

Virginia State University DPD Required Course Listing

These are the course requirements for Virginia State University's (VSU) Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND), Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics ACEND), accredited Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD); for students who already have a Baccalaureate Degree. Completion of DPD requirements are needed to compete nationally for an ACEND accredited dietetic internships. Upon completion, students are awarded a Verification Statement and Certificate in Nutrition and Dietetics.

The following courses must be completed at VSU.

CRS. No.	Course Name	Credits	Grade	University	Date
	Food Science				
DIET 221	Principles of Analysis of Foods	3			
	Food Systems Management				
DIET 322	Meal Management/Lab	3			
DIET 433	Quantity Foods/Lab	3			
DIET 435	Org & Mgmt. of Food Service	3			
	Nutrition Science				
DIET 310	Human Nutrition	3			
DIET 385	Nutritional Biochemistry	3			
DIET 424	Advanced Nutrition	3			
	Applied Nutrition				
DIET 311	Nutrition in the Life Cycle	3			
DIET 410	Nutrition Counseling	2			
DIET 422	Community Nutrition	3			
DIET 431	Medical Nutrition Therapy I	3			
DIET 437	Medical Nutrition Therapy II	3			
DIET 489	Practicum in Dietetics	3			
	Professional Development				
DIET 275	Seminar in Dietetic Practice	1			
FACS 440	Contemporary Approaches to Curriculum	3			

The following support courses may be taken at any accredited university with prior approval by the Program Director.

	Course Name	Credits	Grade	University	Date
BIOL 316 or BIOL 318 & 319	Human Physiology or Anatomy & Physiology I, II	3			
BIOL 240	Microbiology/Lab	4			
CHEM 151/153	General Chemistry I/Lab	4			
CHEM 152/154	General Chemistry II/Lab	4			
CHEM 305/307	Organic Chemistry/Lab	4			
SPEE 214	Introduction to Public Speaking	3			
HMGY 402	Hospitality Human Resource Mgmt.	3			
PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	3			
ECON 210	Principles of Microeconomics	3			
STAT 210	Elementary Statistics I	3			

All admission application documents must be sent to the Virginia State University Admissions Office and are reviewed for admission to the University. Once admitted you will seek your Advisor to the Dietetics program. If you have questions, please contact the DPD director at the address below:

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