Bachelor of Science in Nutrition and Food Science with Specialization in Dietetics
2018-2019 Admission Requirements

Program Details: The BSc Nutrition and Food Science, Dietetics Specialization prepares students for careers as Registered Dietitians. The Dietetics Specialization enables students to acquire both the knowledge and the practical skills needed to practice as a Registered Dietitian or Registered Nutritionist.

Quota: 50 Students

Minimum Standards: The minimum GPA required is a 2.7, however, it is recommended to maintain at least a 3.0 to remain competitive.

Please note: meeting the minimum standards does not guarantee admission.

Admission Requirements:

I. Prerequisite Courses:
Prerequisites courses should be completed as a student in the BSc Nutrition and Food Science General Program. The minimum preferred requirement for admission to the Dietetics Specialization is 30 units of transferable course work. Students will not be considered for admission unless all of the below courses have been completed by the end of the winter semester immediately prior to admission.

- BIOL 107 (★3)
- CHEM 101 and 102 (★6)
- CHEM 164 or 261 (★3)
- ENGL (or equivalent) (★6)
- NUTR 100 (★3)
- STAT 151 (★3)
- NUFS 100 (★3) recommended
- Free Elective (★3)

II. Other Requirements:
1. Letter of Intent: Applicants must submit a letter with their application for admission stating their career goals, knowledge of the profession, related experience, and reasons for seeking admission to the Dietetics Specialization. Prospective students should have spoken with a Registered Dietitian and undertaken significant career exploration prior to seeking admission.
2. Interview: The interview evaluates the applicant’s maturity, initiative, ability to communicate, leadership skills, and critical thinking abilities.
3. Two Letters of Reference
4. English Language Requirements: Applicants must meet English requirements as specified in the University of Alberta Calendar including Spoken English Proficiency.
III. Selection Process:

1. Interview Process: Interview selection is based on academic achievement in the prerequisite courses, overall academic achievement (emphasizing recent academic performance), and the content and format of their Letter of Intent.

2. Admissions Formula: Applicants are ranked on their academic achievement in the prerequisite courses; overall academic achievement (emphasizing recent academic performance); the content and format of their Letter of Intent; the strength of their letters of reference and their performance in the interview process.

Recommended Alberta High School Prerequisites (or equivalent):

- Biology 30
- Chemistry 30
- English 30-1
- Math 30-1

Deadlines:

Application Deadline: February 1, 2018