

COORDINATED PROGRAM IN DIETETICS POLICIES

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The Coordinated Program in Dietetics follows the academic calendar of Delaware State University for all academic courses taken at the University. For the supervised practice rotations, students will have to be available on the days that they are scheduled at a facility. The student is expected to demonstrate flexibility and maturity in the scheduling of their rotations to ensure learning and exposure to the different facets of work at a facility.

Students will work two to three days per semester during the spring semester of their junior year and one to two additional weeks before the spring semester, during their spring break or directly after the semester ends to complete the 320 hours of their community rotation. During the summer of their junior year, students will return to campus in July/August to complete four to six full weeks of clinical supervised practice. Then they will work three days/week during the fall semester of their senior year to complete 500 hours of clinical supervised practice. In the spring of their senior year, students will work one full week before classes start and then three days a week in a food service management facility for 12 weeks. Students will end their supervised practice with an enrichment rotation of a minimum of 10 days to be completed during the end of their spring semester. If students want to do the enrichment rotation at a community or clinical site, they may be able to schedule the enrichment rotation at the end of their community or clinical rotations. For their enrichment rotation, students are encouraged to either work at a facility with which they are not familiar, yet, to broaden their exposure or work at a rotation site where they would like to deepen their experience.

When students are in their supervised practice rotations, they are strongly advised not to work anywhere else. Successful completion of academic courses and supervised practice assignments and commitments require a highly motivated, focused, and dedicated student.

Weekends: The student may be required to work some weekends depending on the facility and preceptor to whom they are assigned. To participate in all facets of an operation will require some adaptability.