



SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON

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## NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES

Nutritional factors across the lifespan affect the etiology, incidence, and prevalence of major diseases, quality of life, and productivity in the population. Nutrition professionals promote policies and systems that foster healthy eating and active living through research, evaluation, communication, training, and networking. They are involved in interdisciplinary research that addresses biomedical, social, economic, and environmental aspects of obesity and health.

### HIGHLIGHTS

The Nutritional Sciences Program is composed of core, affiliate, and clinical faculty who are recognized experts in the field of nutrition, with networks spanning a wide range of disciplines. Strong links to research centers, public health agencies, and hospitals provide unique opportunities for students to participate in innovative nutrition research, diverse clinical experiences, and hands-on public health training. Graduates are prepared to expand the base of knowledge in nutritional sciences and to apply this knowledge to improve individual and population health. In addition to the degrees offered, the accredited Registered Dietitian (RD) training program allows students to integrate the coursework and supervised practice required to become a RD.

### DEGREES AND/OR CERTIFICATES OFFERED

**MS:** Nutritional Sciences

**MPH:** Public Health Nutrition

**PhD:** Nutritional Sciences

**RD Training:** The Graduate Coordinated Program in Dietetics (GCPD) allows MS, MPH, and PhD students in Nutritional Sciences to integrate the coursework and supervised practice (dietetic internship) required to become a Registered Dietitian (RD) while completing their graduate studies.

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### APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS

The program attracts students from many fields including but not limited to the hard sciences. We value applicants with diverse backgrounds who envision pairing their previous experiences to the field of nutrition. Admission is based on academic record, GRE scores, relevant professional work and/or volunteer experience, and motivation and interest in nutritional sciences. Prerequisite coursework includes Nutrition, Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Biochemistry and Human Physiology. The RD training program requires additional prerequisite courses. PhD applicants should hold a master's degree or may be initially admitted as a master's student.

### ACADEMIC/PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Graduate training in nutritional sciences can lead to excellent career opportunities. Recent graduates from our program have pursued careers in public health nutrition, clinical management, research, teaching, clinical dietetics and in administration of local or state nutrition programs.

### ADMISSIONS

All application materials are submitted through the UW Graduate School's online application: <https://www.grad.washington.edu/app/ForAdmiss/>.

Applicants submit a Goal Statement, GRE (General Test) scores, three recommendation letters, and transcripts. International applicants should submit TOEFL scores. Applicants interested in the RD Training Program will also submit the GCPD application.

### APPLICATION DEADLINE

***Admission is available for autumn quarter only.***  
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