

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS

Accelerated Graduate Program Request

UNIVERSITY:	SDSU
NAME AND DEGREE (e.g., BA, BS) OF	Nutrition and Dietetics (B.S.)
UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM:	
NAME AND DEGREE (e.g., MA, MS, PhD) OF	Nutrition and Dietetics (M.S.)
GRADUATE PROGRAM:	

University Approval

To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.

President of the University

10/14/2021

Date

1. Maximum number of credits allowed to transfer between undergraduate and graduate program:

Nine (9) credits

2. Is the response to Question 1 more than thirteen (13) credit hours?

Yes (requires BOR approval) No (does not require BOR approval)

3. What is the proposed date (day/month/year) the accelerated program would begin?

2022-2023 Academic Year

4. Please provide a brief explanation of the accelerated program, including specific courses eligible for both the undergraduate and graduate program credit.

This accelerated program is being developed to meet the credentialling requirements to become a registered dietitian nutritionist (RDN). In January 2024, RDN candidates must have completed a masters and an Accreditation Council for Education of Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) accredited supervised practice experience. The proposed program is being developed to meet the Future Education Model standards from ACEND providing the competency based supervised practice experiences and a graduate degree. The proposed program is being developed to allow students to complete the undergraduate prerequisites, graduate program, and competency-based experiences in 5 years; thus becoming a credentialed professional for practice.

Students must follow policy and procedures outlined in <u>SDSU Policy 2:22 Use of Graduate</u> Credit for Undergraduate Degree Requirements.

The accelerated program will allow students who meet the minimum criteria (completed a minimum of 90 credits toward the B.S. degree and minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA) to apply nine (9) credits of graduate course credits to their B.S and M.S. in Nutrition and Dietetics. Students in the undergraduate program must obtain a senior permit from the Graduate School in order enroll in 500- or 600-level graduate courses. The specific courses that will count for undergraduate and graduate credit are:

NUTR 523 Medical Nutrition Therapy I NUTR 525 Medical Nutrition Therapy II NUTR 560 Nutrigenomics and Molecular Nutrition