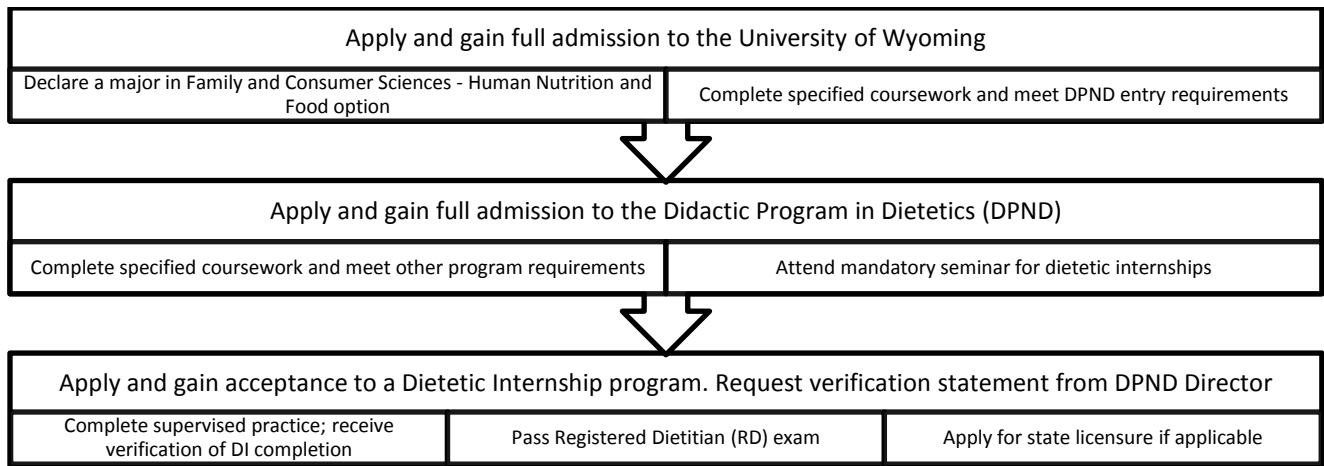




College of Agriculture and Natural Resources
Department of Family and Consumer Sciences

Applying to the Didactic Program in Nutrition and Dietetics

Entrance into the Didactic Program in Nutrition and Dietetics (DPND) at the University of Wyoming is made only through an application process. Each prospective DPND student will initially enter the Human Nutrition and Food option. Students will be eligible to apply for the DPND only after completing the required list of courses (outlined on page 2) and meeting the established grade point averages. Students who complete the dietetics option meet academic requirements as approved by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. Completion of this curriculum allows students to pursue a post-graduate competitive internship to become eligible to take the examination for Registered Dietitians. The DPND at the University of Wyoming is currently fully accredited. The following chart outlines the recommended progress plan from admission to becoming a Registered Dietitian:



DPND APPLICATION PROTOCOL

- Applications for admission to the DPND are accepted year-round, although it is advised that you apply during the final semester of your sophomore year if possible. The official application is online at www.uwyo.edu/fcs.
- The completed application and all required accompanying documentation should be submitted to the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Room 251. The application is reviewed by the DPND Director and forwarded to the Department Head of Family and Consumer Sciences with a recommendation for acceptance or rejection. When denied, a reason will be stated.
- The official DPND acceptance letter is prepared by the Department Head and sent to the student with a copy to the student’s advisor and the DPND Director.
- Upon acceptance, the student and their advisor must prepare the official Change of Major form to reflect the Dietetics option with an effective term of the following semester.

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Application to the Didactic Program in Nutrition and Dietetics can be made only after completion of the following courses with a grade of C or better and attaining a grade point average (GPA) of at least a 3.0. Use the [DPND Prerequisites GPA Calculation Worksheet](#).

SCIENCE COURSES

CHEM 1020 General Chemistry I (PN)	4
CHEM 1030 General Chemistry II (PN).....	4
LIFE 1010 General Biology I (PN).....	4
MOLB 2021 General Microbiology.....	4

SOCIAL SCIENCE COURSES

PSYC 1000 General Psychology (H)	3
SOC 1000 Sociological Principles (H).....	3

FCSC DEPARTMENT (Note: ALL FCSC courses must be completed with a grade of C or better)

FCSC 1141 Principles of Nutrition	3
FCSC 1150 Scientific Study of Food.....	3
FCSC 2141 Nutrition Controversies.....	2
FCSC 2200 Professionalism and Communication in FCSC (COM 2)	3

USP COURSES (NOT ALREADY LISTED IN THE ABOVE CATEGORIES)

ENGL 1010 College Composition and Rhetoric (COM 1)	3
MATH 1400 College Algebra (Q).....	3

Total credits needed before applying to the DPND39

It is important to understand course sequencing (when courses are offered) and prerequisites (other courses that must be taken first). Each student has a faculty advisor. You will be advised each semester. It is important that you work closely with your advisor to plan your course schedule. For a complete list of all course descriptions, visit http://www.uwyo.edu/registrar/university_catalog.

Once admitted to the program, students must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 and receive a grade of C or better in every course required of the program.

University Requirement – All degrees at the University of Wyoming require at least 42 upper-division credit hours (3000-level and above).

Residency Requirement – All degrees must include a minimum of 30 credit hours from UW.