

ACEND ACCREDITED COORDINATED PROGRAM MISSION, GOALS, AND OBJECTIVES

Mission: To produce entry-level Registered Dietitian Nutritionists capable of providing excellent service to a variety of constituencies in a highly technical, constantly changing world with an emphasis on nutrition, healthspan, and longevity.

Goal #1: To prepare graduates to be competent, entry-level RDNs.

Objectives for Goal #1:

- At least 80% of full-time students complete program requirements within 3 years (150% of planned program length).
- At least 80% of part-time students complete program requirements within four and a half years (150% of planned program length).
- The program's one-year pass rate (graduates who pass the registration exam within one year of first attempt) on the CDR credentialing exam for dietitian nutritionists is at least 80%.
- At least 80% of program graduates take the CDR credentialing exam for dietitian nutritionists within 12 months of program completion.
- Of graduates who seek employment, at least 75% are employed in nutrition and dietetics or related fields within 12 months of graduation.
- At least 80% of employers will rate graduates with "Above-Satisfactory" competency level when delivering food and/or nutrition services.

Goal #2: To prepare graduates who demonstrate lifelong learning, a commitment to the profession and use of research evidence to inform food and nutrition services for individuals across the lifespan.

Objectives for Goal #2:

- At least 60% of graduates will rate their use of research evidence in providing nutrition services across the lifespan as "Frequent Use" in an alumni survey.
- At least 40% of graduates will indicate they are preceptors in an alumni survey.