Beginning January 1, 2024, the minimum degree requirement for eligibility to take the registration examination to become a registered dietitian will be a graduate degree. This is in addition to post-baccalaureate supervised practice.

Our program at Idaho State University can be completed in 4 semesters and has:

- Combined your MS with your supervised practice
- 18 positions
- 3 locations- Pocatello, Meridian, and Twin Falls
- 1,200 hours of supervised practice
- 36 credits

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Snapshot of ISU MS/Dietetic Internship

Master of Science
- Combined Master of Science in Nutrition and Dietetic Internship
- The MS/DI program is ACEND-approved

Internship Components
- Community nutrition concentration; interns also rotate through clinical and food service sites
- Internship sites include medical centers, long-term care, health departments, local school districts, diabetes centers, dialysis centers, and out-patient clinics

Number of Positions
- Eighteen (18) internship positions
- 8 interns are placed in Pocatello and surrounding areas
- 2 interns complete rotations in Twin Falls and surrounding areas
- 8 interns are based in Meridian/Treasure Valley and surrounding areas

Internship Length
- 16-month, 4-semester program – fall, spring, summer, fall
- Fall (Aug to Dec), Spring (Jan to May), Summer (May to Aug)
- In extreme circumstances an intern’s timeframe may be extended up to 24 months (150% of the original 16-month plan)

Weekly Time Requirements
- About 40 hours-per-week are spent in rotations; hours for coursework vary
- Travel time for practicums is not included (some rotations are 20-50 miles away)
- Interns are solely in coursework the first semester; interns will have a combination of coursework and practicum the final three semesters
- Hybrid coursework model (classes may require students to go to a distance learning classroom, access video conferencing software remotely, or work online as an autonomous, self-directed learner)

Graduation and Program Completion Requirements
- Passing each semester requires completing all coursework with a grade of B (3.0 or higher) and finishing all rotations with at least a satisfactory grade (S)
- Interns earning at least an “S/B” in rotations/courses and completing a minimum of 1,200 hours of supervised practice receive a Master of Science in Nutrition and a Dietetic Internship Verification Statement
- Graduates are eligible to sit for the national registration exam

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