THE PROGRAM OF STUDY FOR NUTRITION EMPHASIS

Registered dietitians may enter the program with a Master’s Degree in Nutrition or a closely related field. Prerequisite coursework includes:

- Foundations of Health Education/Health Promotion
- Administration of Health Education/Health Promotion Programs
- Health Education/Health Promotion Planning and Evaluation
- Health Education/Health Behavior Methods, Materials and Delivery

Some of these requirements may be met as co-requisite components in the program. A required review of student credentials prior to admission will identify strengths and needs. This review will provide students with a blueprint for their course of study. For students entering the program from other disciplines, the prerequisites should be completed prior to taking the core course sequence. The Ph.D. program requires students to complete 72 semester hours: 36 hours of coursework, 12 hours of research internship and 24 hours of dissertation.

I. Health Education/Promotion Core Courses (12 hrs)
   A. Advanced Theoretical and Scientific Basis of Health Education and Health Promotion (HHE 605) 3 hrs
   B. Planning and Administration of Health Education and Health Promotion (HHE 606) 3 hrs
   C. Health Communications Research (HHE 607) 3 hrs
   D. Doctoral Studies Seminar (HHE 604) 3 hrs

II. Advanced Research and Statistical Methods (12 hrs)
   A. Multivariate/Multiple Regression Analysis 3 hrs
   B. Advanced Epidemiological Research Methods 3 hrs
   C. Data Management/Computer Technology 3 hrs
   D. Evaluation/Research Methods 3 hrs

III. Coursework in Nutrition (12 hrs)

IV. Research Internship with Nutrition Faculty (12 hrs)

V. Dissertation in Nutrition (24 hrs)

Total: 72 hrs