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## FAMILY CONSUMER SCIENCE: DIETETICS *College of Allied Health & Nursing*

### WHAT DEGREE AND PROGRAM DO WE OFFER?

Degrees offered are Family Consumer Science BS with options in Dietetics; Child Development and Family Studies; Foods and Nutrition; and Family Consumer Science Education BS Teaching.

A Minor in Family Consumer Science is available with options in Consumer Studies; Foods and Nutrition; and Child Development and Family Studies.

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS COMPLETING THIS PROGRAM

All Dietetics majors are part of the DPD, an accredited four-year program that is the first of four steps toward becoming a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN). Career opportunities are described in detail at the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics web site at [www.eatright.org](http://www.eatright.org). Some career opportunities include: Registered Dietitian Nutritionist in health-related foods and nutrition services in clinics, hospitals, schools, government agencies, health clubs, industry, and private practice.

#### Academic

Most of our graduates qualify for graduate school if they have the required grade point and necessary background courses.

### EXAMINING THE QUALITY OF OUR PROGRAM

#### Accreditations

Dietetics option is accredited by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.

#### Faculty

Dr. David Bissonnette, Foods and Nutrition  
Dr. Joye Bond, Dietetics  
Dr. Jill Conlon, FCS Education  
Dr. Heather Von Bank, Chair, Child Development and Family Studies  
Dr. Dan Moen, Child Development and Family Studies  
Dr. Jae Min Lee, Consumer Studies  
Dr. Molly Timlin, Dietetics

#### How do we perform on our exams vs others taking national exams?

Our program has had a 92% pass rate on the national RDN exam for the past 5 years (2013-2017)

### STUDENT EXPERIENCE/ PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

#### Specialized equipment and facilities

- Food Science Laboratory with equipment for experimental foods, testing, and sensory testing.
- New Foods Laboratory with equipment for food preparation and testing.
- New Textiles Laboratory with specialized clothing construction equipment.
- New FCS Education Laboratory with curriculum development, teaching technology, and teaching materials available for student use.
- Nutrition Assessment Laboratory with equipment for nutrition education, body composition and energy need testing.

#### Clubs

- American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences at Minnesota State University, Mankato (AAFCS-MSU).
- Student Dietetic and Nutrition Organization (SDNO)
- Phi Upsilon Omicron (honorary)

#### Internships

The major requires an undergraduate internship. Internship opportunities include business and industry, healthcare facilities, public schools, and non-profit organizations.

#### Scholarships

Each spring, scholarships are awarded to declared majors who have completed at least one semester at Minnesota State Mankato and have been involved in the department and excelled academically.

### STUDENT/FACULTY OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLABORATION

Students have the opportunity to work with faculty on research projects, community service projects, and planning department events.

### HOW DOES A STUDENT PREPARE FOR THIS PROGRAM?

In high school, for the Dietetics option, take chemistry, biology and math.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

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You are encouraged to visit the campus.

To arrange for a visit, please call:  
Office of Admissions: 507-389-1822  
Toll-free: 800-722-0544

## SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR CURRICULUM (DIETETICS, BS)

First Year (Fall)	First Year (Spring)
FCS 101 Introduction to Family Consumer Science (3) ENG 101 Composition (4) CHEM 106 Chemistry of Life Processes I (3) IT 100 Introduction to Computers and Applications (4) General Education, Goal Area 11 (1)	FCS 150 Food, Culture, & You (3) CHEM 111 Chemistry of Life Processes II (5) MATH 112 College Algebra (4) CMST 100 Fundamentals of Communication (3) <b>OR</b> CMST 102 Public Speaking (3)
Second Year (Fall)	Second Year (Spring)
BIOL 220 Human Anatomy (4) PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology (4) FCS 252 Foodservice Systems I (3) General Education, Goal Area 6 (3-4)	FCS 242 Nutrition for Healthcare Professionals (3) BIOL 330 Human Physiology (4) HLTH 321 Medical Terminology (3) SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology (3) General Education, Goal Area 6 (3-4)
Third Year (Fall)	Third Year (Spring)
FCS 446 Lifespan Nutrition (3) BIOL 270 Microbiology (4) HLTH 475 Biostatistics (3) ETHN 101 Introduction to Multicultural & Ethnic Studies (3) <b>OR</b> ETHN 150 Multicultural/Ethnic Experience (3) General Education, Goal Area 11 (1)	FCS 350 Food Service Systems II (3) FCS 420 Nutrition Assessment (3) FCS 440 Nutrition II (3) FCS 483 Adult & Technical Education in Family Consumer Science (3) HLTH 477 Behavior Change Strategies (3)
Fourth Year (Fall)	Fourth Year (Spring)
FCS 340 Food Science (4) FCS 442 Medical Nutrition Therapy I (3) FCS 492 Dietetics Seminar (2) FCS 497 Undergraduate Internship (2-3) ENG 271W Technical Communication (4)	FCS 342 Food Production Management (3) FCS 444 Experimental Food Science (3) FCS 447 Food Policy (3) FCS 448 Medical Nutrition Therapy II (3) General Education, Goal Area 10 (3)

For additional information about course requirements, please visit <http://www.mnsu.edu/supersite/academics/bulletins/>

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