# PROGRAM MISSION AND GOALS

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# Mission Statement of the MSU Master of Science Dietetic Internship Program

**Mission Statement:** The faculty and preceptors of the Michigan State University Master of Science Dietetic Internship (MSDI) Program will strive to prepare entry-level dietitian nutritionists for state-of-the-art practice in diverse and challenging healthcare, foodservice, and community settings.

**Goals of the MSU Dietetic Internship Program**

1. **MSU MSDI graduates will demonstrate compliance, professionalism, and a commitment to the profession.**

**Outcome Measures:**

* 1. 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%.
  2. At least 90% of program graduates take the CDR credentialing exam for dietitian nutritionists within 12 months of program completion.
  3. At least 70% of graduates will indicate interest in precepting by the end of their supervised practice experience.
  4. At least 80% of interns complete program requirements within 24 months (150% of planned program length).
  5. At least 90% of responding graduates will rank their preparation by the internship for an entry-level RD/RDN position at a mean of 2.0 on a 3-point scale. (1=unsatisfactory/below entry level; 2=satisfactory/entry level, 3=excellent/above entry level)
  6. At least 80% of responding employers will rank program graduates with a mean rating of at least 2.0 on a 3-point scale regarding preparation of graduate for an entry level RD/RDN position. (1=unsatisfactory/below entry level; 2=satisfactory/entry level; 3=excellent/above entry level)

# MSU MSDI graduates will seek employment in various areas of dietetics and nutrition.

**Outcome Measures:**

1. Of graduates who seek employment, at least 90% are employed in nutrition and dietetics or related fields within 12 months of graduation.
2. In a post graduate survey, 80% of graduates will indicate good or excellent exposure to a variety of RD/RDN roles/positions during their internship.