

# Auburn University

## Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD)

### Welcome!

The Department of Nutritional Sciences is pleased to welcome you to the Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD). The Nutrition/Dietetics option is designed to prepare students interested in completing the requirements to become credentialed as a Registered Dietitian (RD) / Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN). This option prepares students for careers in clinical nutrition, community nutrition, public health, wellness, nutrition education and counseling, foodservice management, and food and nutrition in industry. Graduates who successfully complete the Didactic Program in Dietetics are qualified to apply for a post-baccalaureate supervised-practice program (e.g., a dietetic internship or coordinated master's program), as well as a graduate degree, which are both requirements for eligibility to take the National Registration Examination for Dietitians and earn the RD/ RDN credential starting January 2024.

The Bachelor of Science degree in Nutrition/Dietetics consists of a 2-year pre-professional component (NTDX) and the 2-year professional Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) (NTDI). The Auburn DPD meets the Standards of Education and Core Knowledge for the RD as set forth by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.

### ***Accreditation Status***

The Auburn University's Didactic Program in Dietetics 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, IL 60606-6995, (312) 899-0040 ext. 5400. [Http://www.eatright.org/ACEND](http://www.eatright.org/ACEND).



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