

# Prerequisite Completion Form

## Clinical Dietetics M.S.

**2022**  
Application Year

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ College: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ B.S. degree:  In-Process  Completed/Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Students **who do not have** an undergraduate degree from an ACEND<sup>®</sup> accredited DPD need to complete the prerequisite courses.

Program Prerequisites Course marked * require B- (2.7) grade or better. Recommend "C" or better in remaining prerequisites. Courses in (parentheses) are GV prerequisites.	School	Equivalent Course Subject/Course #	Grade	Anticipated completion
BIO 120	<b>General Biology</b>			
STA 215 (MTH 110)	<b>Statistics</b>			
BMS 250 (BIO 120)	<b>Anatomy &amp; Physiology I</b>			
BMS 251 (BMS 250)	<b>Anatomy &amp; Physiology II</b>			
CHM 109 or CHM 115 & 116	<b>Chemistry</b>			
CHM 231 or CHM 241 & 242 (CHM 109 or CHM 116)	<b>Organic Chemistry</b>			
*CHM 232 or CHM 461 (CHM 231) or *CHM 230 (CHM 109) grade of B- or better	<b>Biological Chemistry</b> or <b>Organic &amp; Biochemistry</b>			
BMS 212 & 213 (BIO 120 & CHM 230 or 232 or 241)	<b>Microbiology with Lab</b>			
BMS 105	<b>Basic Nutrition</b>			
*BMS 305 (BMS 290 or 251 & CHM 230 or 232 or 461) or *BMS 306 BMS 290 or MOV 304 & CHM 232 or 461) or *AFN 400 at GVSU grade of B- or better	<b>Clinical Nutrition</b> or <b>Advanced Nutrition</b> or <b>Medical Nutrition Therapy I</b>			
BMS 304 (offered winter only) (BMS 105 and Junior Standing)	<b>Community Nutrition</b>			
BMS 407 (offered fall only) (BMS 105 or 305 or 306 & BMS 290/391 or 251)	<b>Nutrition in the Life Cycle</b>			
HTM 250 (override request for HTM 213) or Serve Safe Manager certification	<b>Food Production &amp; Kitchen Management</b>			

Students **who have** an undergraduate degree from a didactic program in dietetics (DPD) accredited by The Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND<sup>®</sup>) do not need to complete the prerequisite courses.

### College of Health Professions ~ Clinical Dietetics Graduate Program

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The Clinical Dietetics M.S. program is a 53-55 credit coordinated five-semester graduate program designed for those who need supervised practice. Classes are taught using the hybrid on-line model with some in-seat classes and laboratory experiences. Upon successful completion, this program provides eligibility to sit for the registration exam leading to the registered dietitian nutritionist (RDN) credential.

**Application deadline: January 15<sup>th</sup>** (late applications accepted until all seats are filled)

### University Requirements

1. A baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution of higher education
2. Submission of all required admission materials, including:
  - Completed GVSU [graduate application](#) for admission
  - \$30 nonrefundable application fee (unless you have previously applied to Grand Valley)
  - Official copies of transcripts from **all** institutions of higher education previously attended. Transcripts must be sent from those institutions directly to the GVSU Admissions Office. **NOTE: Official transcripts from Grand Valley are not required**
  - Prerequisite Completion Form **or** Undergraduate Degree from a didactic program in dietetics (DPD) accredited by The Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND ®)

**Program Requirements** - In addition to the "University Requirements" all students seeking admission must also meet the following program requirements:

1. **Minimum 3.0 grade point cumulative average** from all undergraduate coursework
2. **Personal statement** of career goals and food/nutrition experiences, including an explanation of how this program will help achieve educational and professional objectives.
3. **Two recommendations:** Two academic or professional recommendations. Applicants will provide email addresses of two references when applying ([www.gvsu.edu/gradapply](http://www.gvsu.edu/gradapply)). Recommenders will receive an electronic form to complete and return via email.
4. **Resume**
5. Successful completion of all prerequisite courses or verification statement from an ACEND accredited undergraduate program
6. **Grade of a B- (2.7) or better:** Clinical or Advanced Nutrition and Biochemistry
7. **Personal interview**

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