

**Course Description:**

This course includes the study of educational theories and its application in the nutrition education of clients, community groups, and employees (in-service), including the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND) Nutrition Care Process Model and its application. Educational objectives and strategies used in teaching will be reviewed and students will be involved in developing, planning, and managing nutrition interventions for use in the community. Emphasis will be placed on assessment and implementation of nutrition education of target population groups that are underserved. Local, state and federal public sector nutrition resources as well as the private sector's role in education will be explored. The fundamentals of political and legislative processes affecting nutrition delivery will be reviewed at both the federal and state level.

**Credits:** Two (2)

**Course Format and Modes of Instruction:**

This course is a web-based class consisting of readings from the textbook, discussion activities posted on the discussion board, links to informational cites on the internet, lecture handouts, written assignments, and practice quizzes.

**Prerequisites:**

- Successful completion of an Associate's Degree from an Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) accredited Dietetic Technician Program
- Participation in Moodle orientation
- Working knowledge of computer.
- Hardware and Software requirements for Moodle courses can be found at: <http://shrp.rutgers.edu/tech4sure/moodle/index.html>
- Active membership within the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND)

**Course Goals and Objectives:**

**Course Goals**

The goal of this course is to fulfill the core competencies required for the entry level dietitian as it applies to nutrition education in the community. The objectives for this course are listed below and will be met through course assignments and discussions.

**Course Objectives**

The course objectives are in partial fulfillment of the foundation knowledge and skills and the core competencies required for those students pursuing the Coordinated Program in dietetics as required by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND).

**Course Requirements:**

Requirements	Weight
Attendance/Participation/Group Discussion	10%
Communication and Cultural Competence Project	15%
Module 1 Quiz	15%
Evidence Based Modules	10%
Module 2 Quiz	15%
Nutrition Education Plan	20%
Module 3 Quiz	15%
Total	100%