

PATH TO BECOMING A REGISTERED DIETITIAN NUTRITIONIST (RDN) AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH*

INTERNATIONAL DEGREE HOLDERS

Have your degree(s) evaluated by an ACEND-APPROVED course evaluation company.

Tip: Collect all original syllabi for the exact semester for each course taken for your future applications

Did your evaluation indicate you hold the **equivalent of a Bachelor's Degree** as conferred by a U.S. institutional accredited college or university?

Yes

No

Apply to our B.S. in Nutrition & Food Science

Have you taken these pre-requisite courses with a "C" or better?

- College algebra or higher (MATH 113)
- Introductory nutrition (NUTR 132) †
- Intro to food preparation (HM 176)
- Food science (FSCI 232)
- Statistics (PSY 110/STAT 118)
- Psychology (PSY 100)
- General chemistry + lab (CHEM 111A)
- Organic chemistry + lab (CHEM 227)
- Microbiology (BIOL 201)
- Anatomy (BIOL 208)
- Physiology + lab (BIOL 207)
- Life course nutrition (NUTR 331)* †
- Advanced nutrition (macro and micronutrient metabolism) or equivalent, typically covered across 1-2 course series (NUTR 436A/B)* †

* These courses are less likely to be found at a community college

† Preferred to have taken at least one nutrition course within the last 5 years.

No

Yes

Take at a community college or through Open University at CSULB

Apply to our Graduate Program in Applied Nutrition and Dietetics (GP)

Applications open in summer

Be admitted

Start the GP in Spring (January)

Finish in August of Year 2
Receive a Master of Science (M.S.) and be ready to sit for the Registered Dietitian Nutritionist exam!

Be admitted and plan for a spring graduation

In the summer before your last year, apply to the GP via the Blended Track

Note: Admission is not guaranteed. Applicants must meet all requirements and be selected via the application process.

Your final semester (spring) will count toward your B.S. and semester 1 of the GP

