piloted in spring 1995. Your candid evaluation of DI Program Coordinator's and preceptors' performances provides valuable information for sustaining best parts of program and for improving parts that

need changing. Prior to starting rotations, you will be provided a "Rotation Evaluation Form" for each rotation with instructions for returning completed forms.

Evaluation of: Your Progress by DI Program Coordinator and Preceptors

<u>Optional Intern Evaluation Form.</u> *Part VII: 29,* "Optional Intern Evaluation Form", provides preceptors with a constructive tool for providing you with clear and objective feedback in a timely manner so you can quickly correct errors. Please familiarize yourself with this form. You may want to ask your preceptors if they would be willing to complete the form for you at about your third week. Each preceptor is provided with a copy of this prior to your arrival for your rotation.

<u>Student Practice Review Evaluation (SPRE) Committee</u>. The Student Practice Review Evaluation (SPRE) Committee conducts your performance evaluations by telephone conference calls or at your rotation site. The committee consists of you, your preceptor(s), and the DI Program Coordinator.

All parties will be informed of SPRE dates prior to your first day on rotation. Competencies (*Part IV: 14, Part V: 17, Part VI: 22*) are considered complete once DI Coordinator has written notations of approval on the forms. When SPRE is conducted via telephone conference call, preceptor completes notations of approval on the forms.

Approval for each competency is given after you have successfully documented your supervised practice experiences. You submit documentation for completed competencies to preceptor(s) and DI Coordinator a few days before each evaluation visit. No fewer than 2 evaluations will be conducted per rotation. Documentation of evaluations is entered on Student Practice Review Evaluation form (*Part IV: 15, Part V: 20, Part VI: 25*).

You will be informed in writing after each review if work is not satisfactory. You will be given a minimum of 2 weeks to make up deficiencies. If work is still not satisfactory, a plan will be developed with you to complete assigned work. You will be terminated from rotation or reassigned as plan dictates. At the SPRE meeting, the DI Program Coordinator and preceptor prepare a brief statement describing your progress toward accomplishing applicable competencies for that rotation. The brief statement is recorded on the SPRE form. Note that satisfactory achievement of competencies through the first 2 evaluation meetings does not guarantee satisfactory achievement of competencies at the third evaluation meeting.

The DI Program Coordinator strongly encourages you and your preceptor(s) to make use of the "Optional Intern Evaluation Form" (*Part VII: 25*) at least once during the first few weeks of your rotation. This form supports clear communication between your preceptor and you. It will help you understand how your preceptor perceives your competence related to adaptability, professional judgment, responsibility, communication skills, personal relationships, patient rapport, and your ability to plan, organize, and apply what you have learned. At the end of each rotation, your preceptor, in consultation with faculty supervisor, will provide you with a letter grade (*Part VII: 22*).

Verification Statement to Write Registration Examination for Dietitians

Six original copies of the Verification Statement to write the Registration Examination for Dietitians ("RD exam") are issued to you upon successful completion of Advanced Degree/Dietetic Internship Program. You will use one copy when applying to the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) to write the exam. Other copies may be required by prospective employers during interim between program completion and passing RD exam. Criteria to meet before receiving your Verification Statements include:

- <u>All coursework</u> required to complete a Master of Science degree in Food and Nutrition with a grade of B or better in all core courses (see page 9).
 - <u>FN 581</u>. Remember to finish this class by completing assignments from *Part VIII: 27.* "Post-Rotation Description for Binder" and *Part VIII: 28.* "How I Completed Competencies".
- <u>Internship rotations</u> that provided Eligibility Requirements and Accreditation Standards (ERAS) mandated by CADE (the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education of The American Dietetic Association). All completed Competency/Learning Outcomes forms (the competencies) with signatures of preceptors, supervising faculty, and you must be in your permanent file.
- <u>Thesis/research paper, and defense thereof</u> as outlined in SIUC's graduate catalog.
- <u>A review course or self-study course for taking the registration examination for</u> <u>dietitians.</u> The purchase and completion of a review manual or self-study course can be used as a substitute for attending a 2-day review course. Proof of completing study guide activities (e.g., copies of completed questions, completed worksheets, completed practice examination) must be provided to DI Program Coordinator for appropriate documentation in your permanent file.

The Study Guide for the Registration Examination for Dietitians, 7th ed., from The American Dietetic Association (\$35.00 for ADA members) is an appropriate selfstudy guide. It includes a disk version that simulates the computerized registration examination format. The DI Program Coordinator has two copies in her office. You may check one out instead of buying your own.

If completion of a two-day or longer Registration Examination Review Course is your preferred method of compliance, then proof of registration (receipt for payment of course) and attendance (copy of course syllabus' first 5 pages) must be provided to DI Coordinator for inclusion in your permanent file.

Purpose of self-study or review-course-completion requirement is to provide formal preparation for writing Registration Examination for Dietitians and to provide guidance in developing a personal study plan. Intent is to increase your chances of passing RD exam on first try. Fulfilling this requirement does not guarantee that Registration Examination for Dietitians will be passed.

Important Final Task

Use *Part I: 4* for final self-assessment of program when all activities listed above have been completed. Then schedule an appointment with DI Program Coordinator (plan $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 hour) to corroborate your self-assessment. If all required materials are present in your permanent file, an official **Verification Statement to write the examination for dietitians** will be issued by DI Program Coordinator and other necessary communication with the Commission on Dietetic Registration will be completed.



Program of Study Guide

Master of Science Degree in Food and Nutrition—Concentration, Community Nutrition

and

Dietetic Internship Program—Emphasis, Community Nutrition

EXAMPLE. Fall 2011 Program Entry

38 credit hours (research paper). 38-41 credit hours (thesis) 3 cre

3 credit hours/course except EPSY 506 (4), FN 581 (1), FN 599 (3-99), FN 593 (1-3)

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2010		2011			2012		
Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring
FN 540 Nutrition Policy, Programs & Services EPSY 506 Inf Stat ANS 500 Res Method FN 581 Seminar	FN 530/ FN 585 Adv C N /ANA&Ed HED 483 HAinUS HED 593 Adv Epidemiology	FN 599 Thesis or FN 593 Res Paper	FN 574 Adv MNT FN 581 Seminar FN 599 Thesis	FN 580 Supervised Practice FN 580 Supervised Practice	FN 580 Supervised Practice		
11 hrs	9 hrs	1-3 hrs	4-7 hrs	6 hrs	3 hrs		

NOTES:

1. Up to 99 credit hours can be taken toward a thesis. Only 6 of them count toward the master's degree. Only 1 to 3 credit hours can be taken for completing a research paper.

3. Always check current <u>Schedule of Classes</u> for course offerings and times (http://registrar.siu.edu/records/schedclass.htm)

4. Some courses are offered only in the fall or only in the spring. Always work with DI Program Director when making changes to program of study.

5. Students must earn a "B" or better in core courses prior to starting rotations. These courses include FN 574 (advanced medical nutrition therapy); FN 585 (advanced community nutrition); FN 540 (nutrition policy, programs, and services); FN 530 (advanced nutritional assessment and education); FN 581 (seminar), and WED 561 (research methods). Students must also earn a grade of "B" or better in supervised practice courses: FN 580 A, B, C, (nutrition practicum in the community: 580 A clinical, 580 B management, 580 C community).

6. FN 425 (Energy and Protein Utilization) and FN 480 (Community Nutrition) are required if not taken as an undergraduate, or if grade was less than a "B".

Individualized Program of Study

Master of Science in Food and Nutrition—Concentration, Community Nutrition

and

Dietetic Internship Program—Emphasis, Community Nutrition

Name

ID

Permanent Address

Local Address

		COURSE	CR		
TERM	YEAR	NO.	HRS	COURSE TITLE	
Fall	2011	FN 540	3	Nutrition Policy Programs & Services	
		EPSY 506	4	Inferential Statistics	
		ANS 500	3	Research Methods	
		FN 581	1	Seminar	
		Total	11	Credit Hours	
Spring	2012	FN 530/585	3	Advanced Nutritional Assessment & Education/	
				Advanced Community Nutrition	
		HED 593	3	Epidemiology ¹	
		HED 483	3	Community Health Administration in US ²	
		Total	9	Credit Hours	
Summer	2012	FN 599	3	Thesis ³	
		<u>OR</u> FN 593	3	Research Paper ⁴	
		Total	3	Credit Hours	
Fall	2012	FN 581	1	Seminar	
		FN 574	3	Advanced Medical Nutrition Therapy	
		FN 599	3	Thesis	
		Total	7	Credit Hours	
Spring	2013	FN 580B	3	Supervised Practice - Management	
		FN 580A	3	Supervised Practice - Clinical	
		Total	6	Credit Hours	
G	2012		2		
Summer	2013	FN 580C	3	Supervised Practice - Community	
		Total	3	Credit Hours	

¹ HED 493 (3 cr hrs) Public Health Informatics (vital statistics) may be taken instead.

² HED 500 (3 cr hrs) Community Organization for Health Education <u>OR</u> HED 532 Administration may be taken instead depending on your career goals.

 $^{^{3}}$ FN 599 (3 cr hrs) Minimum required thesis credit hours = 3; maximum hours = 6.

⁴ FN 593 (1 - 3 cr hrs) Research Paper. If this choice, be aware that maximum total credit hours = 3.

Individualized Program of Study

Name:

Advisor for Thesis or Research Paper:

Additional Committee Members (1 FN and 1 outside dept):

Proposed Topic:

Signatures

(Student)

Date

(D.I. Director)

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Check List for Dietetic Internship and Master's Degree in Food and Nutrition—Concentration, Community Nutrition

Verification Statement of readiness to take RD Exam is issued AFTER all items are completed.

Name	Dawg #	
ITEM		Date or Notation
Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) Verification ^{1,2} COMPLETED !		
OFFICIAL ORIGINAL FINAL TRANSCRIPTS SHOWING DEGREE ²		
Program of Study (signed) ²		
Rotation Sites	Clinical:	
	Management:	
	Community:	
Confidentiality Statement (student sign) ¹		
Proof of Immunity ^{1,3} and Current TB Test ¹		
Hepatitis B Vaccination	Completed:	
Hepatitis B Declination Statement Signed ¹	Declined ⁵ :	
Vita or Resume ¹		
Objectives for supervised practice experience ¹		
Self Assessment Tool for Public Health Nutritionists completed	Before Course Work:	
	Before Practicum:	
	After Practicum:	
	1 Year after Practicum	
Selected Thesis or Research Report Advisor (and committee)		
Selected Thesis or Research Report Topic:		
Oral Comprehensive Exam (thesis defense) Scheduled		
Oral Comprehensive Exam Passed ⁴		
Thesis or Research Report Accepted by Grad School ⁴		
Clinical Rotation	Competency Forms	
	SPRE Form & Grade Sheet	
Management Rotation	Competency Forms	
	Grade Sheet	
Community Rotation	Competency Forms	
	Grade Sheet	
Rotation Evaluation Forms (Student Handbook)	Clinical	
	Management	
	Community	
Post-Rotation Description (Student Handbook)		
How I Completed Competencies (Student Handbook)		
Comprehensive Exam or Review Course ⁴		
ORIG. RDE Misuse Student signature Form		
ORIG . Verif. Statement Issued to write RD Examination ⁴ (1 for stu's file)		
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¹Required before starting supervised practice experience.

²Required before registering for second semester. ³Immunization requirements as outlined in the Graduate Catalog and DI Handbook.

Internship Sites & Preceptors

Internship Site	Primary Preceptor	Other Preceptors	Address	Phone	E-Mail
Adolescent Health Center *Currently Inactive*			101 S. Wall Street Carbondale, IL 62901	618-529-2621	
CHESI	Kate Zager, MS, RD		13245 Kessler Road Cairo, IL 62914		katez2@verizon.net
Deaconess Hospital (interview student In advance)	<i>Jill Owens, MS, RD, Mgmt</i> <i>Sally Dominick, RD, MNT</i> Lisa Caridano-Johnson, RD Kimberly Blair, Ellen Pacheki, Sara Heern, Caleb Wathen, Ron Nesler	Mr Carni – Dir., Dietary Serv Linda White, Sr VP & COO Sandy Moody – Secretary Jennifer Deutch	600 Mary Street Evansville, IN 47747	Jill 812.450.2195 Dietitians 812.450.2196	jill_owens@deaconess.com dietitians@deaconess.com
Family Care Health Centers Forest Park Southeast	Beth Kreisler, RD, LD Annie Bell, MS, RD	Amy Callico, RD, LD Nutrition Services and WIC Coordinator	401 Holly Hills Ave. St Louis, MO 63111	314.353.5190 x3043	bella@lpha.health.state.mo.us callia@lpha.dhss.mo.gov
Franklin Community Care Services (Hosp & skilled Nursing Care U) * Currently Inactive *		Becky Lewis, RD, LDN Beth Rod, RD, LDN Bill Marshall	201 Bailey Lane Benton, IL 62812	618.439.3161 x21294	Kathy.cox@sih.net
Heartland Regional Medical Center	Cynthia York-Camden, MS, RD, LDN (Mgmt), F&N Dir.		3333 West Deyoung Marion, IL 62959	618.998.7050 618.998.7839	Cynthia@sinutrition.com Cynthia_york-camden@chs.net
Herrin Hospital	Jeannine Hutchcraft, RD, MNT Scott Brinker, Mgmt	Melaina Lane, MS, RD Crystal Middleton, MS, RD	201 South 14 th Street Herrin, IL 62948	618-942-2171	<u>Jeannine.hutchcraft@sih.net</u> Douglas.brinker@sih.net
IL Dept of Human Services Springfield	All IDHS: PENNY ROTH Penny Roth, MS, RD, LDN Bureau of Family Nutrition	Stephanie Bess, MS, RD Nutrition Services Coordinator Bureau of Family Nutrition	535 West Jefferson Springfield, IL 62702	217.782.2166	Penny.Roth@illinois.gov Stephanie.bess@illinois.gov
IL Dept of Human Services Rockford	Regional Nutritionist Consultant	Shirley Smith, MS, RD	4402 North Main Street Rockford, IL 61103	815-987-7964	Shirley.r.smith@illinois.gov
IL Dept of Human Services Chicago	Regional Nutritionist Consultant	LaShon Reese, Med, RD, LDN	1112 S. Wabash, 3 rd Floor Chicago, IL 60605	312.793.8815	Lashon.reese@illinois.gov
	State Breastfeeding Coordinator	Brenda Snyder, MS, RD		312-793-1643	Brenda.snyder@illinois.gov

Internship Site	Primary Preceptor	Other Preceptors	Address	Phone	E-Mail
IL Dept of Human Services Du Quoin	Regional Nutritionist Consultant	Brenda Green, MS, RD, LDN	314 N. Maple Du Quoin, IL 62832	618.542.1336	BRENDA.GREEN@illinois.gov
IL Dept of Human Services Marion	Regional Nutritionist Consultant Regional Nutritionist Consultant	Cheryl Metheny, MS, RD, CDE, CLC, LDN (Fall-No Students) Melissa Fay Banz, MS, RD, LDN	102 East DeYoung Marion, IL 62959	618.993.7493 618.993.7494	CHERYL.METHENY@illinois.gov Melissa.Banz@illinois.gov
IL Dept of Human Services Monmouth * Currently Inactive *		Janet Foltz, MS, RD, LDN	1245 S Main, PO Box 80 Monmouth, IL 61462-0080	309.734.2159	
Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center	Patti Delger, RD, LDN BF Coord. <u>pdelger@co.lake.il.us</u> <i>Katie Parry, MPH, RD, LDN WIC</i> kparry@co.lake.il.us	Melinda Lund, MS, RD, LDN <u>mlund@co.lake.il.us</u> Assistant Coordinator	2400 Belvidere Road Waukegan, IL 60085-2399	847.377.8481 Patti 847.377.8420 Clinic	
Memorial Hospital of Carbondale	David Gray (Food Service)	Jan Danley, MS, RD, LDN Stephanie Wood, RD, LDN	405 West Jackson PO Box 10,000 Carbondale, IL 62902	618.549.0721 X 65165 David X 65226 Dietitians	<u>David.gray@sih.net</u> Jan.Danley@sih.net
Missouri Dept of Health & Senior Services * <i>Currently Inactive</i> *	Vicki Strickland, MA, RD, LD, Nutrition Specialist Director of the Program for Dietetic Interns WIC and Nutrition Services Section for Chronic Disease Prevention & Nutr. Svces Division of Community and Public Health	Rosalind M Wilkins, MS, RD Chief, Bureau of Nutr Pol & Ed Donna J Mehrle, MPH, RD Assoc Chief Bur Nutr Ser & WIC	PO Box 570 Jefferson City, MO 65102-0570	Vicki's office: 573.751.6204 Fax: 573.526.1470	Case-sensitive: vicki.strickland@dhss.mo.gov 1.888.435.1464
Saint Elizabeth Hospital Saint Mary of Nazareth Hospital Center * Currently Inactive *	Janet Krzeminski, MS, RD, LD Chief Clinical Dietitian		2233 West Division Street Chicago, IL 60622	312.770.2165	JKrzeminski@ResHealthcare.org
Saint John's Mercy Medical Center	Timothy D Knipe	Maggie Long, MA, RD Clinical Nutrition Manager Jerry Campione, CEC, Fd Productn Mngr, Culinary Services	Nutrition & Culinary Services 615 New Ballas Road St Louis, MO 63141-8277	314.251.6282 Fax: 314.251.1881 314.251.1876	Maggie <u>maggie.long@mercy.net</u> Jerry <u>gerard.campioine@mercy.net</u>
Saint Louis Area Agency on Aging	David Sykora	Rochelle Hill, RD	1520 Market Street 4th Floor Rm # 4065 Saint Louis, MO 63103	314.657.1672	hillro@stlouiscity.com sykorad@stlouiscity.com
Mid-East Area Agency on Aging		Nancy Spear, RD	14535 Manchester Road Manchester, MO 63011-3960	636.207.0847, ext.125	nspear@mid-eastaaa.org
Southern Illinois University Head Start	Cathy Reed, Director	Toni Kay Wright, MS, RD	Carbondale, IL 62901	618-453-6448	<u>cjreed@siu.edu</u> <u>tkwright@siu.edu</u>
St. Francis Medical Center	Roseanne Meyers 573.331.5142	Lori Pettet, RD 573.331.5145	Food & Nutrition Services 211 St Francis Drive Cape Girardeau, MO 63703-8399		

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St Mary's/Good Samaritan, Inc.	Jean Wood, MS, RD, LDN Director, Nutr Services Hollie Colle MS, RD, Clin Mngr Nutr Serv	Good Sam 605 N 12 th Str Mt V IL 62864	St Mary's 400 N Pleasant Centralia IL 62801	618.241.3807 618.241.2257	Jean_wood@ssmhc.com hollie_colle@ssmhc.com
University of Illinois Extension			Mt Vernon Center 4112 N Water Tower Place Mt Vernon, IL 62864	618.242.9310	
Vanderburgh County Health Department	Diana Simpson, BSN	Lynette Calloway, RD Nancy Fasnach, RD John Heidingsfelder, MD, Health Officer	Oak Park Professional Building 420 Mulberry Street Evansville, IN 47713	812.435.5701 812.435.5778	dsimpson@sigecom.net
Veterans Administration Medical Center	Sandy Long, RD, LDN John Sullivan, Mgmt	Ruth Converse, RD, LDN Natalie DeMello, MS, RD, LDN Michele Martin, MS, RD (Mgmt)	2401 West Main Marion, IL 62959	618.997.5311 Ext 54268 Sandy Ext 54511 John	Sandra.Long@va.gov John.Sullivan3@va.gov Diet Ofc. 54315
Western Baptist Hospital	Ruth Kraper, RD (Pam) Crissy Shelton	Richard Kilgore, Director Ryan Hayes, Assist. Director Brenda McConnell, Assist Dir	Food and Nutrition Services 2501 Kentucky Ave Paducah, KY 42003-3200	270.575.2141 270.575.2143	rkraper@bhsi.com

Rotations by Location

(One way mileage)

STATE	CITY	SITE	MILES from C'DALE	ROTATION TYPE
	Carbondale	Memorial Hosp Carbondale	0	Mgmt & Clin
	Cairo	CHESI	54	Community
	Centralia	St Mary's Hospital	70	Mgmt & Clin
	Chicago	IDHS	340	Community
	DuQuoin	IDHS	21	Community
	Marion	IDHS	20	Community
	Marion	Heartland Regional Medical Ctr	16	Mgmt & Clin
	Marion	VA Medical Center	16	Mgmt & Clin
	Mt Vernon	Univ of IL Extension	60	Community
	Rockford	IDHS	390	Community
	Springfield	IDHS	190	Community
	Waukegan	Lake Co Health Dept & CHC	380	Community

7	Evansville	Deaconess	101	Mgmt & Clin
=	Evansville	Vanderburgh Co. Health Dept	101	Community

КУ	Paducah	Western Baptist Hospital	80	Mgmt & Clin	
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	Cape Girardeau	Saint Francis Medical Center	50	Mgmt & Clin
URI	Cape Girardeau	Southeast Missouri Hospital	50	Mgmt & Clin
MISSOURI	Jefferson City	State of Missouri Dept of Health and Senior Services	250	Community
MIS	St Louis	Family Care Health Centers of Carondolet	110	Community
	St Louis	St John's Mercy Medical Center	120	Mgmt & Clin
	St Louis	St Louis Area Agency on Aging	110	Community

Tips for Success during Supervised Practice

Progressive Steps Through Supervised Practice	Do	<u>Don't</u>
Self-Assessment: Acceptance of Placement	 Analyze your interests, values & goals & be certain your faculty advisor is fully aware of them. Despite temporary placement & student status, regard yourself as a professional & a member of the staff. Prepare yourself to expect & accept that problems & frustrations will occur. When problems occur, be patient & pleasant; cope with problems with an attitude toward solution & negotiation. 	 Do not act as if you know all the answers. Remember, as a student, you are placed in the agency for a learning experience. Do not let yourself become involved in internal conflicts
Routine Office Matters	 Be sure to find out where you are to work—office, desk space, chair, telephone, etc. so you know your operational base. Be aware of office practices regarding dress, protocol, office hours and flexibility, holidays. Follow rules set for regular staff. 	1. Do not expect any special treatment.
Orientation	 Request & read information you need regarding the organizational structure, names of key people, office policies & procedures to facilitate your orientation. Determine what information you may need which has already been compiled. Find out who is knowledgeable in your own office and others. Become familiar with the entire agency so you can see where you fit. 	 Do not take too long to familiarize yourself with the agency, staff, etc. Do not let yourself "take sides" in office politics. Do not be critical of the nutrition staff if documents & plans do not follow the format learned in school. The format & procedures for such documents as plans, budgets, etc. are usually dictated by the agency or a higher governmental entity.
	Review: a. Annual reports, program plans, program descriptions, etc. b. Budget documents c. Organization charts	
Integrating into the New Environment	 Initially, learn to fit in by being formal toward everyone. Then gradually, depending upon the climate, establish friendships or at least pleasant working relationships with other employees. Learn quickly, the people who facilitate the work-flow. Attempt to gain an appreciation for the clerical and secondary functions of the agency, for they are the building blocks of the primary mission. A 	 Do not become so assertive as to threaten other employees; however, appear competent enough to establish a basis for receiving favorable recommendations. Do not exercise authority. However, do be ready to offer suggestions. Do not become "pigeon-holed", but attempt to expand your knowledge by contacting program managers in other divisions to gain insight into the organization as a whole. Contacting

		finished project can be delayed,		managers in other agency units or
	4.	altered, or expedited depending upon the inclination of the clerical staff! Develop a list of persons to know in your working environment so when you need to contact them, you have their phone numbers. You may want to include other information, e.g., the		other agencies should always be coordinated through your preceptor.
	5.	context of your meeting, the date, the person's position, etc. In order to become involved with the process of management, make an effort to attend meetings, be included on reading lists, and in other day-to- day management activities.		
	6.	Record events that occur to assist with preparation of your documentation for the competencies (keep a daily journal of what you are doing and learning).		
Establishing the Task(s) & Assignments	1. 2.	Establish the expectations, limitations, and directions of the competencies with your preceptor at the beginning of your rotation. Evaluate your assignments in terms of the amount of time available during	1. 2.	Do not hesitate to contact the internship director if the experiences are not in line with the competencies. If you feel a task is irrelevant, do not accept the task without asking questions about its relevance.
	3.	your rotation. If occasionally asked to perform routine work, remain pleasant and complete the tasks. However, if a majority of your assignments constitute busywork, speak with your preceptor. If necessary, inform the Dietetic Internship Program director and ask for assistance.	3. 4.	However, do not ask questions in such a way as to be offensive. Do not allow yourself to be overloaded with tasks no other staff member will do. Once you have learned a procedure or task, do not be tempted to repeat it. Your mission is to move on and gain as much varied experience as
	4.	Plan carefully around the time available to you so time limitations will not be a problem. Draw a time line so you and your supervisor will be able to realize the time required for an assignment.	5. 6.	possible. Do not pretend you performed a certain type of task when, in fact, you have not; do not refrain from asking questions until you understand the task at hand. If you leave an unfinished product, do not leave it in such a condition that no one else would be able to continue working with it.
Developing Student/Preceptor Rapport	1.	Establish a good working relationship so you will be able to talk freely about what you are receiving or lacking from the experience. Assure your field advisor you have a	1.	Do not fail to have regularly-scheduled meetings with your field advisor so you can acquire feedback.
		desire to learn and you are putting forth all efforts to make the experience worthwhile. If you suffer from "lack of guidance",		
		remedy the situation by either approaching your preceptor or dietetic		

	internship director. However, it is	
	internship director. However, it is necessary to respect the preceptor's	
	extensive responsibilities and to be as	
	understanding of his/her work	
	schedule as he/she is of yours.	
	4. You should be innovative and not	
	expect constant supervision. Be	
	positive and demonstrate initiative.	
	5. With respect to your preceptor,	
	remember he/she is responsible for	
	your relations with other sections &	
	departments. Make contacts	
	pleasant, productive, and quick—not	
	wanting to be the cause of any	
	negative feelings between you and	
	others.	
Vital Elements of	1. Do make the most of your situation.	1. Do not become discouraged when
Successful Experience	Gain as much experience and	your prepared reports go through
	knowledge as possible, and at the	a refining process when reviewed
	same time make a meaningful	by staff. Remember, they are the
	contribution to the agency.	experts and know what will get
	2. Follow through on whatever job you	the job done. Your job is to gain
	undertake; deadlines are important	experience and knowledge while
	and should be strictly adhered to.	keeping an open mind
	3. As a student, be aware that	2. Do not refrain from contributing.
	educational training is an important	3. Do not be defensive when you make
	tool to be used in the working world.	mistakes. Mark it off as par for the
	The classroom theories are helpful,	course and continue on. Remember
	but there are exceptions and	you are there to develop your talents
	situations that require flexibility and	and skills.
	experience when putting book-	4. Do not allow yourself to become
	learning to work in the "real world."	involved in issues which came to
	4. Develop and maintain careful, quality	friction before you came on board, nor
	work habits.	
		become involved in office politics (be
	5. Since staff may be busy, schedule	an impartial observer).
	meetings with individuals several days	•
	in advance.	
	6. Take advantage of training workshops	
	offered inside and outside of the	
	organization.	
	7. Keep a positive attitude and	
	remember that new ideas take a long	
	time to implement.	
Future Direction	1. Be aware of the possibility you may	1. Do not expect to be an expert upon
	discover a change in your career	completion of your supervised
	objectives based upon your	experiences. But do realize you will be
	experiences.	"practice-ready" as an entry level
		dietitian.

Adapted from Koehler, Cortus T.: The Intern and the Internship from Beginning to End, Teaching Pol. Sci., pp. 329-335, April, 1980.

Rotation Binders and Faculty Supervisor Visits

- Before you start your rotations, you will be provided with 3 blank Curriculum Guide Forms: one each for clinical, management, and community. Bring the appropriate form to each Student Practice Review Evaluation (SPRE) with your preceptor and faculty supervisor. *Have this form with you for both telephone conference visits as well as on-site visits*. You will be responsible for these forms until they are completed and filed in your permanent file in DI Program Director's office.
- 2. As appropriate, please write notes on Competency/Learning Outcomes forms, <u>except</u> under E/S/U/I column. Your faculty supervisor indicates excellent (E), satisfactory (S), unsatisfactory (U), or incomplete (I) in the S/U/I column of Form 6a. During SPRE meetings held by telephone conference call, your faculty supervisor may ask your preceptor to indicate your progress in the E/S/U/I column.
- 3. Some preceptors are interested in initialing completed competencies and some are not. Please be sensitive to their preferences on this issue.
- 4. Before your rotations, procure 3 large 3-ring binders (D-ring binders work best).
- 5. Prepare lift-off tabs or index dividers and label each as a competency. For example:
 - 1.A. 1.B.
 - 2.A.
- You may devise a different system, if you get your faculty supervisor's approval first. *Keep your written work and supporting materials organized by competency number and letter.* These materials will be useful to you as you begin your early career as a dietitian. The forms and examples from your rotations will provide you with valuable resources!
- 6. Send, personally deliver, or email your competency descriptions and supporting materials (brochures, etc.) to your faculty supervisor prior to each SPRE visit. Allow two or more days reviewing time. If you send to SIU, it may take longer.

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802 Cottonwood Lane	Food and Nutrition Mailcode 4317			
Carterville, IL 62918	Southern Illinois University			
	Carbondale, IL 62901			

7. Do not provide faculty supervisor with your entire binder! Send only your current written materials that need review along with their supporting documents. Your materials will be returned to you in the same order they are received.

CORE COMPETENCIES* & SUPERVISED PRACTICE

1. Scientific and Evidence Base of Practice: integration of scientific information and research into practice. Upon completion of the DI, graduates are able to:

Graduate Coursework	DI Rotation	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Community (Part VI: #19)	Management (Part V: #18)	Clinical (Part IV: #14)
	Mgmt, Clinical, Community	DI 1.1 Select appropriate indicators and measure achievement of clinical, programmatic, quality, productivity, economic or other outcomes	√	~	√
FN 574 (Grade:) Thesis Project Advisor: (Pass/Fail)	Clinical	DI 1.2 Apply evidence-based guidelines, systematic reviews and scientific literature (such as the ADA Evidence Analysis Library, Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, National Guideline Clearinghouse Web sites) in the nutrition care process and model and other areas of dietetics practice			•
	Community	DI 1.3 Justify programs, products, services and care using appropriate evidence or data	✓		
FN 581 (Grade:) Thesis Project Advisor: (Pass/Fail)	Clinical, Community	DI 1.4 Evaluate emerging research for application in dietetics practice	√		√
Thesis Project Advisor: (Pass/Fail)	Community	DI 1.5 Conduct research projects using appropriate research methods, ethical procedures and statistical analysis	~		

*Competency statements are from the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education of The American Dietetic Association, 2008 Eligibility Requirements and Accreditation Standards for Dietetic Internship Programs (DI).

2. Professional Practice Expectations: beliefs, values, attitudes and behaviors for the professional dietitian level of practice.

Graduate Coursework	DI Rotation	Competencies/Learning Outcomes C		Management (Part V: #18)	Clinical (Part IV: #14)
	Mgmt, Clinical, Community	DI 2.1 Practice in compliance with current federal regulations and state statutes and rules, as applicable and in accordance with accreditation standards and the ADA Scope of Dietetics Practice Framework, Standards of Professional Performance and Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics	~	✓	•
FN 540: Book Review (GP Grade:) Letters to Policy Makers (LP Grade:) Legislation (L Grade:) (Overall:) FN 530: Site Experience (SE Grade:) (Overall:) Thesis Project (Pass/Fail)	Mgmt, Clinical, Community	DI 2.2 Demonstrate professional writing skills in preparing professional communications (e.g. research manuscripts, project proposals, education materials, policies and procedures)	•	•	•
FN 530: Site Experience (SE Grade:) Nutrition Project (NP Grade:) (Overall:)	Mgmt, Clinical, Community	DI 2.3 Design, implement and evaluate presentations considering life experiences, cultural diversity and educational background of the target audience	•	•	✓
FN 530:	Clinical	DI 2.4 Use effective education and counseling skills to facilitate behavior change			\checkmark

Graduate Coursework			Community (Part VI: #19)	Management (Part V: #18)	Clinical (Part IV: #14)
FN 581 (Grade:)	Mgmt, Clinical, Community	DI 2.5 Demonstrate active participation, teamwork and contributions in group settings	✓	✓	✓
	Clinical	DI 2.6 Assign appropriate patient care activities to DTRs and/or support personnel considering the needs of the patient/client or situation, the ability of support personnel, jurisdictional law, practice guidelines and policies within the facility			•
FN 540:	Clinical, Community	DI 2.7 Refer clients and patients to other professionals and services when needs are beyond individual scope of practice	✓		✓
FN 540: Needs Assessment (NA Grade:) (Overall:) FN530 Site Experience (SE Grade:) (Overall:)	Mgmt, Clinical DI 2.8 Demonstrate initiative by proactively developing solutions to problems			•	•
	Mgmt, Clinical, Community	DI 2.9 Apply leadership principles effectively to achieve desired outcomes	✓	•	✓
SIDA, IDA, & ADA	Mgmt, Clinical, Community	DI 2.10 Serve in professional and community organizations	✓	✓	✓
	Mgmt, Clinical, Community	DI 2.11 Establish collaborative relationships with internal and external stakeholders, including patients, clients, care givers, physicians, nurses and other health professionals, administrative and support personnel to facilitate individual and organizational goals	•	•	•

Graduate Coursework	DI Rotation	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Community (Part VI: #19)	Management (Part V: #18)	Clinical (Part IV: #14)
	Mgmt, Clinical, Community	DI 2.12 Demonstrate professional attributes such as advocacy, customer focus, risk taking, critical thinking, flexibility, time management, work prioritization and work ethic within various organizational cultures	~	✓	✓
FN 581 (Grade:)	Mgmt, Clinical, Community	DI 2.13 Perform self assessment, develop goals and objectives and prepare a draft portfolio for professional development as defined by the Commission on Dietetics Registration	~	✓	✓
FN 530:	Mgmt, Clinical, Community	DI 2.14 Demonstrate assertiveness and negotiation skills while respecting life experiences, cultural diversity and educational background		~	✓

3. Clinical and Customer Services: development and delivery of information, products and services to individuals, groups and populations

FN 574 (Grade:)	Clinical	DI 3.1 Perform the Nutrition Care Process (a through d below) and use standardized nutrition language for individuals, groups and populations of differing ages and	✓	✓
FN 540:		 health status, in a variety of settings DI 3.1.a. Assess the nutritional status of individuals, groups and populations in a variety of settings where nutrition care is or can be delivered DI 3.1.b.Diagnose nutrition problems and create problem, etiology, signs and symptoms (PES) statements DI 3.1.c. Plan and implement nutrition interventions to include prioritizing the nutrition diagnosis, formulating a nutrition prescription, establishing goals and selecting and managing intervention DI 3.1.d. Monitor and evaluate problems, etiologies, signs, symptoms and the impact of interventions on the nutrition diagnosis 		

Graduate Coursework	DI Competencies/Learning Outcomes Rotation		Community (Part VI: #19)	Management (Part V: #18)	Clinical (Part IV: #14)
Mgmt, Clinical, Communi		DI 3.2 Develop and demonstrate effective communications skills using oral, print, visual, electronic and mass media methods for maximizing client education, employee training and marketing	√	•	✓
	Mgmt	DI 3.3 Demonstrate and promote responsible use of resources including employees, money, time, water, energy, food and disposable goods.		•	
FN 530: Site Experience (SE Grade:) (Overall:)	Community	DI 3.4 Develop and deliver products, programs or services that promote consumer health, wellness and lifestyle management merging consumer desire for taste, convenience and economy with nutrition, food safety and health messages and interventions	✓		
	Clinical, Community	DI 3.5 Deliver respectful, science-based answers to consumer questions concerning emerging trends	✓		✓
	Mgmt	DI 3.6 Coordinate procurement, production, distribution and service of goods and services		✓	
	Mgmt	DI 3.7 Develop and evaluate recipes, formulas and menus for acceptability and affordability that accommodate the cultural diversity and health needs of various populations, groups and individuals		✓	

4. Practice Management and Use of Resources: strategic application of principles of management and systems in the provision of services to individuals and organizations.

Graduate Coursework	DI Rotation	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Community (Part VI: #19)	Management (Part V: #18)	Clinical (Part IV: #14)
	Mgmt	DI 4.1 Use organizational processes and tools to manage human resources		✓	
	Mgmt	DI 4.2 Perform management functions related to safety, security and sanitation that affect employees, customers, patients, facilities and food		•	
	Mgmt	DI 4.3 Apply systems theory and a process approach to make decisions and maximize outcomes		~	
FN 540: Legislation (L Grade:) (Overall:)	Community	DI 4.4 Participate in public policy activities, including both legislative and regulatory initiatives	~		
(Mgmt, Clinical	DI 4.5 Conduct clinical and customer service quality management activities		✓	✓
	Mgmt, Clinical, Community	DI 4.6 Use current informatics technology to develop, store, retrieve and disseminate information and data	 ✓ 	✓	✓
	Mgmt, Clinical	DI 4.7 Prepare and analyze quality, financial or productivity data and develops a plan for intervention		✓	✓
	Mgmt	DI 4.8 Conduct feasibility studies for products, programs or services with consideration of costs and benefits		~	
	Mgmt	DI 4.9 Obtain and analyze financial data to assess budget controls and maximize fiscal outcomes		✓	

Graduate Coursework	DI Rotation	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Community (Part VI: #19)	Management (Part V: #18)	Clinical (Part IV: #14)
FN 530: Nutrition Project (NP Grade:) (Overall:)	Mgmt	DI 4.10 Develop a business plan for a product, program or service including development of a budget, staffing needs, facility requirements, equipment and supplies	or 🗸		
FN 574: (Overall:)	Clinical	DI 4.11 Complete documentation that follows professional guidelines, guidelines required by health care systems and guidelines required by the practice setting			✓
	Clinical	DI 4.12 Participate in coding and billing of dietetics/nutrition services to obtain reimbursement for services from public or private insurers			✓

5. Community emphasis competencies/learning outcomes.

FN 530: Book Review (BR Grade:) 40-hr Site Experience (SE Grade:) (Overall:)	Community	DI 5.1 Observe and evaluate nutrition and health care for diverse population groups across the lifespan.	•	
FN 540: Programs Project (PrP Grade:) (Overall:)	Community	DI 5.2 Conduct community-based nutrition and health program outcome assessment/evaluation.	~	

Graduate Coursework	DI Rotation	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Community (Part VI: #19)	Management (Part V: #18)	Clinical (Part IV: #14)
	Community	DI 5.3 Compare and contrast community-based food and nutrition programs.	✓		
Needs		DI 5.4 Participate in needs assessment, nutrition surveillance and/or monitoring of target groups or communities	✓		
	Community	DI 5.5 Participate in community-based research.	✓		
FN 540: Legislation (L Grade:) (Overall:)	Community	DI 5.6 Participate in nutrition and health policy development and evaluation based on community needs and resources	~		
FN 540: Programs project (PrP Grade:) (Overall:)	Community	DI 5.7 Consult with organizations regarding food access for target populations	~		
FN 540: Grant proposal (GP Grade:) (Overall:)	Community	DI 5.8 Develop a health promotion/disease prevention intervention project.	~		
	Community	DI 5.9 Participate in waived point-of-care testing, such as hematocrit and blood glucose levels, and conduct general health assessment, e.g., blood pressure and vital signs.	~		

Part III: Intern Responsibilities

Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics¹

from the association

American Dietetic Association/Commission on Dietetic Registration Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics and Process for Consideration of Ethics Issues

PREAMBLE

The American Dietetic Association (ADA) and its credentialing agency, the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR), believe it is in the best interest of the profession and the public it serves to have a Code of Ethics in place that provides guidance to dietetics practitioners in their profes-sional practice and conduct. Dietetics practitioners have voluntarily adopted this Code of Ethics to reflect the values (Figure) and ethical principles guiding the dietetics profession and to set forth commitments and obligations of the dietetics practitioner to the public, clients, the profession, colleagues, and other professionals. The current Code of Ethics was approved on June 2, 2009, by the ADA Board of Directors, House of Delegates, and the Commission on Dietetic Registration.

APPLICATION

The Code of Ethics applies to the following practitioners:

- (a) In its entirety to members of ADA who are Registered Dietitians (RDs) or Dietetic Technicians, Registered (DTRs);
- (b) Except for sections dealing solely with the credential, to all members of ADA who are not RDs or DTRs; and
- (c) Except for aspects dealing solely with membership, to all RDs and DTRs who are not members of ADA.

All individuals to whom the Code applies are referred to as "dietetics practitioners," and all such individuals who are RDs and DTRs shall be known as "credentialed practitioners." By accepting membership in ADA and/or accept-

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PRINCIPLES

Fundamental Principles

- 1. The dietetics practitioner conducts himself/herself with honesty, integrity, and fairness.
- 2. The dietetics practitioner supports and promotes high standards of professional practice. The dietetics practitioner accepts the obligation to protect clients, the public, and the profession by upholding the Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics and by reporting perceived violations of the Code through the processes established by ADA and its credentialing agency, CDR.

Responsibilities to the Public

- 3. The dietetics practitioner considers the health, safety, and welfare of the public at all times. The dietetics practitioner will report inappropriate behavior or treatment of a client by another dietetics practitioner or other
- professionals. 4. The dietetics practitioner complies with all laws and regulations applicable or related to the profession or to the practitioner's ethical obligations as described in this Code.
 - a. The dietetics practitioner must not be convicted of a crime under the laws of the United States, whether a felony or a misdemeanor, an essential element of which is dishonesty.

- b. The dietetics practitioner must not be disciplined by a state for conduct that would violate one or more of these principles.
- c. The dietetics practitioner must not commit an act of misfeasance or malfeasance that is directly related to the practice of the profession as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction, a licensing board, or an agency of a governmental body.
- The dietetics practitioner provides professional services with objectivity and with respect for the unique needs and values of individuals.
 - a. The dietetics practitioner does not, in professional practice, discriminate against others on the basis of race, ethnicity, creed, religion, disability, gender, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, economic status, or any other legally protected category.
 b. The dietetics practitioner pro-
 - b. The dietetics practitioner provides services in a manner that is sensitive to cultural differences.
 - c. The dietetics practitioner does not engage in sexual harassment in connection with professional practice.
- 6. The dietetics practitioner does not engage in false or misleading practices or communications.
 - The dietetics practitioner does not engage in false or deceptive advertising of his or her services.
 - b. The dietetics practitioner promotes or endorses specific goods or products only in a manner that is not false and misleading.
 - c. The dietetics practitioner provides accurate and truthful information in communicating with the public.

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ADA values	Principles
<i>Customer Focus:</i> Meets the needs and exceeds expectations of internal and external customers	#5, #9
Integrity: Acts ethically with accountability for life-long learning and commitment to excellence	#1, #2, #4, #5, #6, #7 #10, #11, #12, #13, #17, #18
Innovation: Embraces change with creativity and strategic thinking	<i>#11, #10</i>
Social Responsibility: Makes decisions with consideration for inclusivity as well as environmental, economic, and social implications	#3, #8, #9, #11, #13, #14, #15, #16, #17, #18, #19

Figure. Alignment of American Dietetic Association (ADA) Values to the Principles of the Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics.

- 7. The dietetics practitioner withdraws from professional practice when unable to fulfill his or her professional duties and responsibilities to clients and others.
 - a. The dietetics practitioner withdraws from practice when he/ she has engaged in abuse of a substance such that it could affect his or her practice.
 - b. The dietetics practitioner ceases practice when he or she has been adjudged by a court to be mentally incompetent.
 - c. The dietetics practitioner will not engage in practice when he or she has a condition that substantially impairs his or her ability to provide effective service to others.

Responsibilities to Clients

- 8. The dietetics practitioner recognizes and exercises professional judgment within the limits of his or her qualifications and collaborates with others, seeks counsel, or makes referrals as appropriate.
- 9. The dietetics practitioner treats clients and patients with respect and consideration.
 - The dietetics practitioner provides sufficient information to enable clients and others to make their own informed decisions.
 - b. The dietetics practitioner respects the client's right to make decisions regarding the recommended plan of care, including consent, modification, or refusal.
- 10. The dietetics practitioner protects confidential information
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and makes full disclosure about any limitations on his or her ability to guarantee full confidentiality.

11. The dietetics practitioner, in dealing with and providing services to clients and others, complies with the same principles set forth above in "Responsibilities to the Public" (Principles #3-7).

Responsibilities to the Profession

- 12. The dietetics practitioner practices dietetics based on evidence-based principles and current information.
- 13. The dietetics practitioner presents reliable and substantiated information and interprets controversial information without personal bias, recognizing that legitimate differences of opinion exist.
- 14. The dietetics practitioner assumes a life-long responsibility and accountability for personal competence in practice, consistent with accepted professional standards, continually striving to increase professional knowledge and skills and to apply them in practice.
- 15. The dietetics practitioner is alert to the occurrence of a real or potential conflict of interest and takes appropriate action whenever a conflict arises.
 - a. The dietetics practitioner makes full disclosure of any real or perceived conflict of interest.
 - b. When a conflict of interest cannot be resolved by disclosure,

the dietetics practitioner takes such other action as may be necessary to eliminate the conflict, including recusal from an office, position, or practice situation.

- 16. The dietetics practitioner permits the use of his or her name for the purpose of certifying that dietetics services have been rendered only if he or she has provided or supervised the provision of those services.
- 17. The dietetics practitioner accurately presents professional qualifications and credentials.
 - a. The dietetics practitioner, in seeking, maintaining, and using credentials provided by CDR, provides accurate information and complies with all requirements imposed by CDR. The dietetics practitioner uses CDR-awarded credentials ("RD" or "Registered Dietitian"; "DTR" or "Dietetic Technician, Registered"; "CS" or "Certified Specialist"; and "FADA" or "Fellow of the American Dietetic Association") only when the credential is current and authorized by CDR.
 - b. The dietetics practitioner does not aid any other person in violating any CDR requirements, or in representing himself or herself as CDR-credentialed when he or she is not.
- 18. The dietetics practitioner does not invite, accept, or offer gifts, monetary incentives, or other considerations that affect or reasonably give an appearance of affecting his/her professional judgment.

Clarification of Principle:

- a. Whether a gift, incentive, or other item of consideration shall be viewed to affect, or give the appearance of affecting, a dietetics practitioner's professional judgment is dependent on all factors relating to the transaction, including the amount or value of the consideration, the likelihood that the practitioner's judgment will or is intended to be affected, the position held by the practitioner, and whether the consideration is offered or generally available to persons other than the practitioner.
- b. It shall not be a violation of this principle for a dietetics

practitioner to accept compensation as a consultant or employee or as part of a research grant or corporate sponsorship program, provided the relationship is openly disclosed and the practitioner acts with integrity in performing the services or responsibilities.

- c. This principle shall not preclude a dietetics practitioner from accepting gifts of nominal value, attendance at educational programs, meals in connection with educational exchanges of information, free samples of products, or similar items, as long as such items are not offered in exchange for or with the expectation of, and do not result in, conduct or services that are contrary to the practitioner's professional judgment.
- d. The test for appearance of impropriety is whether the conduct would create in reasonable minds a perception that the dietetics practitioner's ability to carry out professional responsibilities with integrity, impartiality, and competence is impaired.

Responsibilities to Colleagues and Other Professionals

- The dietetics practitioner demonstrates respect for the values, rights, knowledge, and skills of colleagues and other professionals.
 - a. The dietetics practitioner does not engage in dishonest, misleading, or inappropriate business practices that demonstrate a disregard for the rights or interests of others.
 - b. The dietetics practitioner provides objective evaluations of performance for employees and coworkers, candidates for employment, students, professional association memberships, awards, or scholarships, making all reasonable efforts to avoid bias in the professional evaluation of others.

PROCESS FOR CONSIDERATION OF ETHICS ISSUES

In accordance with ADA's Code of Ethics, a process has been established

for consideration of ethics issues. This process defines the procedure for review of and response to ethics complaints, including hearings, disciplinary action, and appeals. The process was approved on June 2, 2009, by the ADA Board of Directors, the House of Delegates, and the Commission on Dietetic Registration.

Committee

A three (3)-person committee, comprised of members of ADA and/or CDRcredentialed practitioners, will be appointed to handle all ethics matters. One person will be appointed each year by the president-elect of ADA, the chairperson of CDR, or the speakerelect of the House of Delegates (based on the expired term). Terms of office will be for three (3) years. Terms will be staggered to allow for continuity. The chairship will rotate among the three (3) committee members. The chairship will be awarded to the person moving into the third year of the three (3)-year term of office.

The Committee will have authority to consult with subject experts as necessary to conduct its business. The Committee may perform such other educational activities as might be necessary to assist members and credentialed practitioners to understand the Code of Ethics.

Ethics Opinions

The Committee may issue opinions on ethics issues under the Code of Ethics on its own initiative or in response to a member's or credentialed practitioner's request. These opinions will be available to members and credentialed practitioners to guide their conduct, and will also be available to the public. Situations may be factual or hypothetical, but no names will be disclosed.

Ethics Cases

Preamble. The enforcement procedures are intended to permit a fair resolution of disputes on ethical practices in a manner that protects the rights of individuals while promoting understanding and ethical practice. The Ethics Committee has the authority and flexibility to determine the best way to resolve a dispute, including educational means where appropriate.

1. Complaint

A complaint that a member or credentialed practitioner has allegedly violated the Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics must be submitted in writing on the appropriate form to the Ethics Committee.

The complaint must be made within one (1) year of the date that the complainant (person making complaint) first became aware of the alleged violation or within one (1) year from the issuance of a final decision in an administrative, licensure board, or judicial action involving the facts asserted in the complaint.

The complainant need not be a member of ADA nor a practitioner credentialed by CDR.

The complaint must contain details on the activities complained of; the basis for complainant's knowledge of these activities; names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all persons involved or who might have knowledge of the activities; and whether the complaint has been submitted to a court, an administrative body, or a state licensure board. The complaint must also cite the section(s) of the Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics allegedly violated.

The complaint must be signed and sworn to by the complainant(s).

2. Preliminary Review of Complaint The chair of the Ethics Committee, legal counsel for ADA, and appropriate staff will review the complaint to determine whether all the required information has been submitted by the complainant and whether an ethics question is involved.

If a complaint is made regarding an alleged violation of the Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics and a similar complaint is already under consideration regarding the same individual by a state licensure board of examiners, an administrative body, or a court of law, the Ethics Committee will not process the complaint until a final decision has been issued.

3. Response

If the preliminary review determines that the process should proceed, the ADA staff or chair of

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the Ethics Committee will notify the respondent (person against whom the complaint is made) that a complaint has been made.

The notice will be sent from the staff via certified mail, return-receipt requested. The respondent will be sent a copy of the complaint, the Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics, the Review Process, and the Response to Complaint form.

The respondent will have thirty (30) days from receipt of the notification in which to submit a response. The response must be signed and sworn to by the respondent(s).

If the Ethics Committee does not receive a response, the chair of the Ethics Committee or his or her designee will contact the respondent by telephone. If contact with the respondent is still not made, a written notice will be sent. Failure to reach the respondent will not prevent the Committee from proceeding with the investigation.

The response submitted to the Ethics Committee by the respondent, may, upon request by the complainant, be provided to the complainant following the decision of the Committee.

4. Ethics Committee Review

The chair of the Ethics Committee will add the complaint and response to the Committee's agenda, after consultation with legal counsel and appropriate staff. The complaint and the response will be reviewed by the Ethics Committee.

The Committee has broad discretion to determine how to proceed, including, but not limited to, dismissing the complaint, requesting further information from the parties, resolving the case through educational activities, holding a hearing as specified hereafter, or in any other way deemed advisable. The Committee may use experts to assist it in reviewing the complaint and response and determining further action.

At the appropriate time, the Ethics Committee will notify the complainant and the respondent of its decision, which may include the Committee's preliminary opinion with a request that the respondent take certain actions, including, but not limited to, successful completion of continuing professional education in designated areas, or supervised practice based on the terms to be set forth by the Committee.

The Ethics Committee may also recommend appropriate remedial action to the parties, which if undertaken, would resolve the matter.

The Ethics Committee may recommend, in its discretion, that a hearing be held subject to the other provisions of these procedures.

 Licensure Board Action or Final Judicial or Administrative Action

When the Ethics Committee is informed by a state licensure body that a person subject to the Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics has had his or her license suspended or revoked for reasons covered by the Code, the Committee may take appropriate disciplinary action without a formal hearing.

When a person has been finally adjudged or has admitted to committing a misdemeanor or felony as specified in Principle 4 of the Code, the Committee may take appropriate disciplinary action without a formal hearing.

Hearings
 A. General

Hearings shall be held as determined by the Ethics Committee under the following guidelines.

Hearing dates will be established by the chairman of the Ethics Committee. All hearings will be held in Chicago, IL.

The Ethics Committee will notify the respondent and the complainant by certified mail, return-receipt requested, of the date, time, and place of the hearing.

The respondent may request a copy of the file on the case and will be allowed at least one postponement, provided the request for postponement is received by ADA at least fourteen (14) days before the hearing date.

B. Conduct of Hearings

The chair of the Ethics Committee will conduct a hearing with appropriate staff and legal counsel present. Individuals who have no conflict of interest will be appointed.

In the event that any Ethics Committee member cannot serve on the hearing panel for any reason, a replacement will be appointed by the representative of the original body that made the appointment, either the ADA president, the CDR chairperson, or the speaker of the House of Delegates as appropriate.

The parties shall have the right to appear, to present witnesses and evidence, to crossexamine the opposing party and adverse witnesses, and to have legal counsel present. Legal counsel for the parties may advise their clients, but may only participate in the hearings with the permission of the chair.

The hearing is the sole opportunity for the participants to present their positions.

Three members of the Ethics Committee shall constitute a quorum. Affirmative vote of two thirds (2/3) of the members voting will be required to reach a decision.

A transcript will be prepared and will be available to the parties at cost.

C. Costs

ADA will bear the costs for the Ethics Committee, legal counsel, staff, and any other parties called by ADA. ADA will bear the travel costs and one (1) night's hotel expenses for the complainant and respondent and one person that each chooses to bring, provided that such person is necessary to the conduct of the hearing as determined by the chair of the Ethics Committee. The Ethics Committee shall issue regulations to govern the payment of these expenses, which shall be incorporated and made part of these procedures.

The respondent and the complainant will be responsible for all costs and fees incurred in their preparation for and attendance at the hearing, except expenses for travel and hotel as stated above. D. Decision

The Ethics Committee will render a written decision specifying the reasons therefore and citing the provision(s) of the Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics that may have been violated. The Committee will decide that:

- the respondent is acquitted;
 educational opportunities are pursued;
- the respondent is censured, placed on probation, suspended, or expelled from ADA; and/or
- the credential of the respondent is suspended or revoked by the CDR of the ADA.

The decision of the Ethics Committee will be sent to the respondent and the complainant as soon as practicable after the hearing.

 Request by Complainant for Review of Respondent's Response

The Ethics Committee will, except where the response contains information that the Committee determines for good reasons should not be shared, grant the request of a complainant to review the response received from the respondent in an ethics case, provided the request is made within thirty (30) days of notification of the final action of the Ethics Committee. The complainant will be required to maintain confidentiality of the documentation and to refrain from sharing it with any other third parties or individuals. The complainant will have twenty (20) days to advise the Ethics Committee as to any comments, concerns, or issues with regard to the respondent's response, but the Committee shall have no obligation to take further action. The respondent will be notified of the Committee's action to release the response to the complainant.

A. The materials describing the ethics complaint process, including those materials provided to the complainants and respondents, shall be amended to disclose the fact that a respondent's response may be made available to the complainant.

- 3. Any request to review the respondent's response must be submitted in writing (electronic or mail) no later than thirty (30) days after final action by the Committee.
- C. ADA staff will notify the Ethics Committee of the request and will provide a timeline for addressing it.
- D. Within five (5) business days of the request being received, the Committee will advise the respondent that the complainant has made the request and is being given access to the response. The requested documentation will be sent to the complainant via express mail to ensure delivery.
- E. The complainant will be required to commit in writing to maintain the confidentiality of the documentation by signing a statement to this effect.
- F. Any comments, concerns, or issues with the respondent's response must be communicated to ADA staff within twenty (20) days in writing (electronic or mail). ADA staff will add the complainant's comments, concerns, or issues onto the agenda of the next Ethics Committee conference call or meeting. The Committee will determine whether further action is necessary and shall communicate its determination to the complainant.
- G. The complainant will return the documents after review via UPS at the expense of ADA within twenty-five (25) days.
- 8. Definitions of Disciplinary Action Censure: A written reprimand expressing disapproval of conduct. It carries no loss of membership or registration status, but may result in removal from office at the national, state, and district levels and from committee membership.

Time frame: Not applicable to the disciplinary action.

Probation: A directive to allow for correction of behavior specified in Principle 7 of the Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics. It may include mandatory participation in remedial programs (eg, education, professional counseling, and peer assistance). Failure to successfully complete these programs may result in other disciplinary action being taken. It carries no loss of membership or registration status, but may result in removal from office at the national, state, and district levels and from committee membership.

Time frame: Specified time to be decided on a case-by-case basis.

Suspension: Temporary loss of membership and all membership benefits and privileges for a specified time with the exception of retention of coverage under health and disability insurance. ADA group malpractice insurance will not be available and will not be renewed during the suspension period.

Time frame: Specified time to be decided on a case-by-case basis.

Suspension of Registration: Temporary loss of credential and all benefits and privileges for a specified period of time. It may include mandatory participation in remedial programs (eg, education, professional counseling, and peer assistance).

At the end of the specified suspension period, membership and registration benefits and privileges are automatically restored.

Time frame: Specified time to be decided on a case-by-case basis.

Expulsion: Removal from membership and a loss of all benefits and privileges.

Time frame: May apply for reinstatement after a five (5)-year period has elapsed or sooner if the basis for the expulsion has been removed, with payment of a reinstatement fee. The individual must meet membership requirements in effect at the time of the application for reinstatement.

Revocation of Credential: Loss of registration status and removal from registry; loss of all benefits and privileges. Upon revocation, the former credentialed practitioner shall return the registration identification card to CDR.

Time frame: Specified time for reapplication to be decided on a case-by-case basis, but, at minimum, current recertification re-

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quirements would need to be met. A credential will not be issued until CDR determines that the reasons for revocation have been removed.

9. Appeals

A. General

Only the respondent may appeal an adverse decision to ADA. During the appeals process, the membership and registration status of the respondent remains unchanged.

The ADA president, the chairperson of CDR, and the speaker of the House of Delegates shall each appoint one person to hear the appeal. These individuals shall constitute the Appeals Committee for that particular case. Individuals who have no conflict of interest will be appointed.

B. Recourse to the Appeals Committee

> To request a hearing before the Appeals Committee, the respondent/appellant shall notify the appropriate staff at ADA headquarters, by certified mail, return-receipt requested, that the respondent wishes to appeal the decision. This notification must be received within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the letter advising the respondent/appellant of the Ethics Committee's decision.

C. Contents

The appeal must be in writing and contain, at a minimum, the following information:

- The decision being appealed.
- 2. The date of the decision.
- Why the individual feels the decision is wrong or was improperly rendered (See E, "Scope of Review").
 The redress sought by the
- individual.
- The appeal will be signed and sworn to.

If the appeal does not contain the information listed above, it will be returned to the individual who will be given ten (10) calendar days to resubmit. Failure to furnish the required information within ten (10) calendar days will result in the appeal being waived.

D. Procedures

Upon receipt of this notification, appropriate staff shall promptly notify the chair of the Appeals Committee that the respondent/appellant is appealing a decision made by the Ethics Committee.

The Appeals Committee chair shall acknowledge the appeal and request a copy of the relevant written information on the case from appropriate staff.

- 1. Location and participants
 - All appeals hearings will be held in Chicago, IL.
 - b. The complainant/appellee, the respondent/appellant, and the chair of the Ethics Committee will have the opportunity to participate in the appeals hearing.
 - c. The parties may have legal counsel present, who may advise their clients, but may only participate in the hearings with the permission of the chair.
 - d. Attendance at the hearing will be limited to persons determined by the chair to have a direct connection with the appeal and appropriate staff and legal counsel.
- Conduct of the hearing The three (3) parties involved in the appeal will be given the opportunity to state why the decision and/or disciplinary action of the Ethics Committee should be upheld, modified, or reversed.
- E. Scope of Review

The Appeals Committee will only determine whether the Ethics Committee committed procedural error that affected its decision, whether the Ethics Committee's decision was contrary to the weight of the evidence presented to it, or whether there is new and substantial evidence that would likely have affected the Ethics Committee's decision that was unavailable to the parties at the time of the Ethics Committee's hearing for reasons beyond their control.

In reviewing the decision of the Ethics Committee, the Appeals Committee shall consider only the transcript of the hearing and the evidence presented to the Ethics Committee.

- F. Record of Hearing A transcript will be prepared and will be maintained in the case file.
- G. Decision of Appeals Committee 1. The Appeals Committee shall prepare a written decision stating the reasons therefore. The decision shall be to affirm, modify, or reject the decision and/or disciplinary action of the Ethics Committee or to remand the case to the Ethics Committee with instructions for further proceedings.
 - 2. Decisions of the Appeals Committee will be final.
- H. Costs

ADA will bear the costs for the Appeals Committee, staff, and legal counsel, and any parties called by ADA. ADA will bear the travel and one night's hotel expenses for the respondent/appellant, the complainant/appellee, and the chair of the Ethics Committee. The Ethics Committee shall issue regulations to govern the payment of these expenses, which shall be incorporated and made part of this procedure.

The respondent/appellant and the complainant/appellee will be responsible for all costs and fees incurred in their preparation for and attendance at the hearing, except expenses for travel and hotel as stated above.

10. Notification of Adverse Action If the respondent is disciplined

by the Ethics Committee and does not appeal the decision, the chair of the Ethics Committee will notify the appropriate ADA organizational units, CDR, the affiliate dietetic association, appropriate licensure boards, and governmental and private bodies within thirty (30) days after notification of the final decision.

In the event the respondent ap-

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peals a decision to discipline him or her and the Ethics Committee decision is affirmed or modified, similar notification will be made by the chair of the Ethics Committee.

In response to an inquiry about registration status, the Office on Dietetic Credentialing will state only whether a person is currently registered.

- 11. Record Keeping
 - A. Records will be kept for a period of time after the disposition of the case in accordance with ADA's record retention policy.
 - B. Information will be provided only upon written request and affirmative response from ADA's legal counsel.
- 12. Confidentiality Procedures
 - The following procedures have been developed to protect the confidentiality of both the complainant and the respondent in the investigation of a complaint of an alleged violation of the Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics:
 - A. The need for confidentiality will be stressed in initial communications with all parties.

- B. Committee members will refrain from discussing the complaint and hearing outside of official committee business pertaining to the complaint and hearing.
- C. If the hearing on a complaint carries over to the next Committee, the complaint will be heard by the original Committee to hear the complaint.
- D. Communication with ADA witnesses will be the responsibility of the Committee chair or staff liaison.
- E. Witnesses who testify on behalf of ADA will be informed of the confidentiality requirements and agree to abide by them.
- F. The Committee chair will stress the importance of confi-

dentiality at the time of the hearing.

- G. To ensure confidentiality, the only record of the hearing will be the official transcript and accompanying materials, which will be kept at ADA offices. All other materials that were mailed or distributed to committee members should be returned to ADA staff, along with any notes taken by Committee members.
- H. The transcript will be available if there is an appeal of the Ethics Committee's decision and only to the parties, Ethics Committee members, Appeals Committee members, ADA legal counsel, and staff directly involved with the appeal.

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Confidentiality Statement⁵

I, ______, have read the "Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics".

I understand its 19 principles. I have been especially alerted to principle number seven (7): "The dietetics practitioner protects confidential information and makes full disclosure about any limitations on his/her ability to guarantee full confidentiality."

I will adhere to all 19 principles throughout my enrollment in the Dietetic Internship Program, including while on rotations.

Name

Date

⁵ Each dietetic intern signs and dates 4 copies of this form. One copy is retained in student's permanent file at Southern Illinois University Carbondale in Animal Science, Food and Nutrition Department. Other copies are sent to preceptors.

Hepatitis B Vaccine Declination Statement

Southern Illinois University Carbondale Dietetic Internship Program

I understand that due to my potential for exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials during my dietetic training, I may be at risk of acquiring hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection. I have received training about Bloodborne Pathogens from the Center for Environmental Health and Safety of Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Despite risks presented to me, I decline hepatitis B vaccinations at this time. I understand that by declining this vaccine, I continue to be at risk for acquiring hepatitis B, a serious disease.

Date

Student ID Number

Printed Name

Signature

Dietetic Internship Program Coordinator

Student's Goals and Objectives for Supervised Practice Rotations

Name: _____ Date: _____

<u>Management</u>

A. Goals or Desired Outcomes or Objectives:

B. Special Interests:

<u>Clinical</u> A. Goals or Desired Outcomes or Objectives:

B. Special Interests:

Community

A. Goals or Desired Outcomes or Objectives:

B. Special Interests:

Student's Career Plans A. Upon completion of graduate study

B. Long-range

Other pertinent Information

A. Location preferences; limitations, if any

Resumé Guide for Supervised Practice Rotations

Personal Data

Name Address (Carbondale and Permanent) Phone (Carbondale and Permanent)

Contact in case of emergency

Person Address Phone Relationship

Education

Graduate degree, Institution, Degree, Major, In Progress Undergraduate degree, Institution, Degree, Major, Year of graduation Any certificates, certificate title, year of certificate

Concurrent field experience with graduate program

Activities with FN 530, FN 574 Name of agency; observation and/or experience (describe <u>briefly</u>); advisor, preceptor, supervisor; approximate clock hours

Graduate school employment

Graduate assistantship(s), work assignment, responsibilities (describe <u>briefly</u>), Faculty supervisor, semester or assignment

Work experience

Position title, employer's name, location (city, state), dates of employment

Volunteer positions, activities Professional memberships Honors/Awards

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1. Scientific and Evidence Base of Practice: integration of scientific information and research into practice. Upon completion of the DI, graduates are able to:

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Rotation Experience	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	DI 1.1 Select appropriate indicators and measure achievement of clinical, programmatic, quality, productivity, economic or other outcomes	A. Identify critical indicators for quality assurance and control. Complete two written quality improvement audits using appropriate data collection instruments and critical indicator(s).	A. Final report approved by Preceptor. Document in notebook.		

2. Professional Practice Expectations: beliefs, values, attitudes and behaviors for the professional dietitian level of practice.

DI 2.1 Practice in compliance with current federal regulations and state statutes and rules, as applicable and in accordance with accreditation standards and the ADA Scope of Dietetics Practice Framework, Standards of Professional Performance and Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics	 A. Read and examine Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics. B. Intern models acceptable professional behavior throughout experience. C. Demonstrate ability to communicate effectively–orally and in writing. D. Review current Ethics policy of facility. 	 A. Signed statement indicating understanding and agreement to these principles. B. Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor evaluate. C. Evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook. D. Evaluated by Preceptor. 	
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Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Rotation Experience	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	DI 2.2 Demonstrate professional writing skills in preparing professional communications (e.g. research manuscripts, project proposals, education materials, policies and procedures)				
	DI 2.3 Design, implement and evaluate presentations considering life experiences, cultural diversity and educational background of the target audience	an in-service program to correct need. Include your goal(s), objectives, lesson plan, evaluation materials, materials list, and estimated cost of in-service. Refer to your <i>Community Nutrition in Action</i> by Boyle text for details.			
	DI 2.5 Demonstrate active participation, teamwork and contributions in group settings	A. Document active participation, teamwork and contributions with foodservice personnel and health care team members. Summarize your contributions and impact thereof.	A. Participation evaluated by Preceptor. Written summary evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor.		
	DI 2.8 Demonstrate initiative by proactively developing solutions to problems	A. Identify and implement solution to departmental problem, follow up with results.			
	DI 2.9 Apply leadership principles effectively to achieve desired outcomes	A. Interact with patients/clients, foodservice, medical and support staffs to develop oral and written communication and interpersonal skills.	A. Participation evaluated by Preceptor.		

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Rotation Experience	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
SIDA, IDA, & ADA	DI 2.10 Serve in professional and community organizations	 A. Attend two dietetic continuing education programs offered at the local, regional, state, or national level. 1 2 	A. Explain how these presentations meet a personal goal or apply to internship experiences, and write a summary of how the presentations apply to practice or professional growth. Document in notebook.		
	DI 2.11 Establish collaborative relationships with internal and external stakeholders, including patients, clients, care givers, physicians, nurses and other health professionals, administrative and support personnel to facilitate individual and organizational goals	A. Document participation with one or more teams in meeting departmental or hospital goals.	A. Participation evaluated by Preceptor. Written summary evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor.		
	DI 2.12 Demonstrate professional attributes such as advocacy, customer focus, risk taking, critical thinking, flexibility, time management, work prioritization and work ethic within various organizational cultures	 A. Examine financial reports such as analysis of food costs, labor costs, and supply costs. Prepare a summary of key financial reports. B. Outline steps a diet order follows after being received in the dietary office to point of service. Highlight positions and tasks. Indicate quality control steps along the way. 	 A. Written summaries will be evaluated for accuracy by Preceptor. Document in notebook. B. Outline to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook. 		

			Work under Department Head as an assistant for one workweek. Participate in hiring, performance evaluation, and counseling of employees.	C. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor.D. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor.		
Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes		Rotation Experience	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	DI 2.13 Perform self assessment, develop goals and objectives and prepare a draft portfolio for professional development as defined by the Commission on Dietetics Registration	В. С. D.	Keep a daily log (journal) of visits, topics of discussions, working agreements, etc., with health care team and list influence of each person visited on dietetic/health promotion services. Record observations or participation in activities. Write sample goal for your CDR Professional Development Dietetic Portfolio (self-assessment). At each of the three evaluation visits, be prepared to describe your professional strengths, weaknesses, and areas needing more attention or direction (self-assessment). Throughout your rotations update your professional portfolio.	 A. Logs will be reviewed by Faculty Supervisor. B. Evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. C. Self-evaluation to be reviewed with intern by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. D. At the end of each rotation, you will turn in your updated portfolio. Portfolio will be evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. 		
	DI 2.14 Demonstrate assertiveness and negotiation skills while respecting life experiences, cultural diversity and educational background		Work under Department Head as an assistant for one workweek. Participate when possible in hiring, performance evaluation, and counseling of employees.	 A. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. B. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. 		

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3. Clinical and Customer Services: development and delivery of information, products and services to individuals, groups and populations

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Rotation Experience	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	effective communications skills using oral, print, visual, electronic and mass media methods for maximizing client education	A. List and describe the characteristics of at least three target markets of the institution.	A. List to be checked by the Preceptor. Document in notebook.		
		 B. Complete a food acceptability study including statistical analysis of data. Provide marketing implications based on results of study. 	B. Final report approved by Preceptor. Document in notebook.		
		 C. Prepare a written summary of each guest relations program. 	C. Summary to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook.		
		D. Use resources available to market in-service.	D. Marketing materials to be evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor.		
	DI 3.3 Demonstrate and promote responsible use of resources including employees, money, time, water, energy, food and disposable goods.	A. Examine financial reports such as analysis of food costs, labor costs, and supply costs. Prepare a summary of key financial reports.	A. Written summaries will be evaluated for accuracy by Preceptor. Document in notebook.		

DI 3.6 Coordinate procurement, production, distribution and service of goods and services	Α.	Diagram "Food Flow" from entry point to trayline or when food leaves production area. Present a floor plan to supervisor. Use 1 hot and 1 cold item. With an X label each critical control point on the diagram and attach a key describing each X according to HACCP guidelines.	A.	Diagram and key to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook.	
	В.	Outline steps a diet order follows after being received in the dietary office to point of service. Highlight positions and tasks. Indicate quality control steps along the way.	В.	Outline to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook.	
	C.	Review purchasing system (including receiving, inspecting, and storing). Complete purchase orders for one week.	C.	Orders to be checked for accuracy by Preceptor. Document in notebook.	
	D.	Assist with inventory. Describe type of inventory system used. Provide examples of procedures used.	D.	Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook.	
DI 3.7 Develop and evaluate recipes, formulas and menus for acceptability and affordability that accommodate the cultural diversity and health needs of various populations, groups and individuals	Α.	Complete a menu project assigned by the Preceptor. Develop 1 week menu with diet modifications, recipe adjustments, develop order guide and production sheet, and complete nutrient analysis.	A.	Project to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook.	

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4. Practice Management and Use of Resources: strategic application of principles of management and systems in the provision of services to individuals and organizations.

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Rotation Experience	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	DI 4.1 Use organizational processes and tools to manage human resources DI 4.2 Perform management functions related to safety, security and sanitation that affect employees, customers, patients, facilities and food	 A. Review the department's p and procedures. Briefly sum how the policies and procedures are influenced by the Occup Safety and Health Administ Fair Labor Standards Act, C Rights Act, Family and Med Leave Act, and the America Disabilities Act. B. Prepare an accurate employ schedule for one week with appropriate staffing. C. Prepare or revise one policy procedure. A. Review health inspection sl that have been completed past by the county/state he department of the food ser area. Complete a sanitation the food service area. 	Immarize luresbe reviewed by Preceptor. Document in notebook.vational ration, ivilB.Schedule to be evaluated by Preceptor and implemented. Document in notebook.yeeC.Policy or procedure to be approved by Preceptor. Document in notebook.r orA.Audit to be evaluated py Preceptor. Document in notebook.alth viceDocument in notebook.		
	 DI 4.3 Apply systems theory and a process approach to make decisions and maximize outcomes DI 4.8 Conduct feasibility studies for products, programs or services with consideration of costs and benefits 	A. Select a piece of equipmen dietary department and eva the adequacy of its mainter schedule.	luate evaluated by		

	 B. Write purchasing specifications and justification for one piece of new foodservice equipment. -Is there a capital equipment guide for this process? If so, use it. -What constraints need to be considered (size, shape, cost, electrical 	B.	Specifications to be approved by Preceptor. Document in notebook.	
	 power supply, plumbing, etc.)? -Will training for staff be required? C. Select a work center or work section of the kitchen and evaluate for layout, flow, and safety. Create a diagram that visually represents the area as it is now. How would you improve the layout, flow, and/or safety? Also provide a written description of the work center, and your recommendations for improving the layout, flow, and safety taking into account costs and benefits of the proposed changes. 	C.	Report to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook.	
DI 4.5 Conduct clinical and customer service quality management activities	A. Complete two quality improvement studies related to a department issue. Include statistical analysis of data.	A.	Final report approved by Preceptor. Document in notebook.	
DI 4.6 Use current informatics technology to develop, store, retrieve and disseminate information and data	A. Review all computerized programs used at the facility, including payroll, budgeting, HR, purchasing, patient information, and management. Prepare report summarizing how each program is used.	А.	Submit to Preceptor for evaluation. Document in notebook.	

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Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Rotation Experience	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	 DI 4.7 Prepare and analyze quality, financial or productivity data and develops a plan for intervention DI 4.9 Obtain and analyze financial data to assess budget controls and maximize fiscal outcomes 	 A. Review the departmental budget and be prepared to discuss how a budget is prepared and approved: define components of a budget and document sources of revenue and expenditures. B. Summarize the benchmarking and productivity data (meals: labor costs, food costs, meal costs). C. Examine financial reports such as analysis of food costs, labor costs, and supply costs. Prepare a summary of key financial reports. D. Collect or check the data for at least one financial report for the department. 	 A. Written summary will be evaluated for accuracy by Preceptor. B. Summary to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook. C. Written summaries will be evaluated for accuracy by Preceptor. Document in notebook. D. Successful completion to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook. 		
	DI 4.10 Develop a business plan for a product, program or service including development of a budget, staffing needs, facility requirements, equipment and supplies	 A. Explain in writing the mission, vision and values of the department and how this affects operations. B. Review or develop a plan for a new or expanded service including budget, staffing, equipment, supplies, and ROI. 	 A. Report evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook. B. Written report will be evaluated for accuracy by Preceptor. 		

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Definitions

Excellent: Intern has met and exceeded the competency requirement and program expectations.

Satisfactory: Intern has met the competency requirement and program expectations.

Unsatisfactory: Intern's performance and/or written report inadequate and does not meet program expectations.

Incomplete: Intern is on track to meet the competency, however, is missing key elements. Intern will revise and re-submit.

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Student Practice Review Evaluation (SPRE)

ROTATION: Management

SPRE Committee Members:

DIETETIC INTERN (Student):

	SIGNATURES								
	Week No.** Date	Week No.** Date	Week No Date						
Dietetic Intern:									
Preceptor:									
Faculty Supervisor:									
Other:									

****Statement of intern's progress:**

Number of days the intern was late _____ or absent _____ during the rotation.

If late or absent, the intern contacted me ahead of time to explain the situation. Yes _____ No ____ *Describe:

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Dietetic Intern Evaluation Form for Management

Dietetic Intern		
Preceptor		
Rotation		

This evaluation represents Preceptor's assessment of dietetic internship student's competence and readiness as an entry-level dietitian in *Food Service Management*. It is used to help Faculty Supervisor determine final grade for this rotation.

PLEASE CHECK ONE BLANK BELOW:

I. _____ This candidate has met and exceeded the competencies in the time allowed in the *Food Service Management* area to function as an entry-level dietitian. Given my knowledge of this candidate's current performance, he/she should have little difficulty becoming a practicing dietitian.

II. _____ This candidate has met all the competencies, and given additional study/practice, should be able to function in the *Food Service Management* area as an entry level dietitian. Given my knowledge of this candidate's current performance, he/she should plan to devote additional time to the study of *Food Service Management*.

III. _____ This candidate has met some of the competencies, and needs additional study/practice to be able to function as an entry level dietitian. Given my knowledge of this candidate's current performance, a plan for further supervised practice should be developed for the student and he/she should plan to devote additional time to the study and practice of the *Food Service Management* area.

Preceptor:	Date:	
*I=A		
II=B		
III=C		

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1. Scientific and Evidence Base of Practice: integration of scientific information and research into practice.

Upon completion of the DI, graduates are able to:

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes		Rotation Experience		Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	DI 1.1 Select appropriate indicators and measure achievement of clinical, programmatic, quality, productivity, economic or other outcomes	A. B.	Review institution's Standards of Care. Discuss Standards of Care with Preceptor(s) during rotation. Review with Preceptor how to record information in the medical record. Document nutritional care information in patient's medical record according to institutional policy. <i>Any medical chart entry</i> <i>requires a co-signature of a</i> <i>Registered Dietitian.</i>	A.	Performance evaluation by Preceptor to include adherence to Standards of Care. Preceptor to evaluate for presence of measurable outcomes in documentation. Provide at least three examples of documentation at each evaluation visit.		
	DI 1.2 Apply evidence-based guidelines, systematic reviews and scientific literature (such as the ADA Evidence Analysis Library, Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, National Guideline Clearinghouse Web sites) in the nutrition care process and model and other areas of dietetics practice DI 1.4 Evaluate emerging research for application in dietetics practice	A. B. C.	Prepare ten case reports. Cite references for at least the background research and rationale of diet sections. (refer to DI 3.1) Prepare a brief written description of laboratory tests and medical procedures important to management of nutrition care. Include references in descriptions. Prepare a summary of at least 25 medications important to management of nutrition care. Include drug name (common & generic), classification, actions, and potential nutrient interactions. Include references in summary.	А. В. С.	reviewed by Preceptor. Document in notebook. Outline to be reviewed by Preceptor. Document in notebook.		

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Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Rotation Experience	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
FN 581 (Grade:) Thesis Project Advisor: (Pass/Fail)	DI 1.4 Evaluate emerging research for application in dietetics practice	Also refer to DI 1.2			

2. Professional Practice Expectations: beliefs, values, attitudes and behaviors for the professional dietitian level of practice.

Upon completion of the DI, graduates are able to:

DI 2.1 Practice in compliance with current federal regulations and state statutes and rules, as applicable and in accordance with accreditation standards and the	А. В. С.	Read and examine Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics. Model acceptable professional behavior throughout experience. Demonstrate ability to communicate	A. B.	Signed statement indicating understanding and agreement to these principles. Preceptor and Faculty	
ADA Scope of Dietetics Practice Framework, Standards of Professional Performance and Code of Ethics for the Profession of Dietetics		effectivelyorally and in writing.	C.	Supervisor evaluate. Evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook.	

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Rotation Experience	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	DI 2.2 Demonstrate professional writing skills in preparing professional communications (e.g. research manuscripts, project proposals, education materials, policies and procedures)	A. Review the educational materials used by nutrition services. Research, develop and/or revise an educational tool identified as being needed. Site references and readability.	 Final product or recommendations to be approved by Preceptor. Document in notebook. 		
	DI 2.3 Design, implement and evaluate presentations considering life experiences, cultural diversity and educational background of the target audience	 A. Complete a needs assessment, plan, prepare, present, and evaluate <u>a</u><u>minimum</u> of three classes on the subject of nutrition or medical nutrition therapy for the following groups: medical students, patients, personnel, or the general public. Evaluate the group's pre- and post-learning of your topic. The educational methods, tools, and techniques used should be applicable to the particular group. When appropriate, documentation of class attendance should be made in the medical record. B. Utilize a variety of educational techniques for nutrition instruction including foods or models, demonstration, posters, and/or other visuals. C. Evaluate a minimum of three educational presentations using the Oral Presentation Checklist. 	 A. Written objectives and lesson plans must be preapproved by Preceptor. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook. B. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. C. Evaluations reviewed by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook. 		

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes		Rotation Experience	E	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	DI 2.4 Use effective education and counseling skills to facilitate behavior change	А. В. С.	Provide instruction to patients and their families on the implementation of dietary practices and behaviors appropriate to their diagnosed condition. During diet instruction to patient and/or family, incorporate appropriate visual or interactive tools to enhance comprehension of instruction. Prepare ten case reports. Each report is to include a summary of any counseling, education, or intervention. Provide full coverage for nutritional care services for a clinical unit for one week.	А. В. С.	Observation of teaching skills by Preceptor and performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. Case reports to be reviewed by Preceptor. Document in notebook. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor.		
	DI 2.5 Demonstrate active participation, teamwork and contributions in group settings	A.	Document active participation with physicians and health care team members. Summarize your contributions and impact thereof.	A.	Participation to be evaluated by Preceptor. Written summary evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor.		
	DI 2.6 Assign appropriate patient care activities to DTRs and/or support personnel considering the needs of the patient/client or situation, the ability of support personnel, jurisdictional law, practice guidelines & policies within the facility	A. B.	Examine the institution's policies and procedures for screening. Be able to discuss the differences between screening and assessment. Work in the position as being responsible for screening and assessment as outlined in the institution's procedures.	A. B.	Definitions to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook.		

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes		Rotation Experience	E	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	DI 2.7 Refer clients and patients to other professionals and services when needs are beyond individual scope of practice	A. • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Attend orientation to (or schedule meetings w/): Medical facility Nursing Pharmacy Patient Education Department Respiratory Therapy Physical Therapy Speech Therapy Infection Control Medical Staff Social Services Laboratory Services Medical Records Other units appropriate to facility. Summarize the orientation describing how each service interacts with food and nutrition services. Include information that demonstrates a comprehension of the roles that different health professionals contribute to the health care system. Demonstrate process of referral. Document referral following procedures of facility.	А. В.	Summary to be reviewed by Preceptor. Document in notebook. Performance and documentation to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook.		
	DI 2.8 Demonstrate initiative by proactively developing solutions to problems	A.	Identify and implement solution to departmental problem, follow up with results.		Performance and documentation to be evaluated by Preceptor.		
	DI 2.9 Apply leadership principles effectively to achieve desired outcomes	A.	Coordinate project, implement or follow through, evaluate outcome, and make future recommendations.	A.	Performance and documentation to be evaluated by Preceptor.		

Graduate	Competencies/Learning	Rotation Experience	Rotation	Excellent,	Week
Coursework	Outcomes		Evaluation Strategy	Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Project Completed
SIDA, IDA, & ADA	DI 2.10 Serve in professional and community organizations	 A. Attend at least two dietetic continuing education programs offered at the local, regional, state, or national level. 1 2 	A. Explain how these presentations meet a personal goal or apply to internship experiences, and write a summary of how the presentations apply to practice or professional growth. Document in notebook.		
	DI 2.11 Establish collaborative relationships with internal and external stakeholders, including patients, clients, care givers, physicians, nurses and other health professionals, administrative and support personnel to facilitate individual and organizational goals	 A. Following institutional policy, communicate nutrition care activities to other members of the health care team and as appropriate, communicate necessary modifications to the nutrition care plan. B. Communicate with physicians to clarify orders, report progress, or recommend nutritional support. C. Participate in team conferences, bedside rounds and/or grand rounds. Make appropriate nutritional recommendations in medical records with follow-up. <i>Any medical chart</i> <i>entry requires a co-signature of a</i> <i>Registered Dietitian.</i> D. Demonstrate process of referral. Document by preparing documentation per institutional procedures. Check with preceptor before making any phone calls. 	 A. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. Provide at least one example in notebook. B. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. Provide at least one example in notebook. C. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. Provide at least one example in notebook. D. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. Documentation to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook. 		

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes		Rotation Experience	E	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	DI 2.12 Demonstrate professional attributes such as advocacy, customer focus, risk taking, critical thinking, flexibility, time management, work prioritization and work ethic within various organizational cultures	А. В.	Using the standards of care, demonstrate ability to complete a nutrition assessment, identify nutrition diagnosis, and appropriately prioritize patients' nutritional needs. Demonstrate good time management skills, work prioritization, and work ethic throughout rotation experience.	A. B.	Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. Provide at least one example in notebook. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor.		
	DI 2.13 Perform self assessment, develop goals and objectives and prepare a draft portfolio for professional development as defined by the Commission on Dietetics Registration	E. F. G.	Keep a daily log (journal) of visits, topics of discussions, working agreements, etc., with health care team and list influence of each person visited on dietetic/health promotion services. Record observations or participation in activities. Write a sample goal for your CDR Professional Development Dietetic Portfolio (self-assessment). At each of the three evaluation visits, be prepared to describe your professional strengths, weaknesses, and areas needing more attention or direction (self-assessment). Throughout your rotations update your professional portfolio.	A. B. C. D.	Logs will be reviewed by Faculty Supervisor. Evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Self-evaluation to be reviewed with intern by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. At the end of each rotation, you will turn in your updated portfolio. Portfolio will be evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor.		
	DI 2.14 Demonstrate assertiveness and negotiation skills while respecting life experiences, cultural diversity and educational background	Α.	Demonstrate assertiveness and negotiation skills with medical personnel or health care team members to justify an (evidence- based) nutritional recommendation.	A.	Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. Provide at least one example in notebook.		

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Upon completion of the DI, graduates are able to:

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes		Rotation Experience	E	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory,	Week Project
						Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Completed
FN 574 (Grade:)	DI 3.1 Perform the Nutrition Care Process (a through d below) and use standardized nutrition language for individuals, groups	A.	Interpret information in the medical record, including the laboratory findings and diagnostic procedures for patients with a variety of	A.	Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor.		
	and populations of differing ages and health status, in a variety of settings DI 3.1.a. Assess the nutritional status of individuals, groups and populations in a variety of settings where nutrition care is or can be delivered	В.	diseases. Document assessments according to institutional policy. Evaluate patient's nutritional status and follow-up appropriately with physician. <i>Any medical chart entry</i> <i>requires a co-signature of a</i> <i>Registered Dietitian.</i>	В. С.	Preceptor to evaluate for presence of measurable outcomes in documentation. Provide at least three examples of documentation at each evaluation visit. Performance to be		
	DI 3.1.b.Diagnose nutrition problems and create problem, etiology, signs and symptoms (PES) statements DI 3.1.c. Plan and implement	C.	For dietary assessment, utilize a variety of methods to analyze dietary and/or nutrient intake, e.g., ADA exchanges, Food Guide Pyramid, nutrient tables.		evaluated by Preceptor. Provide copies of examples to demonstrate using a variety of methods.		
	nutrition interventions to include prioritizing the nutrition diagnosis, formulating a nutrition prescription, establishing goals and selecting	D.	Utilize appropriate interviewing techniques to obtain the patient's dietary (use appropriate dietary assessment method), social and medical history.		Document in notebook. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor.		
	and managing intervention DI 3.1.d. Monitor and evaluate problems, etiologies, signs, symptoms and the impact of interventions on the nutrition diagnosis	E.	Interview patients to determine acceptability of foods served, obtain food preferences, explain selective menus (if applicable), and answer questions. Document results according to institutional policy.	E.	Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor.		
		F.	Interpret nutritional assessment data, including diagnoses,	F.	Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor.		

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	anthropometric measurements,
	laboratory values, and dietary
	assessment to determine the
	patient's nutritional status. Diagnose
	nutrition problems and create
	problem, etiology, signs and
	symptoms (PES) statements.
	Follow-up appropriately with
	physician. Document assessments
	according to institutional policy. Any
	medical chart entry requires a co-
	signature of a Registered
	Dietitian.
	G. Develop a modified diet plan for the G. Performance to be
	patient based on dietary evaluated by Preceptor.
	prescription, the individual's present
	food pattern and lifestyle. (Cross-
	Reference to 1.B.[CD6]). Follow-up
	appropriately with physician.
	Document care according to
	institutional policy. Any medical
	chart entry requires a co-
	signature of a Registered
	Dietitian.
	H. Make appropriate nutritional H. Performance to be
	recommendations and follow-up with evaluated by Preceptor.
	patient to monitor adherence or
	difficulties. Make appropriate
	modifications based on follow-up
	results. Document care according to
	institutional policy. Follow-up
	appropriately with physician. Any
	medical chart entry requires a co-
	signature of a Registered
	Dietitian.
	I. Prepare ten case reports. Each I. Written case studies to
	report is to include a nutrition care be evaluated by
	plan with supporting documentation Preceptor and faculty

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	for the plan. At least one report shall	supervisor.	
	cover:		
	 Enteral nutrition support 		
	 Parenteral nutrition support 		
	 Transitional feeding, i.e., a 		
	patient progressing from		
	parenteral nutrition to enteral		
	tube feedings to oral diet, or		
	from enteral tube feedings to		
	oral diet.		
	 Renal disease, multi-system 		
	organ failure, or trauma		
	 Type 1 Diabetes 		
	 Type 2 Diabetes 		
	 GI Disease or Liver Disease or 		
	Pancreatic Dysfunction		
	 Obesity or Eating Disorder 		
	 Lifecycle: obstetric patient, 		
	infant, child, adolescent,		
	geriatric		
	 Intern's choice: Cancer, 		
	Cardiovascular Disease, or		
	Pulmonary Disease		
	J. Develop and implement transitional	J. Performance to be	
	feeding plans for assigned patients	evaluated by Preceptor.	
	to meet nutritional requirements.	evaluated by Preceptor.	
	K. Participate in calorie counts or	K. Performance to be	
	institution's procedures for	evaluated by Preceptor.	
	monitoring patients' intakes.		
	L. Review institution's policies and	L. Reports to be approved	
	procedures for nutrition support.	by Preceptor. Document	
	Select one aspect of nutrition	in notebook.	
	support at the general level or at the	IT HOLODOOK.	
	individual patient level to evaluate in		
	depth, e.g.,		
	advantages/disadvantages of the		
	composition of a particular formula,		
	administration techniques,		

		M. N.	monitoring issues. Select, implement, and evaluate standard enteral and parenteral nutrition regimens for assigned patients to meet nutritional requirements. Provide full coverage for nutritional care services for a clinical unit for one week.	M.	Reports to be approved by Preceptor. Document at least three examples in notebook. Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook.		
Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes		Rotation Experience	E	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	DI 3.2 Develop and demonstrate effective communications skills using oral, print, visual, electronic and mass media methods for maximizing client education, employee training and marketing	Α.	Conduct needs assessment among dietitians. Plan, prepare, present, and evaluate one in-service presentation to the dietetic staff.	A.	Summary of evaluations. Preceptor to evaluate performance. Document in notebook.		
	DI 3.5 Deliver respectful, science- based answers to consumer questions concerning emerging trends	A.	Serve as a clinical nutrition resource, providing evidence-based answers and information through patient counseling, follow-up calls, employee in-services and workshops, newsletters, and/or email questions.	A.	Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor. Provide at least one example in notebook.		

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Upon completion of the DI, graduates are able to:

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Rotation Experience	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	 DI 4.5 Conduct clinical and customer service quality management activities DI 4.7 Prepare and analyze quality, financial or productivity data and develops a plan for intervention 	A. Complete a written quality improvement audit using appropriate data collection instruments and critical indicator(s). In addition to your notebook copy, provide a copy of the completed audit to your Preceptor.	A. Final report approved by Preceptor. Document in notebook.		
	DI 4.6 Use current informatics technology to develop, store, retrieve and disseminate information and data	 A. Use nutrient analysis software to complete nutrient analyses of patients' diets. (i.e., What is the patient's usual food intake at home in a typical 24-hour period? What is the nutrient value of that food intake? How can the diet be modified to support better health?) B. Develop an improved meal plan for one day based on the patient's prescribed diet and usual intake. Provide this information in as many of the ten case reports as possible. 	A. Report to be evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook.		
	DI 4.7 Prepare and analyze quality, financial or productivity data and develops a plan for intervention	Refer to DI 4.5			

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Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes		Rotation Experience	E	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
FN 574: (Overall:)	DI 4.11 Complete documentation that follows professional guidelines, guidelines required by health care systems and guidelines required by the practice setting	A.	Prepare a brief written summary describing the function of the medical record. Describe the process of screening, assessment, and intervention (i.e. who is responsible for screening, how does the RD know to do an assessment, how does a nutritional recommendation turn into a doctor's order?) Outline the minimum amount of information necessary to communicate nutrition assessment data and intervention data.	A.	Reports to be reviewed by Preceptor. Document in notebook.		
	DI 4.12 Participate in coding and billing of dietetics/nutrition services to obtain reimbursement for services from public or private insurers	A. B.	Describe current key political, legislative, and economic factors affecting medical nutrition therapy. List and discuss payment/reimbursement for medical nutrition therapy.	А. В.	by Preceptor. Document in notebook.		

*Competency statements are from the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education of The American Dietetic Association, 2008 Eligibility Requirements and Accreditation Standards for Dietetic Internship Programs (DI).

Definitions

Excellent: Intern has met and exceeded the competency requirement and program expectations.

Satisfactory: Intern has met the competency requirement and program expectations.

Unsatisfactory: Intern's performance and/or written report inadequate and does not meet program expectations.

Incomplete: Intern is on track to meet the competency, however, is missing key elements. Intern will revise and re-submit.

RECORD EACH CASE STUDY ON FOLLOWING PAGE.

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Date Completed	Case Study
	1. Enteral nutrition support
	2. Parenteral nutrition support
	3. Transitional feeding, i.e., a patient progressing from parenteral nutrition to enteral tube feedings to oral diet, or from enteral tube feedings to oral diet.
	4. Renal disease, multi-system organ failure, or trauma
	5. Type 1 Diabetes
	6. Type 2 Diabetes
	7. GI Disease or Liver Disease or Pancreatic Dysfunction
	8. Obesity or Eating Disorder
	9. Lifecycle: obstetric patient, infant, child, adolescent, geriatric
	10. Intern's choice: Cancer, Cardiovascular Disease, or Pulmonary Disease

Guidelines for Case studies: Case Studies must include (but are not limited to):

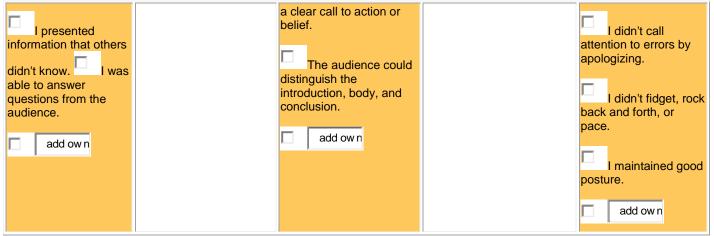
DOB	Age
Sex	Diagnosis
Occupation	Education
Household members	Ethnic background
Religious affiliation (if applicable)	Referring physician
Personal habits that may be pertinent to da	's (i.e. exercise or lack there of, smoking, alcohol consumption)

- Sackground Research regarding diagnosis and/or disease state and nutritional intervention (i.e. pathophysiology of the disease condition)
- Patients Medical History
- Pertinent Laboratory Findings and implications for your specific patient
- Pertinent Medications and implications that relate to your patient
- Treatment (other than diet)
- Your Actions what did you do for this patient?
- Prognosis
- Team Approach
- Discharge Recommendations
- Nutritional Screening and Full Assessment (completed by intern) including a SOAP/ADIM note indicating nutritional status and estimated nutrient needs (kcal, protein, and possibly fluid)
- Nutritional diagnosis and/or Nutrition Care Plan
- Follow-up SOAP/ADIM note(s) (completed by intern); try to show effectiveness of your actions.
- Patient's Usual Dietary Intake (w/nutrient analysis) and a Modified Intake Plan using usual intake as guide (w/nutrient analysis); Note significant information, i.e., %CHO on a diabetic patient, vitamin C intake on a smoker, protein intake, etc.
- Patient Education (Nutrition)
- References

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Content	Resources	Organization	Presentation Aids	Delivery
Lused an effective and	I used resources that addressed the topic	I organized ideas in a meaningful way.	Presentation aids were used during the speech.	I maintained eye-
appropriate attention- getting device.	thoroughly.	A clear thesis	Presentation aids were	time.
Lused vocabulary	I cited my resources using the appropriate format.	statement was present in the introduction.	relevant.	I spoke to the entire audience, not just one or two people.
could understand, or I defined unfamiliar	Lused material in	l included necessary background information.	Presentation aids enhanced the speech or reinforced main points.	My pronunciation
terms.	accordance with copyright.			was clear and easy to understand.
Wy vocabulary was strong and unambiguous.	I used resources	A clear introduction was present.	Presentation aids did not distract the audience.	My rate of speech
L used logical	that reflected different perspectives.	The introduction included a statement of	Presentation aids were creative.	was not too fast or too slow.
appeals where appropriate.	I used credible print resources.	the main points.	Visual aids were easily	My volume was not too loud or too soft.
Logical appeals	I used credible	The audience could predict the presentation's basic structure from the	viewed or read by the entire audience.	My body
information.	Internet resources.	introduction alone.	Audio aids were easily heard by the entire	language was not too relaxed or too tense.
used emotional or persuasive appeals	I used interviews with others as a resource.	The body of the presentation contained	audience.	My voice varied in
where appropriate.	Prominent	support for the main points.	Presentation aids contained no spelling or	pitch; it was not monotone.
details.	resources were referred to in the speech.	I used helpful transitions between main	grammar errors.	I used meaningful gestures.
The information I gave was useful to	A bibliography was available.	points (e.g.: "First of all " or "Similarly" etc).		Lused notes
others.	I was able to answer	I used logical connectors (e.g.: "On the		sparingly; I did not read from them.
The information and arguments were	questions from the audience.	other hand" or "Therefore" etc).		I used standard grammar.
easy to follow.	add ow n	Ideas flowed		I didn't hesitate or
I stayed focused; I did not stray off my topic.		logically from one point to the next.		lose my place.
I was well		A strong conclusion was present.		I didn't use filler words (uhm, uh, ah,
informed on my topic.		The conclusion had		mm, like).

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Additional Comments regarding presentation:

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Overall Objective:

To further develop knowledge and skills in providing medical nutrition therapy and gain practical experience to prepare you as an entry level dietitian.

Case studies must include (but are not limited to):

- Patient Profile:
 DOB Age Sex Diagnosis Occupation Education Household members Ethnic background Religious affiliation (if applicable) Referring physician Personal habits that may be pertinent to dx's (i.e. exercise or lack there of, smoking, alcohol consumption)
- Background Research regarding disease state and nutritional intervention
- Patients Medical History
- Laboratory Findings and implications for your specific patient
- Pertinent Medications and implications that relate to your patient
- Treatment (other than diet)
- Your Actions what did you do for this patient?
- Prognosis
- Team Approach
- Discharge Recommendations
- Nutritional Screening and Full Assessment (completed by intern) including a SOAP note indicating nutritional status and estimated nutrient needs; PES statement and nutritional diagnosis
- Follow-up SOAP note(s) (completed by intern); try to show effectiveness of your actions.
- Patient's Usual Dietary Intake (w/nutrient analysis) and a Modified Intake Plan (w/nutrient analysis); Note significant information, i.e., %CHO on a diabetic patient, vitamin C intake on a smoker, protein intake, etc.
- Patient Education
- References

Clinical preceptor will review, provide input, and ask pertinent questions regarding the case study to ensure your knowledge of the case study/disease state/nutritional implications prior to handing it in to the DI coordinator. Preceptor must sign off on case study prior to turning in to DI coordinator.

During rotation site visits, interns are expected to present the case studies to the Preceptor, DI coordinator, 1st year dietetic interns, etc. Interns must be prepared to answer questions regarding case study/disease state/nutritional implications. Questions must be satisfactorily answered by intern, as judged by Preceptor and DI coordinator, to be accepted and signed off on.

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ROTATION: Medical Nutrition Therapy

SITE: _____

SPRE Committee Members:

DIETETIC INTERN (Student):

	SIGNATURES					
	Week No.** Date	Week No.** Date	Week No Date			
Dietetic Intern:						
Preceptor:						
Faculty Supervisor:						
Other:						

****Statement of intern's progress:**

Number of days the intern was late _____ or absent _____ during the rotation.

* If late or absent, the intern contacted me ahead of time to explain the situation. Yes _____ No ____* *Describe:

APPENDIX A: Competencies/Learning Outcomes for Dietetic Internship Programs – CLINICAL ROTATION Dietetic Intern Evaluation Form for MNT

Dietetic Intern			
Preceptor			
Rotation			

This evaluation represents Preceptor's assessment of dietetic internship student's competence and readiness as an entry-level dietitian in *Medical Nutrition Therapy (clinical dietetics)*. It is used to help Faculty Supervisor determine final grade for this rotation.

PLEASE CHECK ONE BLANK BELOW:

I This candidate has met and exceeded the competencies in the time al	owed
in the <i>clinical</i> area to function as an entry-level dietitian. Given my knowledge of this	
candidate's current performance, he/she should have little difficulty becoming a practic	ing
dietitian.	

II. ______ This candidate has met all the competencies, and given additional study/practice, should be able to function in the *clinical* area as an entry level dietitian. Given my knowledge of this candidate's current performance, he/she should plan to devote additional time to the study of the *clinical* area.

III. ______ This candidate has met some of the competencies, and needs additional study/practice to be able to function as an entry level dietitian. Given my knowledge of this candidate's current performance, a plan for further supervised practice should be developed for the student and he/she should plan to devote additional time to the study and practice of the *clinical* area.

Preceptor:	Date:	
*I=A		
II=B		
III=C		

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Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Rotation Experience	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	DI 1.1 Select appropriate indicators and measure achievement of clinical, programmatic, quality, productivity, economic or other outcomes	A. Define outcomes as they relate to community nutrition. Where are they found and how are they used? Write a report describing the outcomes most frequently used in your community setting. Identify trends	 Report to be evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook. 		
		 and implications. B. Complete a rotation project using outcome data that adds to the knowledge of the field of public health and improves the nutritional status of the public. Project to include measurable objectives. 	 B. Project evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook. 		
Thesis Project Advisor: (Pass/Fail)	DI 1.2 Apply evidence-based guidelines, systematic reviews and scientific literature (such as the ADA Evidence Analysis Library, Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, National Guideline Clearinghouse Web sites) in the nutrition care process and model and other areas of dietetics practice.	N/A ~ FN 540 & Thesis			
	DI 1.3 Justify programs, products, services and care using appropriate evidence or data.	A. Choose a nutrition program in your community and supervise its activities for 1 day. Review the policies and procedures, goals and objectives specific to the program. Evaluate the effectiveness of the program.	A. Project evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook.		

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	DIX II. Competencies/ Learning O		X		0	 0112
FN 581	DI 1.4 Evaluate emerging research	Α.	Read and evaluate 5 current (within	Α.	Documentation	
(Grade:)	for application in dietetics practice.		1 year) journal articles that relate to		evaluated by Preceptor	
Thesis Project			public health. Critique articles using		and Faculty Supervisor.	
Advisor:			the "Analyzing the Content of a		Document in notebook.	
(Pass/Fail)			Research Article" form available in			
· · · · ·			your student handbook.	В.	Summary evaluated by	
		В.	Choose a current public health topic		Preceptor and Faculty	
			that is controversial. Explain both		Supervisor. Document in	
			sides of the controversy, backing up		notebook.	
			statements and arguments with	C.	Summary evaluated by	
			scientific evidence.		Preceptor and Faculty	
		C.	Distinguish between outcomes and		Supervisor. Document in	
			research. Where can outcomes and		notebook.	
			research data be found? How is it			
			helpful in the field of community			
			nutrition?			
FN 581	DI 1.5 Conduct research projects	Α.	Review at least 10 articles on	Α.	Written evaluations	
(Grade:)	using appropriate research methods,		community nutrition and/or		assessed by Preceptor	
Thesis Project	ethical procedures and statistical		community nutrition programs.		and Faculty Supervisor.	
Advisor:	analysis.		Critique the content of the article		Document in notebook.	
(Pass/Fail)			using the "Analyzing the Content of			
			a Research Article" form that is in			
			your student handbook. The articles			
			must be approved and/or provided			
			by your Preceptor. May be used in			
			rotation project.			

2. Professional Practice Expectations: beliefs, values, attitudes and behaviors for the professional dietitian level of practice.

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes		Rotation Experience	E	Rotation valuation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
	DI 2.1 Practice in compliance with current federal regulations and state	А.	Read and examine Code of Ethics for the Profession of	Α.	Signed statement indicating		
	statutes and rules, as applicable and in accordance with accreditation standards and the ADA Scope of	В.	Dietetics. Model acceptable professional behavior throughout experience.		understanding and agreement to these principles.		

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	Dietetics Practice Framework, Standards of Professional Performance	C.	Demonstrate ability to communicate effectivelyorally	В.	Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor evaluate.	
	and Code of Ethics for the Profession		and in writing.	C.		
	of Dietetics		ene in mang.	•	and Faculty Supervisor.	
					Document in notebook.	
FN 540: Legislation project (L Grade:) (Overall:) FN 530/585: Site Experience (SE Grade:) (Overall:) Thesis Project (Pass/Fail)	DI 2.2 Demonstrate professional writing skills in preparing professional communications (e.g. research manuscripts, project proposals, education materials, policies and procedures).	A.	Revise or develop brochures or educational materials for target population(s) of the facility.	Α.	Products evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook.	
FN 530/585: Site Experience (SE Grade:) Nutrition Project (Nut Grade:) (Overall:)	DI 2.3 Design, implement and evaluate presentations considering life experiences, cultural diversity and educational background of the target audience.	A. B.	Plan, prepare, present, and evaluate at least one in-service presentation to professional staff. Summarize evaluations. Evaluate a minimum of three educational presentations (other than your own) using the Oral Presentation Checklist.	А. В.	Written lesson plans reviewed and approved by Preceptor prior to presentation. Performance evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook. Evaluations reviewed by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook.	
	DI 2.4 Use effective education and counseling skills to facilitate behavior change.	N/	A ~ FN 530			
	DI 2.5 Demonstrate active participation, teamwork and contributions in group settings.	A.	Actively participate in a community-based health promotion/disease prevention task force, initiative, project, or program approved by your Preceptor. Summarize the mission, goals, objectives, and	А. В.	Summary to be evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook. Summary to be evaluated by Preceptor	
			recent activities. Explain your role in the program.		and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook.	

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		B.	Actively participate in health fair in the community and assist w/various screenings. Describe the activity and your participation. Complete a health assessment of yourself.			
	DI 2.7 Refer clients and patients to other professionals and services when needs are beyond individual scope of practice	А. В. С.	Create file and index of community services in notebook including addresses, phone numbers, and names of contact persons. Document how the nutritionist works with other health care team members in providing education and counseling. Document and demonstrate the process of referral. Provide appropriate client referrals to other team members and other health care and social service agencies. The write-up should include characteristics of clients referred and description of how, when, and why a client would be referred.	A. B. C.	Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor evaluate. Document in notebook. Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor evaluate. Document in notebook. Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor evaluate. Document at least five referrals in notebook.	
FN 540: Needs Assessment (NA Grade:) (Overall:) FN 530: Site Experience (SE Grade:) (Overall:)	DI 2.8 Demonstrate initiative by proactively developing solutions to problems	N/ /	A ~ FN 540			

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	DI 2.9 Apply leadership principles effectively to achieve desired outcomes	A.	Evaluate the screening activities of the agency. Use agency form if available. Summarize your evaluations.	A.	Summary evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook.	
		B.	Throughout your rotation, you will assist your Preceptor as needed. However, you must document how you have managed or helped manage the department, program, and service for <u>no less</u> <u>than 3 days</u> as a professional public health nutritionist, taking calls as the "assistant". Record	B.	Performance evaluated by Preceptor. Document in notebook.	
		0	decisions that confronted you during the management experience. Document with written log.	C.	student's review, evaluation, and recommendations. Faculty Supervisor also	
		C.	Participate with a nutritionist in reviewing the state licensure procedures to assure that nutrition services are in line with agency plans and regulations. Review most recent monitoring tool. Do extended care facilities meet the food and nutrition needs of clients and target markets? Complete one on-site review and evaluate licensure compliance. Complete written evaluation and recommendation(s) with the supervision of a Registered Dietitian.		reviews. Document in notebook.	
SIDA, IDA, & ADA	DI 2.10 Serve in professional and community organizations	A.	Attend at least three dietetic continuing education programs offered at the local, regional, state, or national level. Other	A.	Explain how these presentations meet a personal goal or apply to internship	

		1 2	professional meetings may also be acceptable (ask faculty supervisor). Summarize learning outcomes from meetings and application to professional practice.		experiences, and write a summary of how the presentations apply to practice or professional growth.	
		3				
	DI 2.11 Establish collaborative relationships with internal and external stakeholders, including patients, clients, care givers, physicians, nurses and other health professionals, administrative and support personnel to facilitate individual and organizational goals	A. B. C.	Record orientation activities to state and regional public health services. Diagram an organizational chart for your community rotation site including divisions, sections, departments, employees, etc. Address funding issues. Describe how agency policies and procedures are developed, disseminated, and enforced. Explain the process of revising policies and procedures.	А. В. С.	Record evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook. Diagram and summary evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook. Definition and plan evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook.	
	DI 2.12 Demonstrate professional attributes such as advocacy, customer focus, risk taking, critical thinking, flexibility, time management, work prioritization and work ethic within various organizational cultures.	A.	Demonstrate good time management skills, work prioritization, and work ethic throughout rotation experience.	Α.	Performance to be evaluated by Preceptor.	
FN 581 (Grade:)	DI 2.13 Perform self assessment, develop goals and objectives and prepare a draft portfolio for professional development as defined by the Commission on Dietetics Registration.	Α.	Keep a daily log (journal) of visits, topics of discussions, working agreements, etc., with health care team and list influence of each person visited on dietetic/health promotion services. Record	А.	Logs evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Document in notebook.	

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	B. C.	observations or participation in activities. Write a sample goal for your CDR Professional Development Dietetic Portfolio (self- assessment). At each of the three evaluation visits, be prepared to describe your professional strengths, weaknesses, and areas needing more attention or direction (self- assessment). Throughout your rotations update your professional portfolio.	B. C. D.	Goal to be evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Preceptor(s) list positive aspects, as well as areas for growth, of intern's community abilities. To be evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty	
DI 2.14 Demonstrate assertiveness and negotiation skills while respecting life experiences, cultural diversity and educational background	N//	your protessional portfolio. A ~ FN 530		Supervisor.	

3. Clinical and Customer Services: development and delivery of information, products and services to individuals, groups and populations

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Rotation Experience	Rotation Evaluation Strategy	Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
FN 574 (Grade:)	DI 3.1 Perform the Nutrition Care Process (a through d below) and use standardized nutrition language for individuals, groups and populations of differing ages and health status, in a variety of settings DI 3.1.a. Assess the nutritional status of individuals, groups and populations in a variety of	 A. Screen a minimum of 5 clients and complete SOAP/ADIME notes/care plans. B. Write and present summary reports for the individuals from agencies, e.g. WIC, Head Start. 	 A. Notes to be reviewed and approved by Preceptor. B. Summary reports evaluated by Faculty. 		

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with nutrition, food safety and health messages and interventions		determination of need, objectives, methods, implementation, marketing materials, and evaluation. Cost program or workshop.		by Preceptor.	
DI 3.5 Deliver respectful, science- based answers to consumer questions concerning emerging trends	A.	Effectively and appropriately answer questions posed by workshop attendees and preceptor(s). Refer to DI 3.4 and 5.8.	A.	Performance evaluated by Preceptor.	

4. Practice Management and Use of Resources: strategic application of principles of management and systems in the provision of services to individuals and organizations.

Graduate Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes	Evaluation Strategy		Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
FN 540: Legislation project (LP Grade:) (Overall:)	DI 4.4 Participate in public policy activities, including both legislative and regulatory initiatives	 A. Recognize the impact of political, legislative, and economic factors on dietetic practice. Observe hearing(s), write letter(s) (e.g., on proposed legislation or proposed regulations from the Federal Register), or in some way participate in the legislative process. B. Participate in policy making related to health and nutrition services, programs, and projects in community rotation. Participate as an advocate in legislation related to nutrition and health. State, in writing, the influence of a specific law or federal guideline on two existing programs. Identify where authority lays for these programs at the Federal, State, or 	 A. Documentation of selected activity reviewed by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. B. Summary evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. 		

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			local levels.			
FN 530/585: Nutrition Project	DI 4.6 Use current informatics technology to develop, store, retrieve and disseminate information and data DI 4.10 Develop a business plan for a product, program or service including	А. В. С.	Use computer and other technologies in the practice of dietetics by collecting or using existing data and practice storing, retrieving, analyzing, and interpreting health data, to complete a rotation research project and other studies as assigned. Describe various methods of communication used by health professionals. What are the advantages/disadvantages of each? Provide examples. Describe data sources frequently used in community nutrition. How are they used? Who gathers the data? How is it analyzed? What reports are generated, if any? A ~ FN 530	А. В. С.	Rotation project, and other projects as assigned, evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Summary evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor. Summary evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor.	
(Nut Grade:) (Overall:)	development of a budget, staffing needs, facility requirements, equipment and supplies					

5. Community emphasis competencies/learning outcomes.

Coursework	Competencies/Learning Outcomes		Evaluation Strategy			Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory, Incomplete	Week Project Completed
FN 530/585: Site Experience (SE Grade:) (Overall:)	DI 5.1 Observe and evaluate nutrition and health care for diverse population groups across the lifespan.	A.	Provide health promotion and disease prevention services by providing direct nutrition care and counseling through systematic screening, assessment, planning, intervention, and evaluation for	A.	Performance evaluated by Preceptor		

	DIX A: Competencies/Learning Out		individuals and groups in the community. Include as much diversity as possible: i.e., different age groups, cultures, religions, etc. Document differences in services based on different populations.		0	
FN 540: Needs Assessment (NA Grade:) (Overall:)	DI 5.2 Conduct community-based nutrition and health program outcome assessment/evaluation.	Α.	Actively participate in a community-based health promotion/disease prevention task force, initiative, project, or program approved by your Preceptor. Summarize the mission, goals, objectives, and recent activities. Explain your role in the program.	A.	Performance evaluated by Preceptor.	
		В.	Participate with a nutritionist in reviewing the state licensure procedures to assure that nutrition services are in line with agency plans and regulations. Review most recent monitoring tool. Do extended care facilities meet the food and nutrition needs of clients and target markets? Complete one on-site review and evaluate licensure compliance. Complete written evaluation and recommendation(s) with the supervision of a Registered Dietitian.	В.	Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor evaluates student's review, evaluation, and recommendations.	
	DI 5.3 Compare and contrast community-based food and nutrition programs.	Α.	Visit 10 different facilities with community nutrition components. Sites must include a long-term care facility, a school, a Wellness Program, and a WIC site. Additional sites may include:	A.	Record evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor.	

FN 540:	DIA A. Competencies/Learning Out			-	8	
			group homes, senior citizen's			
Programs project			center, farmer's market, Head			
(PrP Grade:)	DI 5.7 Consult with organizations		Start agency, soup kitchen, food			
(Overall:)	regarding food access for target		pantry, homeless shelter, food			
	populations.		bank, University of Illinois			
			Extension, etc.). <u>Summarize</u> your			
			visits including an explanation as			
			to why the program was			
			established, the program's			
			mission and goals, how it is			
			funded, how many people it			
			serves, what are the eligibility			
			requirements, how the program			
			marketed, etc.			
FN 540	DI 5.4 Participate in needs	Α.	Document the use of food,	Α.	,	
Needs	assessment, nutrition surveillance		nutrition, and social services in		Preceptor and Faculty	
Assessment	and/or monitoring of target groups or		community programs. Assess and		Supervisor.	
(NA Grade:)	communities		analyze agency to identify			
(Grade:)			multidisciplinary program and			
			approaches to delivery of			
			services. Describe agencies in			
			community and refer clients to			
			agencies.	В.	Preceptor and Faculty	
		В.	Choose a nutrition program in	υ.	Supervisor evaluates	
			your community and supervise its		student's review,	
			activities for 1 day. Review the		evaluation, and	
			policies and procedures, goals		recommendations.	
			and objectives specific to the		recommendations.	
			program. Evaluate the			
			effectiveness of the program.			
		С	Interpret data from computer		0	
		0.	output and compare data to	C.		
			appropriate national data (e.g.,		Preceptor and Faculty	
			NHANES, NFCS).		Supervisor.	
		D.	Evaluate nutrition survey and		_	
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			reported nutrition research for:		Preceptor and Faculty	
			1		Supervisor.	
		•	accuracy;			
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	DI 5.5 Participate in community-	 practical implications, applying research information and methods to dietetic practice. A. Apply data (survey) to at least two A. Performance and
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		 B. Summarize and interpret data from computer output and compare data to appropriate national data (e.g., NHANES, NFCS). This may be related to rotation project or other duties as assigned. B. Summary evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor.
FN 540: Legislation project (LP Grade:) (Overall:)	DI 5.6 Participate in nutrition and health policy development and evaluation based on community needs and resources	A. Identify specific agency activities (nutrition related) that support Year 2020 objectives. A. Documentation evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor.
、		B. Develop strategies to meet identified specific agency activities that support Year 2020 objectives. B. Strategies evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor.
FN 540: Nutrition Project (Nut Grade:) (Overall:)	DI 5.7 Consult with organizations regarding food access for target populations	Refer to DI 5.3
FN 540: Needs Assessment (NA Grade:) Program Planning (PP Grade:) (Grade:)	DI 5.8 Develop a health promotion/disease prevention intervention project.	A. Conduct a minimum of two nutrition programs / workshops that include a complete assessment of target populations, determination of need, objectives, methods, implementation, and evaluation. Cost programs or workshops. A. Written lesson plans reviewed and approved by Preceptor prior to presentation. Performances evaluated by Preceptor.

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DI 5.9 Participate in waived point-of-	Δ	Describe various lab tests	Δ	Documentation	
care testing, such as hematocrit and blood glucose levels, and conduct general health assessment, e.g., blood pressure and vital signs.	B.	performed in the community setting. What is measured? Why? What groups are at risk? How are clients counseled if risk factors are identified? Perform at least 2 of these tests on others or yourself.	В.	evaluated by Preceptor and Faculty Supervisor.	

Rotation project is to be summarized in a report that includes (A) Needs Assessment, (B) Literature Review, (C) Purpose/Goals/Objectives of Project, (D) Implementation/Procedures/Methods, (E) Evaluation, (F) Results or Product (Discussion), and (G) Marketing (if applicable).

*Competency statements are from the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education of The American Dietetic Association, 2008 Eligibility Requirements and Accreditation Standards for Dietetic Internship Programs (DI).

Definitions

Excellent: Intern has met and exceeded the competency requirement and program expectations.

Satisfactory: Intern has met the competency requirement and program expectations.

Unsatisfactory: Intern's performance and/or written report inadequate and does not meet program expectations.

Incomplete: Intern is on track to meet the competency, however, is missing key elements. Intern will revise and re-submit.

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Complete as many of your 10 visits as possible prior to going out on rotations. Each visit must be to different types of facilities.

HHS. Health and Human Services (U.S. Dept. of ...). www.hhs.gov

- ACF. Administration for Children and Families
 - TANF. Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
 - o Head Start
- AOA. Administration on Aging.
 - Meals on Wheels
- CDC. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. <u>www.cdc.gov</u>
 - National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion
 - National Center for Environmental Health
 - National Center for Health Statistics
- CMS. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (formerly HCFA)
- FDA. Food and Drug Administration
- NIH. National Institutes of Health. <u>www.nih.gov</u>
 - NCI. National Cancer Institute
 - o NHLBI. National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute
 - NIA. National Institute on Aging
 - o NIAAA. National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
 - **o** NICHD. National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
 - **o** NIDDK. National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases
 - **NIGMS.** National Institute of General Medical Sciences
 - o **NLM.** National Library of Medicine
 - o NCCAM. National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine
 - **NCMHD.** National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities
 - Note. There are many more institutes & centers at NIH.

USDA. United States Department of Agriculture. www.usda.gov

- FSIS. Food Safety Inspection Service
 - Consumer Education and Information
 - **FNS**. Food and Nutrition Service
 - Food Stamp Program
 - Food Distribution Program
 - Child Nutrition Programs
 - School Lunch Program
 - School Breakfast Program
 - Child Care Program
 - Summer Food Program
 - WIC. Women, Infants and Children Program/Farmers' Market
 - Community Food Security
- **CNPP.** Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion
 - Food Guide Pyramid
 - o Dietary Guidelines
- Food Pantries
- Soup Kitchens
- Homeless Shelters
- Food Banks
- University of Illinois Extension
- IDPH. Safety and Sanitation inspections

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY CARBONDALE ACCREDITATION STANDARDS

DIETETIC INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS

APPENDIX A: Competencies/Learning Outcomes for Dietetic Internship Programs – COMMUNITY PRACTICUM

Outline for Analyzing Original Research Articles for

FN 540 & Dietetic Internship Program at SIUC*

Title and authors of article: Please continue on back as needed...

1. Is the title sufficiently informative?

- 2. Does the title inspire you to want to read the article?
- 3. Do you recognize the authors' names, credentials, and/or affiliations?

Introduction and Objective of the Study:

4. Is the "problem" stated clearly and concisely? What gap in knowledge is being addressed in the study? Is the problem important?

5. Do the authors use the existing literature to develop a sound and logical rationale for the study? Are the references appropriate and comprehensive?

6. Do the authors provide a theoretical context for the study?

7. Is the specific purpose of the study clearly stated? Are the hypotheses or guiding questions clearly stated?

Methods:

8. Who were the subjects? Were the subjects adequately described?

- 9. How were the subjects selected, and from what population were they chosen?
- 10. Did the authors clearly state any exclusion criteria or inclusion criteria?
- 11. How many subjects were studied? What was the "N"?
- 12. Was the research design clearly described?
- 13. Was the research design appropriate for answering the research question?
- 14. Were subjects assigned to groups, or were intact groups used?
- 15. Was a randomization procedure used? Was a control group used?
- 16. How many groups were tested?
- 17. Were the screening / survey instruments described in detail?
- 18. Did the authors document the reliability and validity of the instruments?
- 19. Were the data collection procedures described adequately to allow for replication?
- 20. Were operational definitions provided for all dependent and independent variables?
- 21. Did the authors address each research question in the analyses?

Results:

22. Were the results presented clearly? Were the figures and tables presented clearly?

23. Were the results statistically significant?

Discussion and Conclusions:

24. How did the authors interpret the results? Do you agree with the authors?

25. Did the authors clearly state whether the hypothesis was rejected or accepted?

- 26. Did the authors consider alternative explanations for the obtained results?
- 27. Did the authors identify limitations of the study?
- 28. Regardless of the statistical outcome, are the results clinically important?

29. Did the authors discuss how the results apply to practice?

30. Did the authors present suggestions for further research needed?

31. Did the stated conclusions flow logically from the obtained results?

Abstract:

32. Does the abstract contain specific and accurate information about the purpose, methods, results, and major conclusions of the presented work?

*Adapted from Portney, LG and Watkins MP. Foundations of Clinical Research. Appleton, Lange, Norwalk, 1993.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY CARBONDALE ACCREDITATION STANDARDS DIETETIC INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS

APPENDIX A: Competencies/Learning Outcomes for Dietetic Internship Programs – COMMUNITY PRACTICUM

Student Practice Review Evaluation (SPRE)

ROTATION:	Community Nutrition		
SITE:			
SPRE Committee Members:			
DIETETIC INTERN (Student):			
		SIGNATURES	
	Week No.** Date	Week No.** Date	Week No Date

Dietetic Intern:		
Preceptor:		
Faculty Supervisor:		
Other:		

****Statement of intern's progress:**

Number of days the intern was late _____ or absent _____ during the rotation.

* If late or absent, the intern contacted me ahead of time to explain the situation. Yes _____ No ____* *Describe:

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APPENDIX A: Competencies/Learning Outcomes for Dietetic Internship Programs – COMMUNITY PRACTICUM

Dietetic Intern Evaluation Form for Community

Dietetic Intern	
Preceptor	
Rotation	

This evaluation represents Preceptor's assessment of dietetic internship student's competence and readiness as an entry-level dietitian in *Community*. It is used to help Faculty Supervisor determine final grade for this rotation.

PLEASE CHECK ONE BLANK BELOW:

I. ______ This candidate has met and exceeded the competencies in the time allowed in the *Community* area to function as an entry-level dietitian. Given my knowledge of this candidate's current performance, he/she should have little difficulty becoming a practicing dietitian.

II._____ This candidate has met all the competencies, and given additional study/practice, should be able to function in the *Community* area as an entry level dietitian. Given my knowledge of this candidate's current performance, he/she should plan to devote additional time to the study of *Community*.

III. _____ This candidate has met some of the competencies, and needs additional study/practice to be able to function as an entry level dietitian. Given my knowledge of this candidate's current performance, a plan for further supervised practice should be developed for the student and he/she should plan to devote additional time to the study and practice of the *Community* area.

Preceptor:	Date:
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Instructions for Rotation Evaluation Form for Supervised Practice Rotations

Please help us evaluate SIU's Dietetic Internship Program by completing the attached form. We will use your responses to improve the program as well as to maintain its best features. Each rotation is evaluated separately.

To prevent bias, the form needs to be completed <u>before</u> you are assigned a grade. Please feel comfortable in providing your most honest assessments. Your evaluations will be kept confidential when you follow the steps below.

Instructions:

- **1.** One week before the end of your rotation, complete the appropriate Rotation Evaluation Form (i.e, for clinical, management or community).
- 2. Send the evaluation to the address on page 3 of the form. Be sure to <u>include</u> <u>"Attention: Rotation Evaluation Form"</u>. This will insure that your envelope is opened by the secretary and not by faculty.
- 3. Your envelope must be postmarked by the date indicated at the bottom of this cover sheet. This timing assures that you do not receive a grade until <u>after</u> you have completed the evaluation.
- 4. Keep this cover sheet and the next blank page intact. A staff person will remove the cover sheet and record that you returned your Rotation Evaluation Form in a timely manner. The blank sheet will further insure that your responses will not be viewed prior to your grade assignment. Your completed Rotation Evaluation Form will be filed away until you have completed each supervised practice rotation and each grade has been officially recorded.

Reminder: the term "Faculty Supervisor" refers to the SIUC faculty member who reviewed your progress during the rotation. "Rotation Site" refers to the process and individuals involved in your experience. The term "preceptor" refers to the person(s) on site (hospital/health department) who directed your experience.

For our records, please print your name and date clearly in the box below. The evaluation form will be removed from the top sheet so that your name will not be identified with it. This process assures the confidentiality of your responses.

Name:				
Complete form and Mail (postmark) by:				
Circle appropriate Rotation:	CLINICAL	MANAGEMENT	COMMUNITY	
Postmark Deadline				

Rotation Evaluation

_____ Clinical

____ Community ____ Management

INSTRUCTIONS

Please answer each question carefully. This evaluation is important because supervised practice experiences are an integral aspect of the academic program. Preceptors and faculty supervisor are links between rotation site and university. Your evaluation is helpful for facilitating changes that affect efficacy of rotations.

Answer questions as they apply to your rotation experience with your preceptor and faculty supervisor. Number 5 represents highest score (i.e., always, outstanding); Number 1 represents lowest score (i.e., never, poor); NA = Not Applicable.

Student Evaluation of Internship Director						
and Rotation Process	5	4	3	2	1	NA
1. What is your overall rating of your preparation for this rotation?						
2. Were you given ample opportunity to review the competencies during FN 530 and/or FN 581?						
3. Were your education, professional background, and career objectives met during the placement?						
4. Did you have opportunities for conferences with the internship director when requested?						
5. Was the internship director's knowledge about the professional discipline adequate?						
6. Were you provided, when requested, information and/or an opportunity for orientation to sites before placement? (Visits or material)						
7. Were preliminary activities or assignments helpful to your preparation for the rotation?						
8. Did you receive your rotation assignment at least 6 months prior to your rotation?						
9. Was the internship director responsive to your questions, interests, and concerns?						
10. Was the internship director available for problem-solving before and during the rotation when you requested it?						
11 . Did the internship director monitor your performance at the rotation site at least once?						
12. Was the internship director able to advise and teach regarding professional competency areas encountered during the rotation?						
13. Considering the great difference in student educational needs and professional interest, how would you rate overall the effectiveness of the internship director?						

Comments and Recommendations regarding teaching effectiveness and responsiveness to students. For any rating below 3 to items listed above, please give specific reasons.

Name of Faculty	
Supervisor:	
Name or Rotation	
Site	
(Institution &	
Location):	

Student Evaluation of Rotation Site	5	4	3	2	1	NA
14. Was the site prepared for you and were you briefed on requirements expected by the preceptor?						
15 . Were competencies and special projects discussed early in the rotation?						
16. Were required site written assignments or reports made clear?						
17. Did the assignment(s) assist in the integration of academic learning with professional practice?						
18 . Did the assignment(s) stimulate you to investigate broadly the environment of the rotation site?						

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

- 1. What was your best experience with this rotation?
- 2. What did you find that you benefit from that you did not expect?
- 3. What could have been done to better prepare you for this rotation?

Comments and Recommendations regarding improvement of the placement: For any rating below 3 to the questions above, please give specific reasons:

Student Assessment of Preceptor	5	4	3	2	1	NA
19. Was the preceptor responsive to your questions, interests, and concerns?						
20. Was the preceptor available to you for problem solving during the rotation?						
21. Did the preceptor monitor your performance during the rotation?						
22. Was the preceptor able to advise and teach regarding professional competency areas encountered?						
23. Considering the great differences in students' educational needs and professional interests, how would you rate overall the effectiveness of the preceptor?						

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

1. What could the preceptor have done differently to better meet your needs?

Comments and Recommendations regarding teaching effectiveness and responsiveness to students. For any rating below 3 for the items above, please give specific reasons.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:

Dietetic Internship Coordinator Mailcode 4317 Southern Illinois University Carbondale Carbondale, IL 62901

Attn: Dietetic Internship Rotation Evaluation

Self-Assessment Tool for Public Health Nutritionists

The purpose of attached tool is to help you objectively assess your expertise in five general areas of public health nutrition.

This tool is also used to evaluate our graduate degree program in food and nutrition at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. To achieve this, your assistance is extremely important. After being accepted into graduate program in food and nutrition, we ask that you complete the form four times:

- before coursework
- before practicum (supervised practice rotations)
- after practicum
- after passing Registration Examination for Dietitians and working for one year after examination

Please complete requested information in box below. This top sheet will be removed from assessment form so that you will not be identified by name with information you provide. This process has been implemented to insure confidentiality of your responses.

NAME	
DATE:	
l com	pleted this assessment tool (check appropriate box):
	Before coursework
	Before practicum
	After practicum
	After R.D. Examination and one year of work

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:

Dietetic Internship Coordinator Food & Nutrition, Mailcode 4317 Southern Illinois University Carbondale Carbondale, IL 62901 *ATTN: Self-Assessment, PHN*

Self-Assessment Tool for Public Health Nutritionists

This tool is designed to help you implement ADA Standards of Practice (#4) and objectively assess your expertise in five general areas of public health nutrition. You can use the assessment to develop a career development plan. It is important to complete each item even though the particular skill or knowledge may not be required in your present job.

For purpose of this self-assessment, following definitions are used:

- 1. Expert possess this knowledge/skill as a result of training and/or experience and feel able to speak and act with authority in this area
- 2. Competent feel knowledge/skill exceeds average but is less than level of "expert"
- 3. Adequate consider knowledge/skill is satisfactory or average
- 4. Beginner feel knowledge/skill is characterized by uncertainty and lack of confidence
- 5. Unqualified assess knowledge/skill as inadequate and performance in area would be difficult without technical assistance; assistance would be needed if required to apply this knowledge/skill

I. Nutrition and Dietetics Practice

•	Knowledge of the principles and practice of nutrition throughout the life cycle	EXPERT		UN	UNQUALIFIED		
	- normal nutrition	1 1	2 2	3 3	4 4	5 5	
	 meal planning, food selection, preparation, processing and service for individuals and groups 	1	2	3	4	5	
•	Knowledge of human behavior, particularly health and diet-related behaviors	1	2	3	4	5	
•	Knowledge of techniques for effecting behavior change	1	2	3	4	5	
•	Skill in process of interviewing and counseling	1	2	3	4	5	
•	Knowledge of the cultures and life styles of ethnic and socioeconomic groups represented in the community	1	2	3	4	5	
•	Knowledge and skill in nutrition assessment techniques:						
	- anthropometrics	1	2	3	4	5	
	- biochemical	1	2	3	4	5	
	- clinical	1	2	3	4	5	
	- dietary	1	2	3	4	5	
	- socioeconomic	1	2	3	4	5	

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	Exper	t U	nqua	lified	
Skill in the interpretation and use of data from nutrition assessment for:					
- individuals	1	2	3	4	5
- populations	1	2	3	4	5

II. Communication

					-	
		Exper	: U	nqua	lified	
•	Skill in communicating scientific information at levels appropriate for different audiences, both orally and in writing:					
	- consumers/public	1	2	3	4	5
	- health professionals	1	2	3	4	5
	- the media	1	2	3	4 4 4	5
•	Skill in using various communication channels and working with the media:					
	 printed media (newspapers, magazines, newsletters) 	1	2	3	4	5
	- radio	1	2	3	4	5
	- films/video	1	2	3	4	5
	- television	1 1 1	2	3	4 4 4 4	5
				-		
•	Knowledge of methods to outreach to prospective clients to enhance their participation in health and nutrition programs	1	2	3	4	5
•	Knowledge of the principles of social marketing for use in health and nutrition programs	1	2	3	4	5
•	Skill in negotiation and use of group process techniques (brainstorming, focus groups, nominal group process) to achieve goals and objectives	1	2	3	4	5
•	Skill in participating effectively as a member of agency and/or community boards, committees, and task forces	1	2	3	4	5
•	Skill in using the consultation process	1	2	3	4	5

III. Public Health Science and Practice

		Expert	l	Inqua	lified	
•	Knowledge and understanding of the epidemiologic approach to measure and describe health and nutrition problems in the community	1	2	3	4	5
•	Knowledge of biostatistics, including principles of:					
	- data collection and management	1	2	3	4	5
	- statistical analysis and inferences	1	2	3	4 4	5
	- computer applications for data compilation and analyses	1	2	3	4	5
•	Knowledge of research design and methodology	1	2	3	4	5
		Expert	ι	Ingua	lified	
•	Skill in interpreting research and its implications for the practice of public health and nutrition	1	2	3	4	5

• Skill in conducting a community health and nutrition needs assessment, including:

 knowledge of local community including community networks and power structures 	1	2	3	4	5
- knowledge of available data sources and their use	1	2	3	4	5
- skill in soliciting input on perceived needs from clients, community leaders,	1	2	3	4	5
and health professionals					
 knowledge of community health and human service programs and of 	1	2	3	4	5
appropriate resources for client referral					

IV. Management

	-	Expert	U	ngual	lified	
•	Skill in community organization	1	2	3	4	5
•	Skill in translating community assessment data into agency program plan for nutrition services, including:					
	- prioritizing goals	1	2	3	4	5
	- development of measurable objectives	1	2	3	4	5
	- development of achievable action plans	1	2	3	4	5
	- use of quality control measures	1	2	3	4	5
	- development of evaluation systems	1	2	3	4	5
•	Skill in integrating plan for nutrition services into overall mission and plan of the health agency	1	2	3	4	5
•	Skill in organizing and prioritizing work	1	2	3	4	5
•	Knowledge of quality assurance methodology, including the writing of measurable health outcomes and nutrition care standards	1	2	3	4	5
•	Skill in applying the principles of personnel management, including:					
	- recruiting	1	2	3	4	5
	- staffing	1	2	3	4	5
	- supervising	1	2	3	4	5
	- performance appraisal	1	2	3	4	5
	- staff development	1	2	3	4	5
•	Skill in applying principles of financial management of health services, including:					
	- forecasting of fiscal needs	1	2	3	4	5
	- budget preparation and justification	1	2	3	4	5
	- reimbursement systems	1	2	3	4	5
		1	2	3	4	5
	- control of revenues and expenditures	T	2	3	4	9
		Expert			lified	
•	Knowledge of available funding sources for public health and public health nutrition programs	1	2	3	4	5
•	Skill in grant and contract management, including:					
	- preparation	1	2	3	4	5
	- negotiation	1	2	3	4	5
	- monitoring	1	2	3	4	5
	- monitoring	_		-	4	
•	Skill in applying principles of cost/benefit and cost/effectiveness analysis	1	2	3	4	5

V. Legislation and Advocacy

•••	oblighting and Automotion	Expert	l lr	nguali	fiod	
•	Knowledge of current and emerging public health and nutrition problems	1	2	3	4	5
•	Skill in identifying economic and societal trends which have implications for the health and nutritional status of the population	1	2	3	4	5
•	Knowledge of the political considerations involved in agency planning and decision making	1	2	3	4	5
•	Knowledge of the legislative base for public health and public health nutrition programs	1	2	3	4	5
•	Knowledge of federal, state, and local governmental structures and the processes involved in the development of public policy, legislation, and regulations that influence nutrition and health services	1	2	3	4	5
•	Knowledge of the purposes, function, and politics of organizations in the community which influence nutrition and health	1	2	3	4	5
•	Skill in participating in organized advocacy efforts for health and nutrition programs	1	2	3	4	5

Thank you for your input!

Optional Intern Evaluation Form

				Dawn C Quigley Hall – I 875 South Carbon	rogram Director . Null, M.S., R.D. Mail Code 4317 Normal Avenue Idale, IL 62901 618-453-5192 wnnull@siu.edu
Intern's Name:					
Rotation (circle):	Management Community	Clinical			
Evaluator:			Date:		
Site (facility)					

Below are a series of descriptive statements. Based on your knowledge of intern's work, please use following scale to evaluate progress:

- **1** = Always meets objectives without assistance (Excellent)
- 2 = Meets objectives most of the time without assistance (Very good/Good)
- 3 = Meets objectives some of the time with assistance
- 4 = Does not meet objectives
- NA = Not Applicable (please comment)

Place a check mark in appropriate column. Use "Not Applicable" column only when intern has not been required to demonstrate this characteristic on your service and please comment.

I. PLANNING, ORGANIZATION, APPLICATION	1	2	3	4	N A
1. Makes justifiable decisions, based on facts and/or observation					
2. Organizes work to achieve maximum results in minimum time					
3. Follows through with responsibilities					
4. Recognizes priorities that must be set					
5. Is consistently thorough and accurate					

Comments:

II. ADAPTABILITY	1	2	3	4	N A
1. Shows poise and confidence in new or stressful situations					
2. Seeks new and better ways of doing things					
3. Applies common sense to solving of a problems					
4. Is flexible in approach to patient care					

Comments:

III. PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT	1	2	3	4	N A
1. Maintains high standards of performance and ethics					
2. Evaluates own strengths and weaknesses					
3. Does not divulge privileged information					
4. Accepts responsibilitiy for continuing development of personal competence					

Comments:

IV. RESPONSIBLENESS	1	2	3	4	N A
1. Is not reluctant to assume responsibility					
2. Takes responsibility for decisions made					
3. Is dependable; keeps his or her word					
4. Seeks advice when needed					

Comments:

V. COMMUNICATION SKILLS	1	2	3	4	N A
1. Writes clearly and concisely					
2. Speaks articulately and effectively					
3. Practices good listening skills					
4. Recognizes when oral or written communication would be most effective					

Comments:

VI. PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS	1	2	3	4	N A
1. Cooperates with others—is not a "lone wolf"					
2. Is tactful, courteous and considerate					
3. Is open-minded—avoids undue criticism					
4. Accepts personality differences					

Comments:

VII. PATIENT RAPPORT	1	2	3	4	N A
1. Transmits a feeling of warmth and kindness					
2. Initiates and maintains meaningful communication					
3. Responds supportively to patient's needs and feelings					
4. Relates well to persons with different cultural and economic backgrounds					

Comments:

VIII. Does intern provide nutritional care by planning realistic objectives, developing a plan to reach these objectives and completing a method of evaluation?

IX. What, in your opinion, are intern's major strengths?

X. What recommendations do you make for the intern's next assignment? (Weak points that might be given concentrated effort).

Signatures

Evaluator:	
Intern:	
Date:	

FACILITIES & PROFESSIONAL STAFF PROVIDING SUPERVISED PRACTICE EXPERIENCES FOR SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY DIETETIC INTERNS

- 1. Name of Facility:
- 2. Facility accredited/licensed by: _____
- 3. Internship Rotation: <u>Community/Clinical/Management</u>
- 4. Maximum number of students from this program at one time:
- 5. Length of time students from this program are assigned to this facility:
- 6. Maximum number of dietetic students from this and other programs in this facility at

one time: _____

- 7. Number of Registered Dietitians: _____ (total) _____ (advanced degree)
- 8. Number of Dietetic Technicians: _____(total)
- 9. List all individuals involved with the program at this site, including department head, dietitians, and other professionals who are responsible for teaching, supervising, and evaluating dietetic interns.

Name, Credentials* (if applicable), Title, & Role in DI Program**	Summary of Professional Work Experiences

*If Registered Dietitian, please include a copy of current CDR card.

**Specify role in program; for example, Preceptor for Cardiac Rotation or Preceptor for Foodservice Management Rotation.

- 1. Please provide a brief description of your facility/agency/institution (mission, population served):
- 2. Please provide a brief description of department, including services performed, number of employees, and number of individuals served:
- **3.** Please provide a brief summary of experiences provided for students:

Post-Rotation Presentations

Overall Objectives:

To integrate knowledge gained from didactic and experiential learning in clinical, food service and community nutrition areas as recommended by Association of Graduate Programs in Public Health Nutrition, Inc. (AGPPHN, Inc.).

To provide students with the opportunity to make an oral presentation of field experiences.

I. Management Rotation

Objectives:

- To share observations and experiences on food service operations, administrative structures, management styles and strategies, educational approaches and evaluation techniques
- To compare and contrast nutrition programs and services in relation to legislation, sponsorship, fiscal constraints, staffing patterns and creative approaches to service delivery

Process:

- Bring rotation notebook to share with pre-experience students
- Provide organized 10-minute presentation covering following topics
 - Characteristics of rotation site, e.g., population served, organization and staffing, services available
 - Brief overview and analysis of abilities developed through observation and/or experience (e.g., achievement of competencies, consultation with professional workers, inservice training, group work with professional and/or non-professionals, preparation of educational materials)
 - Analysis of participation in one major activity (description of service activity, purpose, implementation, evaluation, self-evaluation of performance)
 - Analyze specific problems encountered in the placement, drafting possible solutions from material found in the literature
 - Personal tips on keeping track of notebook, activities, survival skills

II. Clinical Rotation

Objectives:

- To share observations and experiences on clinical operations, inpatient and outpatient services, administrative structures, management styles and strategies, educational approaches, community resources and evaluation techniques.
- To compare and contrast nutrition programs and services in relation to legislation, sponsorship, fiscal constraints, staffing patterns and creative approaches to service delivery

Process:

- Bring rotation notebook to share with pre-experience students
- Provide organized 10-minute presentation covering following topics.
 - Characteristics of rotation site, e.g., population served, organization and staffing, services
 available
 - Brief overview and analysis of abilities developed through observation and/or experience (e.g., achievement of competencies, consultation with professional workers, inservice training, group

Post-Rotation

work with professional and/or non-professionals, assessment and intervention techniques with patients or clients, preparation of educational materials)

- Analysis of participation in one major activity (description of service activity, purpose, implementation, evaluation, self-evaluation of performance)
- Analyze specific problems encountered in the placement, drafting possible solutions from material found in the literature
- Personal tips on keeping track of notebook, activities, survival skills

III. Community Rotation

Objectives:

- To identify and discuss critical issues affecting manner and delivery of public health nutrition services and application to profession of dietetics
- To compare and contrast nutrition programs and services in relation to legislation, sponsorship, fiscal constraints, staffing patterns and creative approaches to service delivery.

Process:

- Bring rotation notebook to share with pre-experience students
- Provide organized 10-minute presentation covering following topics.
 - Characteristics of rotation site, e.g., population served; vital statistics; economic, social and political characteristics; organization and staffing; public health programs and services available; relationship of public health nutrition programs to needs of population
 - Brief overview and analysis of abilities developed through observation and/or experience (e.g., achievement of competencies, consultation with professional workers, in-service training, group work with professional and/or non-professionals, preparation of educational materials)
 - Analysis of participation in one major activity (description of service activity, purpose, implementation, evaluation, self-evaluation of performance)
 - Analyze specific problems encountered in the placement, drafting possible solutions from material found in the literature
 - Personal tips on keeping track of notebook, activities, survival skills

Post-Rotation Description for Use by First Semester FN Graduate Students

These reports will be placed in Rotations Binders housed by DI Program Director. They will be available to FN Graduate Students who are trying to decide which rotations will best suit their career goals and objectives.

Please use format provided below. Please include all requested information.

Name of Facility Location of Facility Type of rotation (management, clinical, or community) Your name Year in which you completed the rotation

The Report:

Type and double-space your report using a size 12 font. Use Times New Roman or Arial.

Type each lead-in topic listed below. Use boldface type for each of these. Provide information related to each topic. Text of your report information should NOT be boldface.

- Characteristics of rotation site
- Overview and analysis of abilities developed through experience
- Analysis of participation in one major activity
- Analysis of specific problems encountered in the placement
- Personal tips on keeping track of notebook, activities, and survival skills
- Contact information (assuming you are willing to have internship students contact you to ask about a rotation)
- Additional comments (prn)

How I Completed Competencies

Choose 3 competencies which you thought were difficult to meet and describe how you completed them.

✓ Rotation: Management Clinical Community

Facility name & location:

<i>Competency</i> <i>Number &</i> <i>Letter:</i>	What I did
Estimated Time:	
Competency Number &	
Number & Letter:	
Estimated Time:	
Competency Number & Letter:	
Estimated Time:	

PROCEDURE FOR GRIEVANCE/	COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION
COMPLAINT ABOUT AN	FOR DIETETICS EDUCATION
ACCREDITED PROGRAM	
	American Dietetics Association
Revised April 1996.	120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000
	Chicago, Illinois 60606

A complaint or grievance about any accredited program may be submitted by any individual, for example, student, faculty, dietetics practitioner, and/or member of the general public. The following procedures will be used in the investigation of a grievance or complaint concerning an accredited program.

All written grievances will be forwarded to the Chair of the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education for action. The Commission will not intervene on behalf of individuals, or act as a court of appeal for individuals in matters of admissions, appointment, promotion, or dismissal of faculty or students. It will intervene only when it determines that the practices or conditions indicate that the program may not be in compliance with the Standards of Education or with published accreditation policies.

- 1. If the chair determines that the grievance or complaint does not relate to the Standards of Education or accreditation policies, the aggrieved will be notified accordingly.
- 2. If the chair determines that the grievance or complaint does relate to the Standards of Education or published accreditation policies then, under his or her direction, a written acknowledgment of receipt of the grievance, along with a description of the process for handling the grievance/complaint will be forwarded to the aggrieved, and the aggrieved will be requested to provide documentation, if necessary, that the program is not in compliance with the Standards of Education or published policies and procedures.
 - a. If the aggrieved provides sufficient documentation, written notification will be provided to the Program Director and to the administrative officers of the institution or organization sponsoring the program who signed the application.
 - b. If sufficient documentation is not provided, no further action will be taken.
- 3. Included in the notification to the institution will be a description of the grievance/complaint and, if appropriate, a request by the chair that the institution conduct a preliminary investigation with a report to the chair within 30 days. The chair may also request further information or material relative to the grievance from the aggrieved, the institution, or other sources.
- 4. The chair may appoint a review committee that considers the grievance/complaint, along with all relevant information, and take appropriate action. The program shall have the right to appear before the Commission, to present evidence, and to respond to any adverse evidence. Such action may be as follows:
 - a. If the grievance/complaint is determined to be unsubstantiated or not related to the Standards of Education or published accreditation policies, the aggrieved and the institution will be notified.
 - b. If the grievance/complaint is substantiated and indicates that the program may not be in compliance with the Standards of Education or published accreditation/approval policies, an on-sitse visit of the education program may be scheduled or other appropriate action taken. The institution will be notified of the review committee's action in writing within one month of the decision. The aggrieved will be notified when the appeals process expires (30 days).

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- 5. The Commission or the Commission chair may determine that legal counsel is needed to address the grievance/complaint. The ADA Education and Accreditation Team Leader will work with the Commission and ADA legal counsel to identify a plan to address the grievance/complaint.
- 6. The program will have the right to appeal a final decision by CADE to the Accreditation Appeals Committee.

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SIUC Academic Grievances Policy/Procedures

Graduate Student Academic Grievance Policy

Graduate students at SIUC shall have the right to appeal for redress of grievance through established channels under the conditions stated below. Access to these channels is restricted to complaints by graduate students al-leging that some member of the university community has caused the student to suffer some specific harm related to a matter within the authority of the dean of the Graduate School. Grievances which have been brought to a hearing under another campus grievance procedure shall not be brought to a hearing under this procedure.1

With respect to students' complaints alleging capricious grading, the following guidelines shall apply: Instructors are expected to evaluate student work according to sound academic standards. Equal demands should be required of all students in a class, and grades should be assigned without departing substantially from announced procedures. It is the instructor's prerogative to assign grades in accordance with his/her academic/professional judgment, and the student assumes the burden of proof in the appeals process. Grounds for appeals include: (1) the application of non-academic criteria in the grading process, as listed in the University's non-discrimination and affirmative action statements: race, color, sex, national origin, religion, age, sexual orientation, marital status, or handicap; (2) the assignment of a course grade by criteria not directly reflective of performance relative to course requirements; (3) the assignment of a course grade by standards different from those which were applied by the instructor to other students in the course.

GRADUATE STUDENT ACADEMIC GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

A graduate student seeking redress through grievance must first attempt to resolve the matter informally by contacting the party against whom redress is sought (respondent). If the dispute is not resolved at this stage, the student should contact the respondent's departmental chair or another appropriate mediator, such as the university ombudsman, who will attempt to resolve the dispute.

In the event that the dispute is not resolved informally, a graduate student may ask for and receive a hearing before a departmental academic grievance committee. [Such a grievance will be governed by the procedures established by the academic unit in which the complaint arose. In the event an academic unit has not established such procedures, the procedures outlined below shall govern the grievance.]

Departmental Grievance Procedure FILING A GRIEVANCE A graduate student desiring a hearing before a grievance committee of an academic department must submit a written request to the chair of the department no later than 30 calendar days2 after the beginning of the semester following the incident in question, excluding summer term. A student may request an extension of the deadline in writing by petitioning the department chair. In the event that informal proceedings are continuing toward resolution, such a request shall normally be granted.

The request for a hearing must state the following:

- 1. Name of the grievant.
- 2. Program in which the grievant is enrolled.
- 3. Name of the grievant's major adviser.
- 4. Name and title of the person(s) against whom the grievance is being filed.
- 5. Current address and phone number of the grievant.
- 6. Statement of the grievance including descriptions of the incident(s) involved, date(s) of occurrence, what remedy is being sought, as well as any supporting documents.

DEPARTMENT ACTION ON GRIEVANCE

Upon receiving a written request for a hearing regarding an academic grievance, the department chair shall send the respondent a copy of the grievance, who will provide the chair with a written response within a reasonable time as stipulated by the chair. The chair shall then forward the grievance and response to the department graduate student grievance committee.

Cases involving academic dishonesty will be handled according to the Student Conduct Code. Separate grievance procedures exist for cases covered by the University Policy on Sexual Harassment, the Policy Accommodating Religious Observances of Students, the Policy on the Release of Student Information and Access to Student Records at Southern Illinois University, the Policy on Immunization of Enrolled Students, the Policy on the Determination of Residency Status, and the University's response to comply with *Americans with Disabilities Act.* These procedures are published in the *Undergraduate Catalog.* Graduate students employed as student workers are covered by a student worker grievance procedure, which is administered by the Financial Aid office. Hereafter, "day" refers to calendar day, unless defined otherwise.

Department Graduate Student Grievance Committee: A department graduate student grievance committee will be advisory to the department chair and will submit its findings to the department chair. The committee shall consist of three members. The department chair may designate an existing department committee to serve in such a capacity (subject to the qualifications listed herein), or may appoint an ad-hoc graduate student grievance committee. The members of the committee shall be appointed wherever possible from the department/unit in the college in which the grievance arose. Of those three members, two shall be appointed from the senior graduate faculty and one shall be appointed from the graduate student body upon consultation with the leadership of the department graduate student organization. A department graduate student grievance committee shall meet and elect its chair from among its graduate faculty membership. Any faculty member involved in the dispute shall not be appointed to the grievance committee.

The Vice-Chair of the Graduate Council shall be the Coordinator of the SAC who will select three members of the Graduate Council (two faculty members, one student) to form a SAC as needed.

The department chair shall notify the parties of the identity of the individuals who have been selected to serve on the grievance committee. The participation of any committee member may be challenged for cause. If the department chair determines that the challenge is valid, she/he shall name a substitute.

The committee chair shall request of both parties copies of any documents and a list of witnesses they wish to introduce. These should be submitted without delay. The committee chair shall convene a hearing within 20 days of receipt of the substantiating documents. These documents shall be available to both parties at least five days prior to the hearing. The hearing shall be conducted by the committee according to the hearing procedures which are outlined in the Appendix. In the absence of compelling circumstance, the committee shall make its recommendation on the grievance to the department chair within 10 working days after the conclusion of the hearing. The department chair shall decide to accept or reject the committee's recommendations and render a decision on the grievance promptly. The decision and the reasons for it shall be submitted to the parties, the committee members, and the collegiate dean at the same time. The department chair shall advise the parties of their right to appeal to the dean of the Graduate School. Hearings of appeals will not be automatically granted. Dissatisfaction with the decision shall not be sufficient grounds for appeal. The appellant must demonstrate that the decision at the department level was in error.

Appeals of Department Decisions to the Graduate School FILING AN APPEAL

If a graduate student wishes to appeal a decision of the department she/he must file a written appeal with the dean of the Graduate School within 30 calendar days of receipt of the department decision. The appeal must state the following:

- 1. Name of the appellant.
- 2. Program in which the appellant is enrolled.
- 3. Name of the appellant's major adviser.
- 4. Name and title of the person(s) against whom the original grievance was filed.
- 5. Current address and phone number of the appellant.
- 6. Copies of the original statement of grievance, the response by the person against whom it was filed, supporting documents, as well as a statement of what remedy is being sought.
- 7. Summary of grievance proceedings held at the department level and the decision(s) rendered at that time.
- 8. Statement of why the previous decision may be in error.

The dean will promptly forward the material to the coordinator of the Student Appeals Committee of the Graduate School (SAC)4. The SAC coordinator will solicit a reply to the appeal from the respondent. The coordinator will then promptly forward all materials to the committee members and will convene the committee at the earliest opportunity. The committee will decide by simple majority whether or not a hearing should be held. If a hearing is not granted, the coordinator shall forward all materials to the dean of the Graduate School and inform both parties of the reasons for the denial. If a hearing is granted the SAC coordinator shall request from the Graduate Council a list of graduate faculty members and from the Graduate and Professional Student Council a list of graduate students available to serve as hearing panel members. These persons may not be members of the same college as the parties to the grievance. The coordinator shall appoint a panel of three graduate faculty members and two graduate students and so notify the parties to the grievance. Panel members may be challenged for cause and, if the coordinator determines the challenge to be valid, she/he will name substitute(s) from the lists. The panel selects its own chair.

Procedures of the Student Grievance Committee of the Graduate School

Upon formation of the hearing panel, the SAC coordinator shall forward all materials to the hearing panel chair. The chair shall convene a hearing within 30 days. The hearing shall be conducted by the hearing panel according to the procedures listed in the Appendix, with the exception that new evidence and testimony may be introduced only at the discretion of the panel. The hearing at this level will be limited to the bases of the appeal itself. New evidence will not normally be permissible. The committee shall make its recommendation on the appeal to the dean within 10 working days after the conclusion of the hearing. The dean of the Graduate School shall decide to accept or reject the committee's recommendations and render a decision on the grievance promptly. The decision and the reasons for it shall be submitted to the parties, the hearing panel members, and the department chair. All records of the appeal and hearing shall be deposited with the Graduate School upon completion of the hearing panel's work.

Appendix A HEARING PROCEDURES

- 1. The principal parties to the grievance shall have the right to be accompanied by an adviser of their choice. The advisers may speak on behalf of their clients only with the approval of the committee.
- 2. All hearings shall be open unless either of the parties requests that the hearings be closed. If the hearing is closed, only the parties, their adviser, and the committee shall be present during the taking of evidence. Witnesses for either party shall be present only while giving testimony if the hearing is closed.
- 3. All hearings shall be tape recorded. The tape recording will be deposited in the office of the department chair at the conclusion of the hearing.
- 4. Each party may call witnesses to present evidence. Each party shall have the right to examine any witness called by the opposing party. If a witness is unable to appear the committee may allow written statements. If the presence of a witness is required to ensure fairness to all parties, the hearing may be continued until such witness is physically able to attend the hearing.
- 5. The committee will decide all matters, procedural and substantive, by simple majority vote.
- 6. Each party may make an opening and a closing statement.
- 7. Decisions by the panel will be based on a preponderance of the evidence.

Graduate School Procedures for Charges of Academic Dishonesty Leading to Possible Rescission of Degree

INTRODUCTION

Charges against a former student relating to acts of academic dishonesty in the submission of graduate degree requirements shall be handled to the extent feasible under the SIUC Student Conduct Code procedures applicable to charges relating to academic dishonesty. The dean of the Graduate School has the responsibility for the formal resolution of charges involving academic dishonesty in Graduate School programs. Since the Student Conduct Code procedures are not in all respects applicable to charges involving an individual no longer enrolled in the University, the following supplemental procedures will be followed for adjudicating such charges.

NOTIFICATION OF CHARGES

Charges against a former student involving allegations of academic dishonesty in the completion of graduate degree requirements shall be initiated by the dean of the Graduate School by letter to the individual, sent certified mail/return receipt requested, stating the specific charges, and the date, time, and place for the hearing, and enclosing a copy of the Student Conduct Code and these procedures. The charge letter shall be mailed no less than 20 business days in advance of the date of the hearing.

HEARING AGENT

Charges shall be heard by a five-member hearing committee, the members of which shall be appointed from those colleges/schools having graduate programs. Of the five members, three shall be appointed from the graduate faculty and two shall be appointed from the graduate student body. The dean will seek nominations for a committee hearing a case from the Graduate and Professional Student Council for the

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graduate student members, and from the Graduate Council for the graduate faculty members. The committee will be demographically representative of the University insofar as possible. The academic unit from which the charge arose will not have a member appointed to the hearing committee. Once a hearing committee is constituted it shall meet and elect its own chair from among its graduate faculty membership. The individual charged shall have the right to challenge membership of the hearing committee as provided in the Student Conduct Code.

HEARING PROCEDURES

Hearings shall be conducted in accordance with the formal disciplinary procedures set forth in the Student Conduct Code. In addition, the following procedures shall govern the conduct of the hearing.

- 1. The individual charged shall have the right to be accompanied by an adviser of his/her choice. An adviser will be permitted to advise the individual in the hearing, and to speak on behalf of the individual and cross-examine witnesses with the consent of the hearing committee.
- 2. The dean of the Graduate School and the individual charged shall provide to the hearing committee a list of witnesses to be called and copies of any documents which they seek to introduce into evidence at the hearing. The committee chair will furnish copies of these to the other party. Such witness list and documents shall be provided to the hearing committee not less than 10 business days prior to the date scheduled for the hearing, and to the parties not less than 5 business days before the date of the scheduled hearing.
- 3. All hearings shall be closed unless the individual charged requests that it be open. If the hearing is closed, only the parties, their adviser, and the committee members shall be present during the taking of evidence. Witnesses for either party shall be present only while giving testimony.
- 4. All hearings shall be tape-recorded. The tape-recording will be submitted along with the entire case record and the committee's findings and recommendations to the dean of the Graduate School following conclusion of the hearing.
- 5. Each party may make an opening statement before the presentation of any evidence and a closing argument following the conclusion of all evidence.
- 6. The charges against the individual and witnesses testifying in support thereof shall be presented first. The individual charged shall have the right to respond to the charges and present witnesses and evidence in his/her own behalf.
- 7. Each party shall have the right to ask questions of any witness called by the other party. Members of the committee may also question witnesses.
- 8. Written statements in lieu of personal testimony may be used only with permission of the committee and only in the event a witness is physically unable to attend the hearing. The opposing party shall be given notice at least three days prior to the commencement of the hearing of the fact that an individual will not be physically present to give testimony and so that objection may be made to the use of written statements. If the committee determines that the actual presence of the witness is required to insure fairness to all parties, the hearing may be continued until such witness is physically able to attend the hearing.
- 9. The hearing committee will decide all matters, procedural and substantive, by simple majority vote.
- 10. In the absence of compelling circumstances, the committee shall make findings and recommendations on the charges to the dean of the Graduate School within

15 business days after the conclusion of the hearing. The dean of the Graduate School shall render a decision, absent compelling circumstances, within ten business days after receipt of the committee's findings and recommendations. The decision and the reasons therefore shall be submitted to the individual charged by certified mail, return receipt requested, and to the committee chair. If the dean determines that additional evidence is necessary to decide the matter(s), the dean may remand the matter to the committee for the taking of further evidence, and in doing so, may limit the issues on which additional evidence may be taken. When a matter is remanded to the committee, the committee shall follow the procedures set forth above.

SANCTIONS

Sanctions which may be imposed include the completion of any additional academic requirements deemed necessary for continued holding of the degree, or, if it is found that the degree was improperly awarded because of academic dishonesty on the part of the former student in the submission of degree requirements, a recommendation that the degree be rescinded. A recommendation that a degree be rescinded will be made to the chancellor through the vice chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost, and will require final action by the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University.

APPEAL

If the individual is not satisfied with the decision of the dean, a written argument stating the reasons for such dissatisfaction may be submitted to the vice president for Academic Affairs and provost within ten business days after the date that delivery of the decision was tendered by the U.S. Postal Service to the individual. Such written argument shall be attached to the dean's decision and remain there with throughout the remainder of the process.