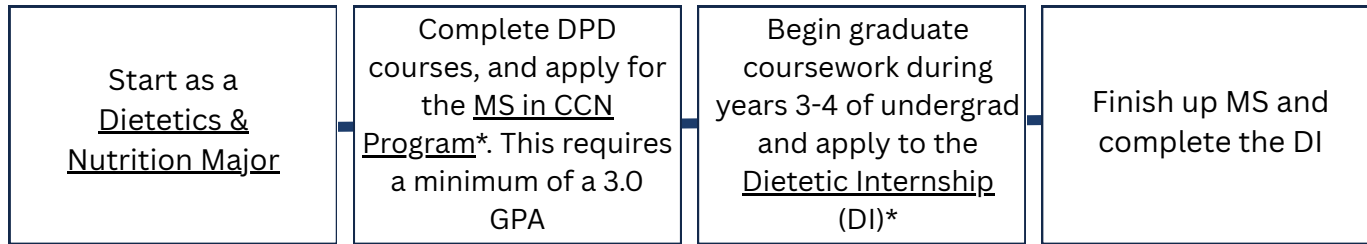


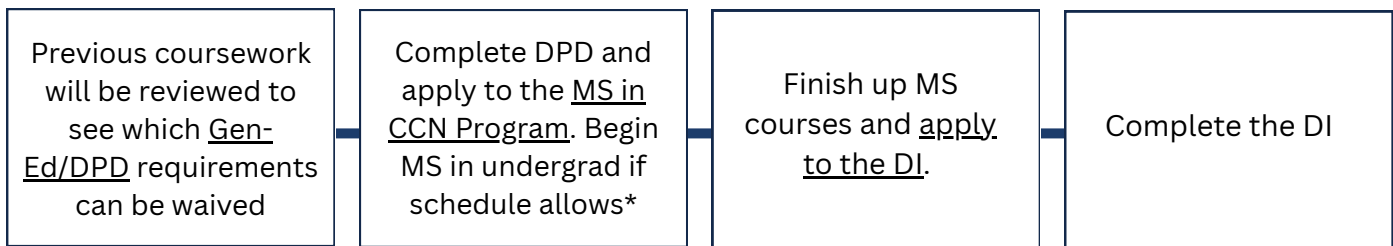


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Track 1: Freshmen Entry



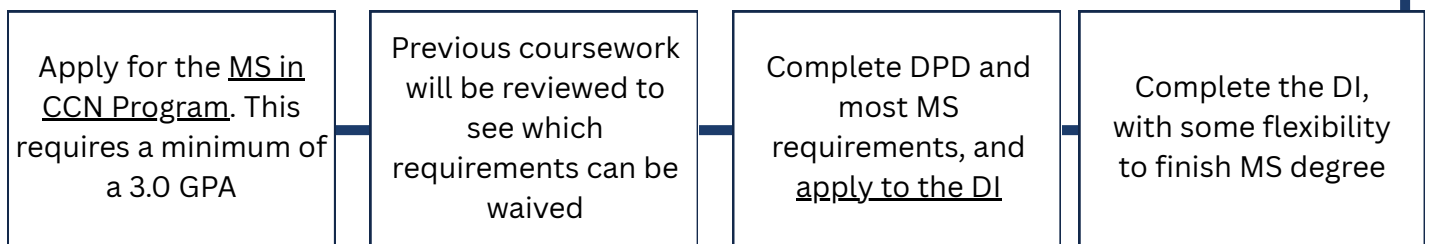
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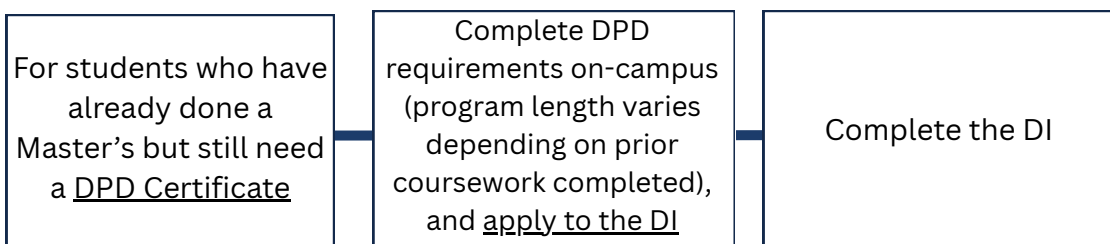
Eligibility to take the CDR Exam and become an RDN

See link for more information: Become an RDN

Track 3: Graduate Entry



Track 4: Post-Baccalaureate Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) Certificate



BS= Bachelor of Science in Dietetics & Nutrition

DPD= Didactic Program in Dietetics

MS= Master of Science in Clinical & Community Nutrition

DI= Dietetic Internship

*Obtaining the MS and DI at the University of Illinois is not required (student may choose to complete these elsewhere)



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Track 1: Freshmen already admitted to the program

- The University of Illinois offers a pathway for students to complete the Bachelor's, Master's, and Dietetic Internship.
- Student completes the Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) and begins Master of Science in Clinical & Community Nutrition courses in junior + senior year.
- Student can transfer up to 12 credit hours of 400-500 level courses that do not already count for the BS degree toward MS degree requirements.
- Student finishes remaining MS courses and completes Dietetic Internship (DI).

Track 2: Undergraduates transferring into the program

- Student's prior coursework will be reviewed to determine which classes fulfill General Education/DPD requirements.
- Student enrolls in the DPD and begins MS courses as able.
- Timeline varies depending on the number of courses remaining.

Track 3: Graduate students who need the DPD (and have a different BS degree)

- Student will take DPD + MS courses simultaneously.
- Complete the DI after 80% of degree requirements have been met.
- Some online MS classes may be taken during the DI.
- Proficiency exams available for FSHN 101, 150 and 220.
- 400-level DPD courses can count toward MS degree requirements.

Track 4: Students who need the DPD but already have their Master's degree

- The University of Illinois offers an on-campus Post-Baccalaureate Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) Certificate.
- For students who have completed their Master's and wish to complete their DPD requirements to obtain their DPD Verification Statement.
- The DPD verification statement is required for entry into the Dietetic Internship.



Program Credit Hour Requirements

Bachelor's Degree in Dietetics & Nutrition: 126 credit hours

Master's Degree in Clinical & Community Nutrition: 32 credit hours



FSHN 590 (5 hours) and 591 (5 hours) can count towards the 32 hour requirement

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