



MASTER OF NUTRITION: ONLINE

Description

The online Master of Nutrition program (Distance education option) is a non-thesis degree that offers advanced training in human nutritional sciences for new and experienced professionals in nutrition. It prepares registered dietitians at an advanced level and provides graduates with advanced knowledge, expanded skills, lifelong learning, and professional leadership to pursue a wide range of career options including nutrition and health programs, consulting, and business.

Accreditation

This program is accredited by the Alabama Commission of Higher Education, which is recognized by the U.S Department of Education.

What job opportunities exist?

Graduates of MS Nutrition have the option to work in a number of health fields including school, community, worksite, federal government, voluntary health agencies including the WIC program, military, and rehabilitation settings. While most tenure-track positions in teaching nutrition at the college-level require a Ph.D, local and community colleges sometimes require only a master's degree. Restaurant chains and food manufacturers employ nutritionists to analyze products, prepare nutritional information, and materials educating the public about nutritional benefits of their products. Some of these positions may require Registered Dietitian credentials.

Curriculum

The curriculum requires 33 credit hours of coursework, which includes 5 credit hours of non-thesis research. Students have the option to select electives with an emphasis in Nutrition Science, Clinical Nutrition, Sports Nutrition, or Community Nutrition.

Course Delivery

The majority of courses are delivered via technologies such as the Internet or webcasting. Students with access to the appropriate technology may access these courses from their homes or other locations. Our online courses make use of asynchronous scheduling, which means that can access and view lecture videos and PowerPoint presentations at their own convenience. Students participate in Discussion groups, chat, and online presentations, and interact extensively with instructors and their peers.

Assignments are most commonly submitted via email, or online, and tests are often administered via a proctor at a site convenient to the student or as a take-home exam. Auburn University provides a robust learning environment for online courses through its learning management system Canvas Instructure.

Program Costs

Total distance learning fee per credit hour is \$533 (Tuition: \$450 per credit hour + Fees: \$83/credit hour) regardless of the student's geographic location. Therefore, the cost of a 3-credit course is \$1,599 or \$17,589 for the entire program. Program requires an Application fee of \$60 for domestic students, Graduation fees of \$25 (register for UNIV7AA0 graduating semester), and a clearing Graduation fee \$450, as needed (if you are not registered for any course the semester you wish to graduate). These costs are subject to change each year with the approval of the Auburn University Board of Trustees.



Financial Assistance

Students who need financial assistance may apply for student loans through the Auburn University Financial Aid office. Students must be enrolled in at least five semester hours to qualify for financial aid. Scholarships are available for on-campus students only.

Technology Requirements

Most current PC/Mac or laptop models will meet basic minimum hardware requirements with little or no configuration upgrades. Newer versions of Adobe Acrobat Reader, Adobe Acrobat Professional, Microsoft Office Professional (for PC or for Mac), and antivirus software will be required.

Plan of Study

A tentative plan of study (**full-time enrollment: minimum of 9 credits**), which includes summer semester, is shown below:

	Fall	Spring	Summer
Year'01	NTRI 7506: Minerals (3) NTRI 7536: Human Nutrient Metabolism (4) NTRI 7056: Methods of Research (2)	NTRI 7516: Vitamins (3) NTRI 7536: Macronutrients (4) NTRI 6106: Nutrition in Disease Prevention (2) or Elective	ERMA 7306: Design and Analysis in Education I (3) NTRI 8976: Advanced Topics (3) or Elective NTRI 7856: Research Seminar (1) NTRI 7986: Non-thesis Research (2)
Year'02	NTRI 7986: Non-thesis Research (3) NTRI 6826: Nutrition in the Life Cycle (3) or Elective		

A tentative plan of study (**part-time enrollment**), which includes summer semester, is shown below:

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	Research (2)	Elective	Analysis in Education I (3)
Year'02	NTRI 7506: Minerals (3) NTRI 6826: Nutrition in the Life Cycle (3) or Elective NTRI 7856: Research Seminar (1)	NTRI 7536: Macronutrients (4) NTRI 7986: Non-thesis Research (3)	NTRI 7986: Non-thesis Research (2)

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