

## Checklist for Applying for the MS Program in Nutritional Science – Option in Dietetics

- Completed on-line application to the University and MS Program – Option in Dietetics – and pay non-refundable application fee (<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply>)

The following supplementary information must be submitted through the online application at Cal State Apply:

- **One unofficial transcript** from all colleges or universities attended since high school
  - Completion of a bachelor's degree from an ACEND accredited program
- **Two letters of recommendation**
  - At least one academic letter required
  - The other letter must be from an employer verifying 40 hours of work experience in nutrition/dietetics has been completed
  - Nor more than two letters will be considered
- **Statement of Purpose** addressing why you want to pursue an MS In Nutritional Science. In addition, the statement of purpose should address why you want to enter the dietetics profession, your short and long-term goals, your strengths and weaknesses or areas needing improvement, any experiences that have helped prepare you for your career, and any other information you would like the committee to know.
- **Resume**
  - Must include work experience in nutrition/dietetics including at least 40 hours of experience in an acute or long-term care type setting
  - [Resume Example \(PDF\)](#)
- **Pre-requisite course clearance form**
- **Writing sample** (academic paper expected)
- **Verification Statement** of completion of an ACEND accredited Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) within the past five years or a Letter of Intent from the DPD Director.