

Memorandum of Degree Completion Agreement Between Harper College (HC) and Dominican University (DU) in Nutrition & Dietetics

INTRODUCTION

This Degree Completion Agreement is simultaneously entered into by HC and DU in order to create a smooth and seamless process by which eligible HC students will ultimately be able to complete a **Bachelor of Science degree in Nutrition & Dietetics** at DU on the way to becoming a Registered Dietitian (RD). This agreement requires the completion of an **Associate of Science (AS) with Nutrition Emphasis** at HC.

This aforementioned agreement is intended to foster and promote continued communication between HC and DU in order to develop and perfect additional opportunities for faculty exchanges, team teaching and other pedagogical initiatives, as well as joint use of lab and lecture space.

As part of this Degree Completion Agreement, DU will automatically accept, in its entirety, the AS degree in Dietetic Technician earned at HC. In addition to completing the remainder of the Nutrition & Dietetics major at DU, HC students who take one (1) additional Social and Behavioral Science course, and one (1) more Fine Arts/Humanities course will be required to complete the following core requirements at DU: two (2) Liberal Arts and Sciences Seminars, a Theology course, and an Information Access Workshop. Completing the aforementioned AS degree at HC is required for students to enter DU under the terms of this agreement. Participating HC students may contact the Director of Transfer and Adult Admission for more specific information concerning these courses. All policies and procedures of this Degree Completion Agreement will be governed by the duly appointed representatives from the aforementioned parties.

Students interested in becoming a registered dietitian must complete a bachelor's degree in Nutrition & Dietetics from the Accreditation Council on Education in Nutrition & Dietetics (ACEND)-accredited program of the Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics (AND), complete 1200 hours of supervised practice, and must successfully pass the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) examination (www.eatright.org). Students can complete the aforementioned AS degree at HC and then transfer to DU to complete their bachelor's degree in Nutrition & Dietetics. DU has a seamless coordinated program which includes a 1200-hour supervised practice program, the dietetic internship.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

Students may apply to DU at any time during their attendance at HC; it is recommended that students apply for admission to DU at least one semester prior to completing the degree at HC. Students must meet all applicable admission requirements at DU, and must maintain a 2.0 GPA at HC to remain eligible for this degree completion program. A minimum cumulative GPA of

2.5/4.0 is required for admission to DU. A student whose GPA is below 2.5 is required to have the Director of Transfer Admission present the file to the DU Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid for a decision. In some cases, such a student may be asked to submit an official high school transcript and ACT/SAT scores. Students' eligibility for continued study at either HC or DU will be governed by each institution's policies on enrollment of probationary, dismissed and re-entering students.

At any time before the completion of the aforementioned AAS degree at HC, students may officially rescind the stipulations of the Degree Completion Agreement and transfer to DU, or any other institution of higher education, under the usual procedures.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT

Under this agreement, a student is exclusively enrolled at DU once the student has completed the aforementioned AAS degree at HC and has been accepted to DU via the admission criteria above. After matriculation at DU, the student's subsequent progress toward the bachelor's degree is governed solely by DU's academic standards. HC students must request a final, official transcript to be sent to DU after completing the aforementioned AS degree at HC for final verification.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

DU will generally accept a maximum of sixty-eight (68) semester hours from a community college. If a student exceeds sixty-eight (68) hours, DU will accept the most useful courses from the official transcript, not to exceed sixty-eight (68) semester hours towards the 124 minimum hours required for the bachelor's degree.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ADVISING

The Director of Transfer and Adult Admission at DU will provide participating students with the advising materials, including model plans of recommended study and coursework specific to their intended academic program at DU. Students will notify HC and DU of major/minor changes for advising purposes. Students who have expressed their desire to cancel their participation in the Degree Completion Agreement will notify HC and DU of their decision. In order to develop subsequent program guides for HC students, the Director of Transfer and Adult Admission at DU will inform HC of any changes to the core or major curricula that may affect the integrity of this agreement.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The details of this agreement between the **Associate of Science with Nutrition Emphasis at HC** and the **Bachelor of Science in Nutrition & Dietetics at DU** are as follows:

B.S. in Nutrition/Dietetics: Upon completion of the aforementioned degree program at HC maximum of sixty-eight (68) semester hours of credit would transfer from HC to DU. The sixty-eight (68) hours of the AS with Nutrition Emphasis would be applied to the total hours required for the Nutrition & Dietetics bachelor's degree at DU. Thus, students would need to complete

thirty-seven (37) additional hours specifically in the Nutrition and Dietetics major at DU, and a minimum total of fifty-six (56) hours for the degree.

Students should take the following HC courses and consult the HC liaison for this articulation.

I. Suggested Curriculum for the Associate of Science with Nutrition Emphasis at HC in conjunction with the Bachelor of Science in Nutrition and Dietetics at DU:

First Semester

ENG 101	Composition I	3
MTH 103	College Algebra	3
NTR 100	Introduction to the Nutrition Profession	1
NTR 101	Fundamentals of Nutrition	3
CHM 110	Fundamentals of Chemistry	4

Second Semester

ENG 102	Composition II	3
BIO 110	Intro to Biology and Society	4
NTR 200	Nutrition Through the Life Cycle	3
MTH 225	Business Statistics	4
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	3

Summer I

BIO 160	Human Anatomy	4
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Third Semester

PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
PHI 105	Introduction to Philosophy	3
BIO 130	Microbiology	4
NTR 205	World Cultures and Food	3
NTR 110	Principles of Food Preparation	3

Summer II

BIO 161	Human Physiology	4
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Fourth Semester

SPE 101	Fundamentals of Speech Communication	3
NTR 225	Sports Nutrition or Program Elective	3
NTR 295	Community Nutrition	3
	Fine Arts/Humanities Elective	3


Please note: A Manager's sanitation certificate is required for transfer to a four-year school. This can be taken in a one-day course and will be offered at HC to fulfill DU's NUTR 141 (1).

Total for AS degree completion at HC: 68 hours

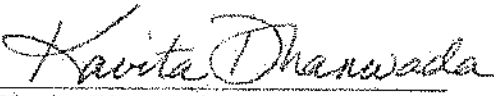
II. The following courses are required at DU in order to complete the Bachelor's degree in Nutrition & Dietetics:

A. <u>DU Foundation Requirement</u>		
Information Access Workshop		n/c
B. <u>DU Area Requirements</u>		9
Social Science Elective		
Humanities Elective		
Theology		
C. <u>DU Liberal Arts and Sciences Seminars</u>		6
Junior Seminar		
Senior Seminar		
D. <u>DU Major Requirements in Nutrition and Dietetics:</u>		
CHEM 104	Intro to Organic Chemistry	4
NUTR 251	Advanced Nutrition	1
NUTR 290	Nutritional Biochemistry	3
NUTR 299	Community Based Learning	1
NUTR 345	Nutrition Communication Skills	3
NUTR 346	Food and Nutrition Service Administration	3
NUTR 375	Food Service Purchasing	3
NUTR 390	Experimental Foods	4
NUTR 404	Medical Nutrition Therapy I	3
NUTR 407	Quantity Food Production and Service	4
NUTR 408	Medical Nutrition Therapy II	3
NUTR 420	Intro to Writing About Health & Nutrition	2
NUTR 430	Seminar in Medical Nutrition Therapy	3
E. <u>Elective(s)</u>		4
Total for degree completion at DU:		56 hours
FINAL TOTAL (minimum):		124 hours

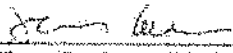
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto executed this Agreement on this 15th day of February 2019, by and through their duly authorized representatives as set forth below.

Signed 
Kimberly Chavis
Dean of Health Services
Harper College

Date 2/25/19

Signed 
Kavita Dhanwada
Founding Dean, Borra College of
Health Sciences
Dominican University

Date 2/15/19

Signed 
Jeffrey Carlson, Ph.D.
Interim Provost, Vice President for
Academic Affairs
Dominican University

Date 2-15-19