

National Match

Admissions Requirements:
Completed application February 15 th
The original/official DPD verification statement indicating that you successfully completed Didactic Program in Dietetics Requirements. (If you are currently a senior, this form is typically mailed to you in June from your program. July 1 st
Final official transcript showing degree awarded and conferral date July 1 st
Register with D&D Digital February 15 th
Submit to Dietetic Internship Centralized Application System (DICAS): February 15 th
Anticipated completion or completion of a Bachelor's or Master's degree (minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale) from an institution that is an ACEND-accredited Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) with a minimum DPD GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. To verify these requirements submit: 1. Official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended. 2. An Intent to Complete Form or Verification Statement from your DPD Director verifying
Personal Statement of Purpose (1000-word statement) addressing the following: 1. Why do you want to enter the dietetics profession? 2. Discuss experiences that have helped to prepare you for your career. 3. Why are you interested in completing a dietetic internship at Messiah University? 4. What are your short and long-term goals? 5. What are your strengths and weaknesses or areas needing improvement? 6. What other information do you consider important for the selection decision?
Three recommendations (at least one must be from a volunteer or work supervisor and at least one should be from a college faculty member). The standard DICAS recommendation will be used.
Completion of at least 400 hours of work or volunteer experiences in the past 3 years, including a minimum of 200 hours related to nutrition and dietetics such as nutrition education, food production, or as a dietary aid. Preference will be given to applicants with experience in two or more of the following three areas: medical nutrition, community nutrition or food service.

If you have questions, please contact: **Leah Powel Smock**

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