

Didactic Program in Dietetics
Food Science & Nutrition Department, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
Programmatic Assessment Plan (PAP)
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Mission Statement: *The mission of the Didactic Program in Dietetics at Cal Poly is to provide students with the knowledge, skills, and resources needed to gather data, assess information, plan interventions, and evaluate outcomes appropriately to implement the nutrition care process in preparation for success in a dietetic internship and in the career of dietetics.*

Goal: To provide education in a learning environment that prepares graduates to demonstrate knowledge and skills producing the competencies needed to become entry-level dietitians.						
Outcome Measures	Data Needed	Data Available	What groups will be assessed	Assessment methods	Who conducts assessment	Timeline
Over a five-year period, the pass rate for program graduates taking the registration examination for the first time will be at least 80%.	Pass rate as published in the CDR RD exam scores.	Yes	Alumni who list code 4304 as DPD granting institution.	Yearly report	DPD Director	Yearly as published by CDR.
Over a five-year period, 50% of graduates who apply to supervised practice programs will be accepted within 1 year of graduation	Tracking from DPD database	Yes	FSN DPD Verification Statement recipients	D & D digital match/no match list and email follow-up with applicants	DPD Director	Yearly in Fall:
Over a five-year period, 80% of those DPD graduates who apply to supervised practice programs will be accepted within 5 years of graduation	Tracking from DPD database.	Yes	FSN DPD Verification Statement recipients	D&D digital match/no match list and email follow-up.	DPD Director	Yearly in Fall; update for 5-year tracking
Over a five-year period, 60% of DPD graduates will apply to supervised practice programs the academic year they complete the program	Tracking from DPD database	Yes	Applied Nutrition graduates	Calculate percent qualified Applied Nutrition graduates who apply to DI.	DPD Director	Yearly in Fall

Directors of dietetic internships rate 100% of our graduates as 'Met expectations' or better on preparation in the knowledge requirements areas	Results of DI surveys	DI Director survey.	DI directors who have accepted CP DPD graduates	Surveyed online	DPD Director	Yearly in Fall quarter
90% of Applied Nutrition students will choose a 4 or 5 (scale 1=low, 5=high) on a scale specific to the knowledge requirements learning outcomes	Graduating Senior Survey	Yes	Graduating seniors	Survey	Online: DPD director and FSN Head	Yearly in Spring.
≥70% of Senior Projects are ranked acceptable or exemplary (3 or 4 on 4-point scale)	Senior Project Rubric	Yes	Applied Nutrition seniors completing FSN 461 senior project	Trait rubric for critical thinking and writing skills	All Nutrition Faculty	Every other year in Fall.
Applied Nutrition curriculum meets all of the FKS	Results faculty review, disc	Yes.	FSN Faculty	Discussion and syllabi review.	Director, FSN Faculty	Review yearly at end of spring department meeting

Goal: Program graduates demonstrate the knowledge, ethics, and technical skills needed for a successful career continuum in dietetics or in other professional fields.						
Outcome Measures	Data Needed	Data Available	What groups will be assessed	Assessment methods	Who conducts assessment	Timeline
75% of those who graduate in the Applied Nutrition concentration will qualify to receive a Verification Statement by having ≥ 2.75 higher education GPA.	Program completion and final Cal Poly GPA	Nutrition concentration and Verification statement Database	Applied Nutrition graduates from Fall 2010 onward	Calculate from DPD tracking database	DPD Director	Yearly in Fall at time of ADA annual report

80% of the students in the Applied Nutrition concentration will complete the coursework for graduation within five academic quarters after completion of FSN 328 Nutrient Metabolism 1.	Program completion and final Cal Poly GPA	Nutrition concentration and Verification statement Database	Applied Nutrition concentration graduates from Fall 2010 onward	Calculate from DPD tracking database	DPD Director	Yearly in Fall at time of ADA annual report
60% of the program graduates who do not apply, or are not accepted to, supervised practice programs and who go to graduate school or seek employment in other fields will students will choose a 4 or 5 (scale 1=low, 5=high) on a scale of questions assessing satisfaction with current career preparation one year after graduation.	Alumni Survey	Yes	Graduates from the program 1-year post graduation	Survey	Online: DPD director and FSN Head	Yearly in Spring.