

MANITOBA PARTNERSHIP DIETETIC EDUCATION PROGRAM Winnipeg, Manitoba

PROGRAM:

Manitoba Partnership Dietetic Education Program
Winnipeg Regional Health Authority, Nutrition and Food Services
345 DeBaets Street
Winnipeg, Manitoba
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NUMBER OF INTERNS:

Two (2)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Manitoba Partnership Dietetic Education Program is a fully accredited comprehensive program that ensures interns gain experience in all aspects of dietetic practice utilizing principles of adult education and self-directed learning. This program will offer diverse learning opportunities throughout the region and prepare interns for employment in currently existing practice areas as well as emerging practice areas. Within the Manitoba Partnership Dietetic Education Program there will be an enhanced emphasis on community-based practice, primary health care, long-term care, rural health care, and Aboriginal nutritional health. For more information about the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority (WRHA), see the WRHA Website at <http://wrha.mb.ca>
To find-out more about Winnipeg visit: <http://www.discoverwinnipeg.ca> or <http://www.winnipeg.ca/interhom/>

LENGTH OF PROGRAM:

41 weeks (including 2 weeks vacation)

Start Date

September 2014

PROGRAM OUTLINE:

Orientation/Education Session – 3 weeks

Clinical Nutrition – 12 weeks

Community Nutrition - Primary Care/Public Health – 6 weeks

Renal and Pediatric Group Study – 2 weeks

Nutrition and Food Service Management – 9 weeks

Professional Staff Experience (clinical nutrition or nutrition & food service management) – 3 weeks

Research Project – 4 weeks

Vacation – 2 weeks

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Selection Criteria

Applicants must be graduates of a Dietitians of Canada accredited undergraduate university degree program and have a minimum 3.0 degree (cumulative) GPA or B average. The College of Dietitians of Manitoba (CDM) must also approve the university program. Applicants who are currently university students must be expecting to complete their baccalaureate degree majoring in human nutritional sciences by April/May of this academic year. Students applying for internship more than 3 years since graduation must provide evidence of academic upgrading. All dietetic interns within the province of Manitoba are registered with CDM, and therefore, academic upgrading must be assessed by the CDM prior to internship application (contact information: office.cdm@mts.net). CDM requires 4 weeks for academic assessments.

We are seeking confident individuals with well-articulated career goals and leadership skills. It is a requirement to be fluent in the English language and eligible to work in Canada. Demonstrated excellent written and verbal communication skills and an ability to learn in a self-directed environment are assets.

Application Requirements

1. A completed Application Package for Dietetic Internship from Dietitians of Canada including three Confidential reports. The reports must include the following individuals:
 - One (1) from a University faculty member(s) The faculty member should be an individual who is affiliated with your courses required for your nutrition degree.
 - Two (2) from recent work-related references (volunteer or paid work)**Note:** at least **one** of these references must be a **registered dietitian** (member number is required)

2. A letter of application stating your professional goals, your reasons for choosing the Manitoba Partnership Dietetic Education Program and personal qualities and skills you bring to the dietetic profession and our program (limit to one page typed, single-spaced).
3. A resume describing your education and work/volunteer experience (in chronological order). Our program values transferable skills and seeks individuals with experiences involving: dietetics/food service, leadership/supervision/responsibility, initiative/motivation/creativity and interpersonal/team/communication skills.
4. An interpersonal skills report.

Illustrate your skill set related to the following:

- a. Successful problem solving
- b. Conflict resolution
- c. Effective teamwork

Use **one** example for each of the skills listed above from either your work, volunteer or life experience.

Use a **different** example for each skill.

Length = one typed page, double-spaced for each illustration.

Applicant Scoring

Applicants will be scored out of a total of 100 points. Points will be awarded according to the following criteria:

Academic rating - 20

Resume - 30

Letter – 10

Confidential reports – 20

Interpersonal skills report - 20

Travel Requirements

All interns participating in the Manitoba Partnership Dietetic Education Program will complete a minimum of nine weeks of their training outside of Winnipeg. This will allow interns to obtain diverse experience in the provision of nutrition care across the health care continuum. Placements will provide clinical nutrition, community nutrition, food service management and research experience, depending on the learning opportunities available. In more remote locations, this experience will be scheduled as a continuous period of time to reduce travel requirements. In some areas closer to Winnipeg, where interns have the option to commute, and the experience may be scheduled in 2-3 time periods. Travel and accommodation arrangements and costs will be the responsibility of the intern.

Access to a Vehicle

It is recommended that interns have access to a motor vehicle. Dietetic interns will be responsible for their own transportation to various training sites within and outside of Winnipeg.

Program Expenses

Prior to beginning internship:

1. DC qualifying membership
2. Criminal record check
3. Child abuse registry check
4. Updated immunization record
5. Accident Insurance (offered through DC with qualifying membership)
6. Liability/Malpractice Insurance (offered through DC with qualifying membership)
7. College of Dietitians of Manitoba registration as a Dietetic Intern (\$80.00)

During internship:

8. \$350.00 registration fee (paid during first week of program)
9. Transportation/travel costs
10. Accommodation costs

Working Hours

Normal hours of work in a week are approximately 37.5 hours. Extra hours of work will be required to complete readings, assignments and projects.

Prior Learning Experience

Dietetic interns who can demonstrate achievement of DC competencies from work or volunteer or research experience can apply for credit for prior learning experience, potentially resulting in a shortened program length.

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