

# Dietetic Technician Program

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Upon successful completion of the dietetic technician program, the student is eligible to sit for the Commission of Dietetics Registration (CDR) national exam for dietetic technician, registered. A student may complete the dietetic technician program by successfully completing one of the following three options.

### Track 1 Students

Track 1 is for students seeking a four-year degree or for students who are seeking an associate of applied science (AAS) degree, but who may eventually seek a four-year degree. Track 1 students take 16 credits of science prerequisites: Biology 190, 223, 224 and 251.

### Track 2 Students

Track 2 is for students who are seeking an associate of applied science (AAS) degree. Track 2 students take eight credits of science prerequisites: Biology 141 and 142. These credits may not transfer to a four-year institution within the NSHE system.

### Students With A Four-year Degree

A student with a four-year didactic degree in nutrition from an institution accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education (CADE) of the American Dietetic Association may qualify as a Track 3 student. The following conditions must be met. The student must provide the following to the dietetic technician program director.

### Official Copies of All Transcripts

The original Statement of Verification issued from an ADA accredited four-year institution. The Statement of Verification must be for a didactic program for dietetics.

To complete the program and be eligible to take the exam for registration, a Track 3 student must complete 3 three-credit courses comprised of 450 hours of supervised work experience at a satisfactory level.

To be considered for acceptance as a Track 3 student, please contact the dietetic technician program director at 775-673-8218 or [jgrover@tmcc.edu](mailto:jgrover@tmcc.edu).

### Accreditation

The dietetic technician program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education (CADE) of the American Dietetic Association, a specialized accrediting body recognized by the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation and the United States Department of Education. Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education can be contacted at:

Commission on the Accreditation for Dietetics Education  
American Dietetic Association  
120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000  
West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60606-6995  
312-899-0040 ext. 5400  
[www.eatright.org](http://www.eatright.org)

# Dietetic Technician Degree

## Associate of Applied Science

This program leads to an associate of applied science degree in dietetic technician. For a complete description of the program, please refer to the previous page in this catalog.

### Degree Outcomes

#### Students completing the degree will:

- Demonstrate application of theoretical and practical foundations to be adequately prepared as entry-level dietetic technician practitioners.
- Demonstrate academic and practical knowledge of standards appropriate to dietetic practice.
- Be eligible to take the national licensing exam for Dietetic Technician, Registered (DTR).

### General Education Requirements

#### Diversity (3 credits)

Recommended: NUTR 253

Refer to the 'Diversity' section of the general education description of this college catalog for a list of approved courses. Designated diversity courses can be used to fulfill other general education or major requirements.

#### English/Communications 6 credits

Recommended: ENG 102, 114, BUS 107

#### Human Relations 3 credits

#### Quantitative Reasoning 3 credits

Required: CUL 245

#### Science 8-16 credits

Required: BIOL 190/190L, 223, 224 and 251 Track I or BIOL 141 and 142 Track II

#### Social Science/Humanities 3 credits

Recommended: CH 201

#### U.S. and Nevada Constitutions 3 credits

Recommended: CH 203

#### Total General Education Requirements 26-34 Credits

### Core Requirements

CUL 100	Sanitation/HACCP .....	2
NUTR 100	Introduction to Dietetic Technician Program....	0.5
NUTR 220	Food Service Systems Management .....	3
NUTR 221	Quantity Food Purchasing .....	3
NUTR 223	Principles of Nutrition .....	3
NUTR 233	Community and Lifecycle Nutrition .....	3
NUTR 243	Medical Nutrition Therapy for Dietetic Techs I....	3
NUTR 244	Medical Nutrition Therapy for Dietetic Techs II....	3
NUTR 253	Cultural Considerations in Nutrition and Health Care .....	3
	Satisfies diversity requirement.	
NUTR 291	Nutrition Internship – Food Service .....	3
NUTR 292	Nutrition Internship – Community.....	3
NUTR 293	Nutrition Internship – Clinical.....	3

#### Total Core Requirements 32.5 Credits

### Suggested Electives

HDFS 201	Lifespan Human Development.....	3
NUTR 298	Special Topics in Nutrition .....	1-3
PSY 101	General Psychology .....	3

#### Total Electives 7-9 Credits

#### Total Degree Requirements 65.5-75.5 Credits

Dietetic technician courses are listed under the heading "nutrition." For more information on the dietetic technician program, call 775-673-8218 or 775-674-7657.

See the following page for the Suggested Course Sequence.

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## Suggested Course Sequence

Track One	Course #	Title	Cr.
<b>FIRST YEAR – 1st Semester</b>			
Science	BIOL 190/190L	Introduction to Cell and Molecular Biology/Laboratory	4
Core	CUL 100	Sanitation/HACCP	2
Quant. Reasoning	CUL 245	The Business Chef	3
English	ENG 102	Composition II	3
Elective	HDFS 201	Lifespan Human Development	3
Core	NUTR 100	Introduction to Dietetic Technician Prgm.	.5
Core	NUTR 220	Food Service Systems Management	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>18.5</b>
<b>2nd Semester</b>			
Science	BIOL 223	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
Communications	BUS 107	Business Speech Communications	3
Soc. Sci./Hum.	CH 201	Ancient and Medieval Cultures	3
Core	NUTR 221	Quality Food Purchasing	3
Core	NUTR 223	Principles of Nutrition	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>16</b>
<b>Summer</b>			
Core	NUTR 291	Nutrition Internship – Food Service	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>3</b>
Track One	Course #	Title	Cr.
<b>SECOND YEAR – 1st Semester</b>			
Science	BIOL 224	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
Human Relations	Elective		3
Core	NUTR 233	Community and Lifecycle Nutrition	3
Core/Diversity	NUTR 253	Cul. Considerations in Nutr. and Health Care	3
Elective	NUTR 298	Special Topics in Nutrition	1
Elective	PSY 101	General Psychology	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>17</b>
<b>2nd Semester</b>			
Science	BIOL 251	General Microbiology	4
U.S. and NV Const.	CH 203	American Exp. and Constitutional Change	3
Core	NUTR 243	Medical Nutr. Therapy for Dietetic Techs I	3
Core	NUTR 244	Medical Nutr. Therapy for Dietetic Techs II	3
Core	NUTR 292	Nutrition Internship – Community	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>16</b>
<b>Summer</b>			
Core	NUTR 293	Nutrition Internship – Clinical	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>3</b>
<b>Degree Total</b>			<b>73.5</b>

Track Two	Course #	Title	Cr.
<b>FIRST YEAR – 1st Semester</b>			
Science	BIOL 141	Human Structure and Function I	4
Core	CUL 100	Sanitation/HACCP	2
Quant. Reasoning	CUL 245	The Business Chef	3
English	ENG 102	Composition II	3
Core	NUTR 100	Introduction to Dietetic Technician Prgm.	.5
Core	NUTR 220	Food Service Systems Management	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>15.5</b>
<b>2nd Semester</b>			
Science	BIOL 142	Human Structure and Function II	4
Communications	BUS 107	Business Speech Communications	3
Soc. Sci./Hum.	CH 201	Ancient and Medieval Cultures	3
Core	NUTR 221	Quality Food Purchasing	3
Core	NUTR 223	Principles of Nutrition	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>16</b>
Track Two	Course #	Title	Cr.
<b>SECOND YEAR – 1st Semester</b>			
Elective	HDFS 201	Lifespan Human Development	3
Core	NUTR 233	Community and Lifecycle Nutrition	3
Core/Diversity	NUTR 253	Cul. Considerations in Nutr. and Health Care	3
Core	NUTR 291	Nutrition Internship – Food Service	3
Elective	NUTR 298	Special Topics in Nutrition	1
Elective	PSY 101	General Psychology	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>16</b>
<b>2nd Semester</b>			
U.S. and NV Const.	CH 203	American Exp. and Constitutional Change	3
Human Relations	Elective		3
Core	NUTR 243	Medical Nutrition Therapy for Dietetic Techs I	3
Core	NUTR 244	Medical Nutrition Therapy for Dietetic Techs II	3
Core	NUTR 292	Nutrition Internship – Community	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>15</b>
<b>Summer</b>			
Core	NUTR 293	Nutrition Internship – Clinical	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>3</b>
<b>Degree Total</b>			<b>65.5</b>