

# PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE IN DIETETICS

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## Master of PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE IN DIETETICS (M.P.P.)

The Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition offers a 30-credit, non-thesis, online, professional master's degree with two possible tracks. Track 1 (RD2B track) is for individuals who are interested in becoming Registered Dietitian Nutritionists and track 2 (DI track) is for graduates of a dietetic internship (DI) who wish to earn a master's degree. Students interested in further graduate study (PhD) may require additional coursework and/or research beyond the MPP to gain admission into a doctoral program.

The RD2B track is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND). Admission requirements for this MPP track include successful completion of at least a Bachelor's degree and a verification statement from any ACEND accredited didactic program in dietetics (DPD). A minimum GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) both overall and in the DPD are desired. A professional goal statement ( $\leq 750$  words), three letters of recommendation from faculty, work supervisors or those who can attest to the applicant's ability to succeed in an online program in the field of dietetics are also required. Students in the DI track, must have successfully completed a graduate DI and may be eligible to transfer some of these graduate DI courses towards the MPP. The Graduate Record Examination (GRE) is not required for either track.

More information on the program can be found here: <https://www.grad-college.iastate.edu/academics/programs/apresults.php?id=140>.