

COORDINATED PROGRAM IN DIETETICS (CPD)
Department of Nutritional Sciences
The University of Texas at Austin

Mission of the Coordinated Program

The Coordinated Program in Dietetics is planned to qualify graduates for entry-level positions, graduate study and advancement to positions of leadership in administrative, clinical or community dietetics. Dietetics practitioners and University faculty associated with the program subscribe to the philosophy that education with a general emphasis forms the foundation on which specialization may be built. Balanced preparation in the primary areas of dietetics recognizes 1) the need for practitioners with foodservice management, clinical and community skills in the vast non-urban expanse of Texas, and 2) students' limited ability to choose a specialty after only two years of baccalaureate education. Diverse facilities in the Austin area including acute care hospitals, school foodservice, and local and state health departments provide ideal support for the education of the generalist.

Goals of the Coordinated Program

1. Prepare students for successful entry into the dietetics profession.
2. Provide a general emphasis that will prepare students for employment in a) clinical nutrition, b) community nutrition, c) food and nutrition management, and d) consultation and business.
3. Provide credentialed dietitians for the state of Texas.
4. Provide students with adequate preparation for and stimulate interest in graduate study in nutrition and related areas.
5. Prepare professionals capable of advancement in their chosen area of dietetics practice.
6. Encourage graduates to become leaders in the dietetics profession.

Estimated Cost of the Coordinated Program in Dietetics

<i>In addition to routine tuition and fees:</i>	<i>Senior Year</i>
Professional Liability Insurance	35.00
Health Insurance, available through student health service	1119.00
Hepatitis B immunization	105.00
TB testing	20.00
Criminal background check	60.00
Student membership in the American Dietetic Association	50.00
Student membership in the Austin Dietetic Association	12.50
Required attendance at professional meetings	varies
Transportation to supervised practice sites	varies
Uniforms/lab coat for foodservice and clinical rotations	varies