

Disclosure Statement

For all students, The Commission on Dietetic Registration requires a minimum of a master's degree to be eligible to take the credentialing exam to become a registered dietitian nutritionist (RDN). This requirement went into effect January 1, 2024. The following are two graduate dietetic programs at Mount Mary

IMSND

The Integrated Master of Science in Nutrition and Dietetics at Mount Mary University is ACEND accredited and completion will enable the student to take the Registered Dietitian Examination by being provided a verification statement of successful completion. Exam requirements are set by the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR.) See: <https://www.cdrnet.org/rd-eligibility>.

Successfully passing the registration exam earns the credentials RD or RDN. Following satisfactory completion of the Program and a passing score on the Registration exam, graduates who desire to work in the State of Wisconsin should apply for certification. This is a completely separate procedure from becoming registered by the Commission on Dietetic Registration of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. Please visit the website: <https://www.cdrnet.org>. When graduates achieve the RD or RDN designation, they may then apply to the credentialing board for certification or licensure in the state in which they intend to practice. (Note all of this is already on our website as it is a requirement for accreditation). *Note that a felony conviction may affect a graduate's ability to sit for the RD examination or attain state licensure.*

Dietetic Internship

Mount Mary University's (MMU) Dietetic Internship/MS Advanced Dietetics program meets the supervised practice requirement for eligibility to become a registered dietitian nutritionist. Program applicants must first complete Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) requirements and earn at least a bachelor's degree before beginning the program.

The program is accredited by the [Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics](#) of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, 120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2190, Chicago, Illinois 60606-6995, (800) 877-1600, ext. 5500.

Interns who successfully complete the Dietetic Internship program are eligible to take the National Registration Examination for Dietitians administered by the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR).

In addition to passing the national registration examination, most states require licensure or certification in order to practice; however, these requirements are usually met by successfully passing the national registration examination. Note that a felony conviction may affect a graduate's ability to take the National Examination for Dietitians or to obtain state licensure or certification.

[The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics](#) provides detailed information about the requirements and process to become a registered dietitian nutritionist.

While state interpretations of statutes may vary, it is ACEND's considered opinion that these programs meet the educational requirements for dietetics licensure and certification in all states. However, completing an ACEND-accredited academic program alone does not qualify an individual for licensure or

certification as a dietitian in any state. Individuals should review their state's licensing statutes and regulations to understand the specific requirements, including supervised practice and examinations, needed to obtain a dietetics license. More information about state licensure and certification can be found at this link: [State Licensure](#).