Goals and Objectives of the DPD at Purdue University

The program has four broad goals and there are objectives tied to each goal.

Goal 1. Prepare students to be qualified and competent for the pursuit of a career related to dietetics and nutrition.

Objective measures for Goal 1:
1. DPD Completion Rate Within 150% of time planned for completion *(Target Measure 99%)*
2. Supervised Experience Program Acceptance Rate Compared to National Acceptant Rate *(Purdue DPD > National Average)*
3. Application to Supervised Practice within 12 months of graduation (at least 69% of the DPD graduates)
4. Passing RD Exam on 1st time (>80%)
5. Total Mean Scaled Score *(Purdue DPD > National Average)*
6. Nutrition Mean Scaled Score *(Purdue DPD > National Average)*
7. Foodservice Mean Scaled Score *(Purdue DPD > National Average)*
8. Become RD and/or obtain employment related to major, and/or enrolled in an accredited continuing education program *(At least 80%)*
9. Rating of Foundation knowledge Requirements of DPD Graduates *(80% will receive at least a satisfactory rating (3 or above))*

Goal 2. Foster student involvement in the unique opportunities related to dietetics and nutrition to broaden their experiences beyond those required in the DPD curriculum.

Objective measures for Goal 2.
1. Application to the CPD program annually *(at least 20% of DPD students)*
2. Number of Double Majors *(at least 33% of DPD students)*
3. Enrollment/Participation in Honors Program, Study Abroad, Seminars and Lectures, Corporate Internships, Executive in the Classroom *(at least 50% of DPD students in either/or experience)*

Goal 3. Support and disseminate relevant information regarding dietetics education, supervised experience programs, career options, employment opportunities and other resources related to the field of dietetics and nutrition.

Objective measures for Goal 3.
1. Utilization of Nutrition Science (F&N) Website, Nutrition Science (F&N) Bulletin Board, Jobs in Dietetics, Industrial Roundtable and HTM Career Day *(at least 80% of dietetics students will use at least one of the employment assistance tools)*
2. DPD Student Attendance at Meetings *(At least 70% of DPD students who have a junior standing or above will attend meetings)*
Goal 4. Prepare students to utilize technology as related to the practice of dietetics and nutrition.

Objective measures for Goal 4:
1. Rating of DPD graduates by employers (>90% will receive at least a satisfactory rating (3 or above) in knowledge and skills in the use of technology related to dietetics/nutrition)
2. Utilization of technology by DPD students/graduates ( >80% will report weekly usage of technology related to dietetics and/or nutrition)
3. Utilization of technology in courses (>99%)

Information to Public
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