

Goals and Objectives of the DPD at Purdue University

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

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

Objective measures for Goal 1:

1. At least 80% of program students complete program/degree requirements within 3 years of entering junior status in the DPD.
2. At least 70% of program graduates apply for admission to a supervised practice program prior to or within 12 months of graduation. (Includes graduates who apply to CPD)
3. At least 50% of program graduates are admitted to a supervised practice program within 12 months of graduation. (Include graduates accepted to Purdue CPD, DIs, ISPPs, or other supervised practice)
4. Dietetic Internship Spring Match rate will exceed national match rate. (Target Measure: Purdue DPD \geq National Match Rate)
5. The program's one-year pass rate (graduates who pass the registration exam within one year of first attempt) on the CDR credentialing exam for dietitian nutritionists is at least 80%.
6. Supervised Practice Program Directors' rating of foundation knowledge requirements of DPD graduates (Target Measure: 95% will receive at least a satisfactory rating (3 or above)).

Goal 2. Prepare graduates for continued professional development and life-long learning through discovery, learning, and engagement.

Objective measures for Goal 2:

1. Number of graduates who have completed or are pursuing an advanced degree or specialty certification within 2-5 years after graduation (Target Measure: \geq 30%).
2. Number of graduates who report involvement in community or professional engagement or research activities within 2-5 years of graduation (Target Measure: \geq 50%).

Information to Public

Program outcomes data are available on request. Please send a written request to Rachel A. Clark, MS, RD, CSSD, Interim DPD Director, at rachelclark@purdue.edu.