

Nicholls State University – Morrison MSDI Program

MHC DI has formed a partnership with Nicholls State University to give interns the chance to enroll in a fully online, 36-credit-hour [Master of Science in Clinical Nutrition and Dietetics Leadership Program](#). The non-thesis degree offers students an environment that is flexible enough for students to complete the internship program and a graduate degree simultaneously. Course materials are posted online and can be completed at home. Assignments include video presentations, case studies, and writing assignments. Students also can interact with other students and faculty through online discussion forums.

Admission and Application Requirements:

The curriculum requires 36 credit hours of coursework, which includes 6 credit hours of non-thesis research and other core courses such as Leadership Theories, Leadership in Clinical Nutrition, Food Systems Management, and Public Policy and Advocacy in Dietetics.

The admission requirements for Nicholls State University are as follows:

- Admission to the University and to Graduate Studies
- Admission requirements into the master's program include acceptance into the Dietetic Internship Program or the following:
- Bachelor's degree and a DPD Verification statement from an accredited Didactic Program in Dietetics, Dietetic Internship Program, or confirmation of registered dietitian credentials.
- Undergraduate GPA: minimum of 2.8
- Conditional admissions with the approval of the program admissions committee.
- Application, required documents, and application fee submitted through the [Nicholls State University application](#) portal

Tentative Plan of Study:

Semester or Term	Summer 1	Fall	Spring	Summer 2
Units	12 units (12 of 36)	9 units (21 of 36)	9 units (30 of 36)	6 units (36 of 36)
MS Courses	DIET 501 (3 units) DIET 502 (3 units) *Elective (3 units) *Elective (3 units)	DIET 503 (3 units) DIET 505 (3 units) *Elective (3 units)	DIET 504 (3 units) DIET 506 (3 units) *Elective (3 units)	*Elective (3 units) *Elective (3 units)
MHC DI		Begin MHC DI: September	Complete MHC DI: May	Graduate MS: Aug Receive MHC DI verification statement
*Electives courses are varied and are offered that can be tailored to the interests of the graduate student.				

Program Costs:

Tuition is \$444 per credit hour including fees. Our MS Program students do not pay out-of-state tuition. Therefore, the cost of the entire program is approximately \$16,000. The Graduate School requires an application fee of \$30. These costs are subject to change each year with the approval of the Louisiana State Legislature. View estimated cost of attendance [here](#). Please note that all fees are subject to change.

MS Coursework Requirements

Unit Requirements:

- DIET 501 Leadership Theories
- DIET 502 Leadership in Clinical Nutrition
- DIET 503 Food Systems Management
- DIET 504 Public Policy and Advocacy in Dietetics
- DIET 505 Research I
- DIET 506 Research II

Electives Offered (18 hours of elective courses):

- AHSC 500 Interprofessional Communication and Collaboration in Healthcare
- DIET 510 Advanced Counseling and Education Theories
- DIET 511 Nutrition in the Older Adult
- DIET 512 Nutrition Entrepreneurship
- DIET 513 Current Topics in Advanced Nutrition (repeatable for credit if topic differs)

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