

Dietetic Internship: Mission, Goals & Objectives

Program Mission

Our mission is to prepare graduates to enter the field as competent, entry-level registered dietitians, with an expertise in medical nutrition therapy, who put the care of people above all.

Program Goals and Objectives

- **Goal #1:** The St. Cloud Hospital Dietetic Internship will prepare graduates to become competent entry-level registered dietitians.
 - Objective #1: Eighty percent of program graduates take the CDR credentialing exam for dietitian nutritionists within 12 months of program completion.
 - Objective #2: The program's one year pass rate (graduates who pass the registration exam within one year of the first attempt) on the CDR credentialing exam for dietitian nutritionists is at least 80%.
 - Objective #3: Of graduates who seek employment, 80% are employed in nutrition and dietetics or related fields within 12 months of graduation.
 - Objective #4: At least 80% of program interns complete program requirements within 12 months for full time interns and within 16 months for part time interns (150% of program length).
 - Objective #5: Twelve months post-graduation, 80% of employers will rank graduates as "meets expectations" or above in their preparation for entry-level practice.
 - Objective #6: Twelve months post-graduation, at least 80% of interns will rank themselves as "well prepared" or higher in their ability to perform what is required in their job description for their current position when they first started.
- **Goal #2:** The St. Cloud Hospital Dietetic Internship will prepare graduates who demonstrate a commitment to putting the care of people above all.
 - Objective #1: 80% of employers will rank graduates as "meets expectations" or above in standards of patient/client/customer centered care 12 months post-graduation.

Outcomes data for the program objectives listed above will be available upon request. Please contact Sierra Quarnstrom at QuarnstromS@centracare.com.

