

THE
UNIVERSITY
OF RHODE ISLAND

College of Health Sciences Graduate Programs

THINK BIG  WE DO™





DEPARTMENT OF
NUTRITION AND FOOD
SCIENCES

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

WHY URI? IDEAL SIZE — IDEAL LOCATION

Large enough to provide the resources of a major research center and small enough to offer everyone a strong sense of community!


- 14,726 undergraduates
- 1,998 graduate students
- 66 nations and 43 US states and territories represented
- 55% RI residents, 45% out-of-state or international

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- 10 minutes to RI beaches ■ 20 minutes to historic Newport
 - 35 minutes to Providence ■ 90 minutes to Boston ■ 2.5 hours to New York City

NUTRITION AND FOOD SCIENCES (NFS) GRAD PROGRAMS AT URI



- **Develop greater expertise in a given area of a given field**
- **Prepare for specific jobs**
- **RD credential will soon require MS (2024)**
- **Enhance your career**
- **Competitiveness in job market**



GRAD SCHOOL: WHAT'S IN STORE?

- **Small classes**
- **Research experiences**
- **Special projects**
- **Writing**

How Long?

- **MS: ~2 years full time**
- **MSDI: ~2 years full time**
 - **1 year didactic**
 - **1 year rotations**
- **PhD: ~3 years full time**

How Much?

- **MS/DI & MS – tuition-based**
- **MS, PhD – funding opportunities (teaching and research assistantships)**

Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences

- **Master of Science (MS)**

- **Dietetic Internship (MS/DI)**
- **Dietetics (MS)**
- **Nutrition Science (MS)**

- **Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)**

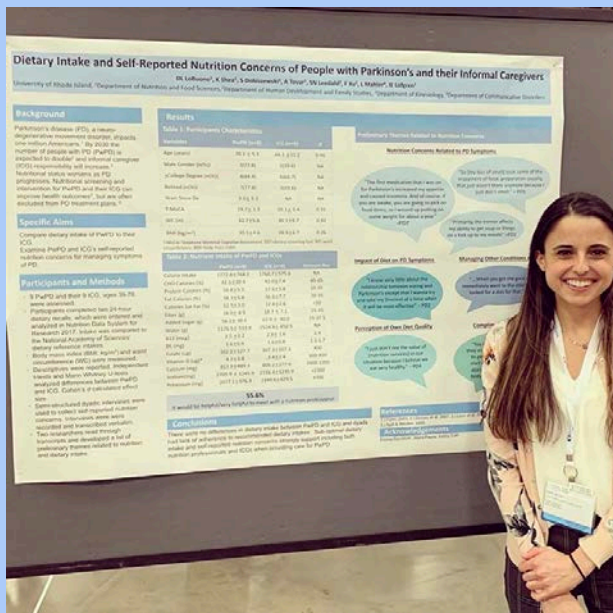
- **Nutrition Science/ Health Sciences**

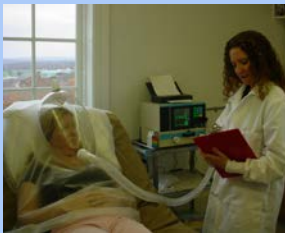
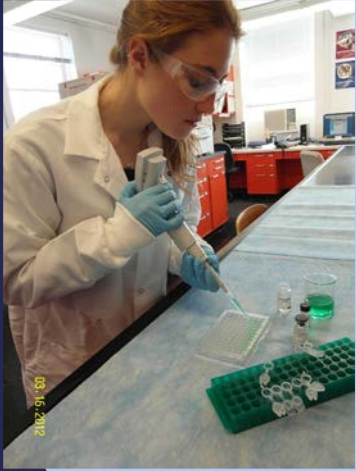
GRADUATE PROGRAM OFFERINGS

- **MS and PhD degrees specializing in Nutrition**
- **An accredited dietetic internship program**
- **An accelerated BS to MS program**
- **Seven research labs**
- **The department has highly successful outreach programs in both Nutrition and Food Safety**

Benefits of MS/PhD Program:

- Allow more time for professional development
- Work more closely with faculty
- Greater chance for funding



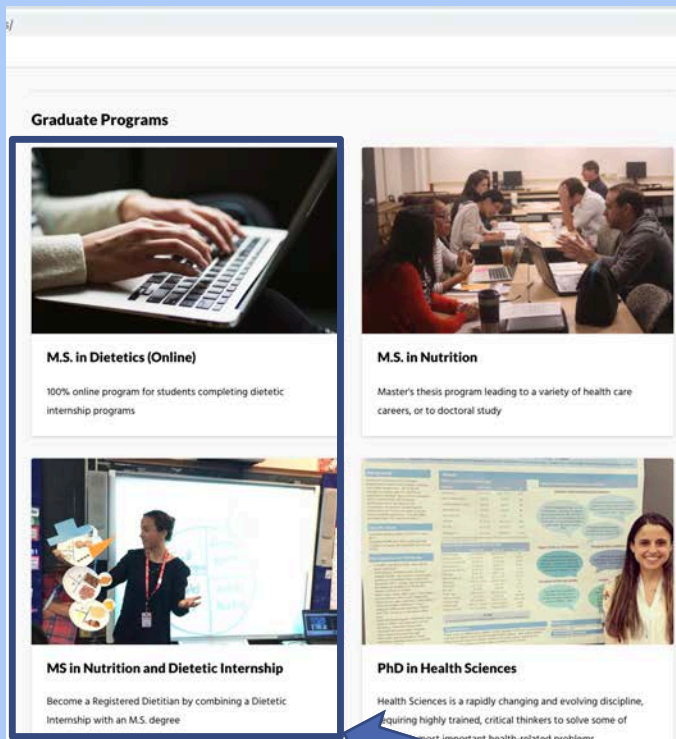


STUDENTS IN ACTION
ACROSS OUR PROGRAMS

HOW TO MS/DI:

Visit our website!

<https://web.uri.edu/nfs/academics/>



1. Review NFS Graduate Program Offerings
2. If you are interested in a 100% online MS in Dietetics Degree
 1. Proceed to our website for information on admission, curriculum, tuition, etc
3. If you are interested in a combination MS/DI program
 1. Proceed to our website for more information
 2. Check out our Virtual Open House Recording
 3. Program offers research options

The University of Rhode Island MS in Dietetics Program Online



About the Program

The MS in Dietetics Program is a 100% online non-thesis degree program



Courses are completed over seven, 7-week sessions



all faculty have **graduate degrees** and are **Registered Dietitian Nutritionists (RDNs)**



Program duration = **14 months**

Enrollment



Completion rate

Graduated 132/133* students
*maternity leave of absence

RDN Track - Fall 2018

Sodexo Clinical RDNs and Clinical Nutrition Managers



RDNs will create an **individualized learning plan (ILE)** in the first course, allowing them to replace a unit in two of the courses with a project of their choice.

Program Satisfaction



98% would **recommend** the program to future students

91% said it **prepared** them for their job



Employment

73% employed as RDNs at program completion

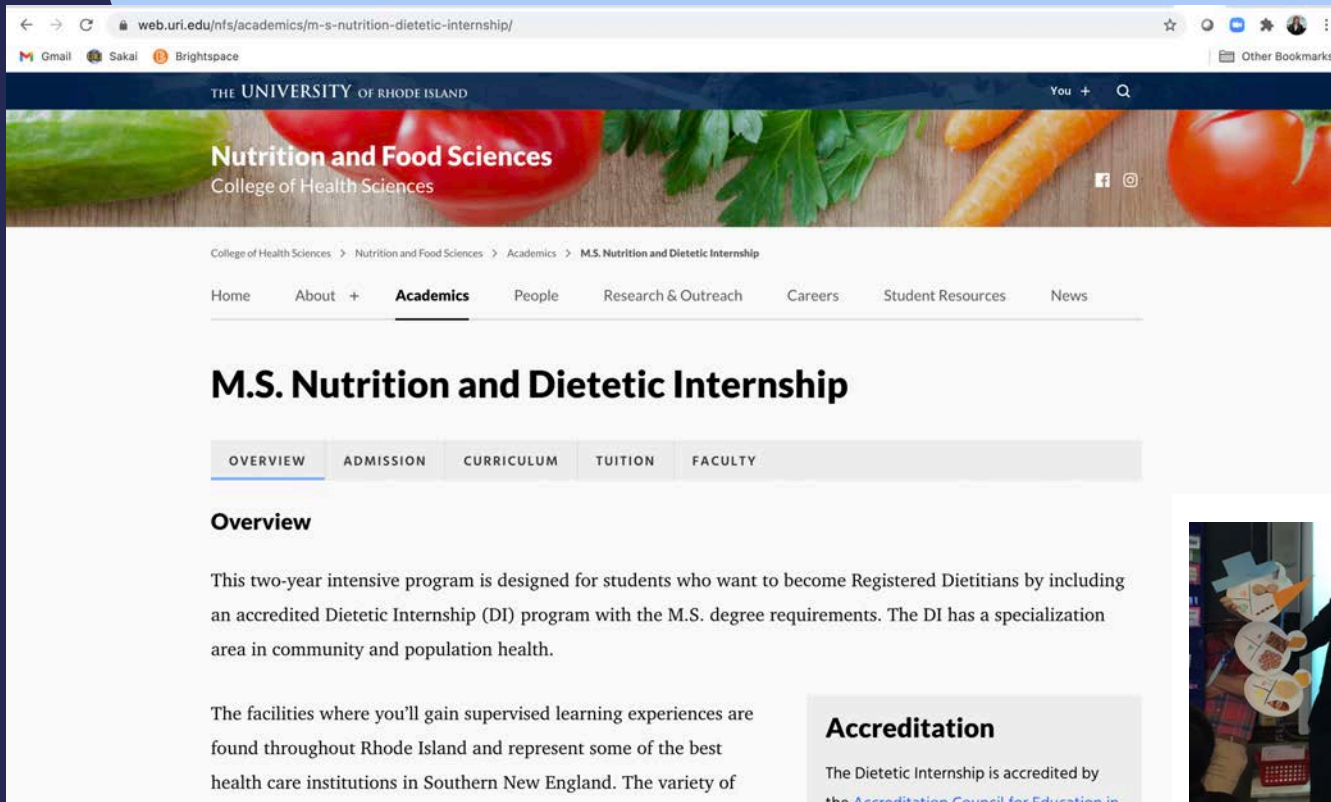


98% employed as RDNs 1 year after program completion



MS IN DIETETICS (100% ONLINE)

MS & DIETETIC INTERNSHIP



The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the page for the M.S. Nutrition and Dietetic Internship at the University of Rhode Island. The page features a navigation menu with 'Academics' selected, and a sub-menu with 'Overview', 'Admission', 'Curriculum', 'Tuition', and 'Faculty'. The 'Overview' section describes a two-year intensive program for students aiming to become Registered Dietitians. It also includes an 'Accreditation' section stating that the program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics.

web.uri.edu/nfs/academics/m-s-nutrition-dietetic-internship/

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M.S. Nutrition and Dietetic Internship

OVERVIEW ADMISSION CURRICULUM TUITION FACULTY

Overview

This two-year intensive program is designed for students who want to become Registered Dietitians by including an accredited Dietetic Internship (DI) program with the M.S. degree requirements. The DI has a specialization area in community and population health.

The facilities where you'll gain supervised learning experiences are found throughout Rhode Island and represent some of the best health care institutions in Southern New England. The variety of

Accreditation

The Dietetic Internship is accredited by the [Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics](#)



Dr. Geoff Greene,
Director of Dietetic Internship



Link to Virtual Open House:

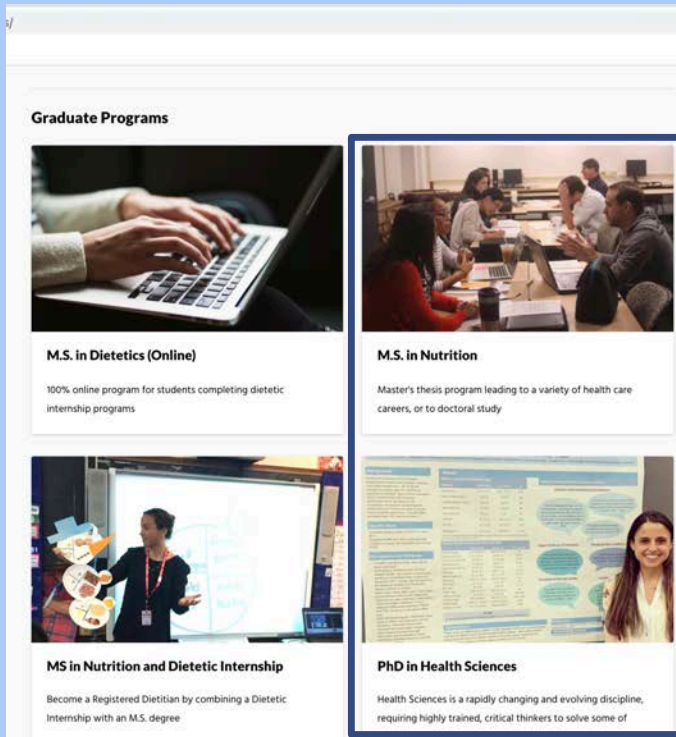
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HOW TO MS/PHD:

Visit our website!

<https://web.uri.edu/nfs/academics/>

1. Review NFS Graduate Program Offerings
2. Review NFS Graduate Faculty with Research Labs who are doing work you are interested in
3. Reach out to the professor to see if they are:
 1. Available to meet with you to discuss their research
 2. Have projects that you would be interested in / discuss your interests
 3. Accepting students – state what semester you would like to start
 4. Have funding (Research or Teaching)



Graduate Programs

M.S. in Dietetics (Online)
100% online program for students completing dietetic internship programs

M.S. in Nutrition
Master's thesis program leading to a variety of health care careers, or to doctoral study

MS in Nutrition and Dietetic Internship
Become a Registered Dietitian by combining a Dietetic Internship with an M.S. degree

PhD in Health Sciences
Health Sciences is a rapidly changing and evolving discipline, requiring highly trained, critical thinkers to solve some of



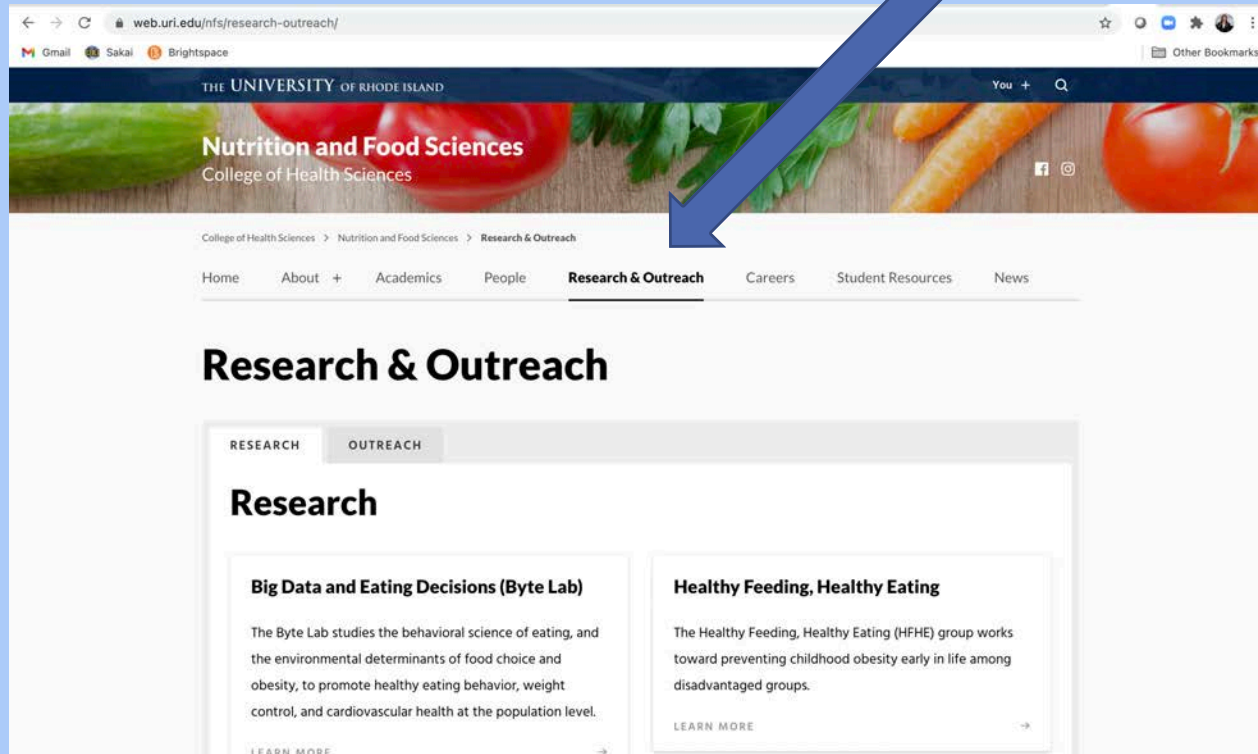
URI NUTRITION RESEARCH LABS

- **Big Data and Eating Disorders (BYTE) Lab**
- **Eating Behavior Lab**
- **Energy Balance Lab**
- **Healthy Eating, Healthy Feeding Lab**
- **Lipid Metabolism Lab**
- **Nutrition and Pregnancy Lab**
- **Nutrition and Physical Activity Promotion in Underserved Communities Research Group**
- **Rhode Island Public Education in Nutrition (RIPEN) Group**



HOW TO LEARN ABOUT OUR RESEARCH LABS

<https://web.uri.edu/nfs/research-outreach/>

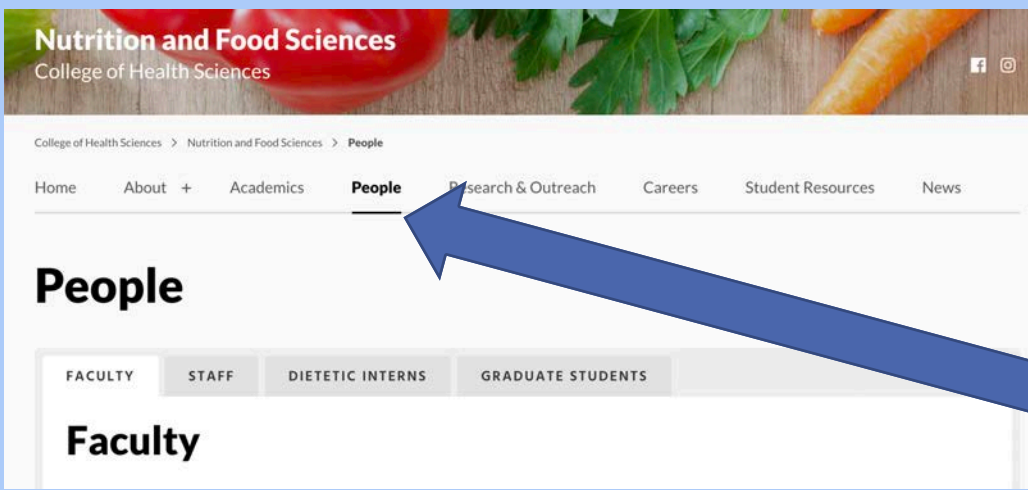


The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the website for the University of Rhode Island's Nutrition and Food Sciences department. The browser's address bar shows the URL <https://web.uri.edu/nfs/research-outreach/>. The website header includes the university name and a navigation menu with the following items: Home, About +, Academics, People, **Research & Outreach**, Careers, Student Resources, and News. A blue arrow points from the URL above to the 'Research & Outreach' link in the navigation menu. Below the navigation menu, the page title is 'Research & Outreach'. There are two tabs: 'RESEARCH' and 'OUTREACH'. Under the 'RESEARCH' tab, there are two featured research areas:

- Big Data and Eating Decisions (Byte Lab)**
The Byte Lab studies the behavioral science of eating, and the environmental determinants of food choice and obesity, to promote healthy eating behavior, weight control, and cardiovascular health at the population level.
[LEARN MORE](#) →
- Healthy Feeding, Healthy Eating**
The Healthy Feeding, Healthy Eating (HFHE) group works toward preventing childhood obesity early in life among disadvantaged groups.
[LEARN MORE](#) →

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APPLICATION PROCESS

- **Check Graduate School Program of Interest:**
 - **University Level**
 - **Department or Program Level**
 - **Potential Mentor**
- **Transcripts**
- **Personal Statement**
- **2-4 Letters of Recommendation**



Dr. Kathleen Melanson,
Graduate Program Director

URI Grad School Website

Dedicated to research, scholarship, and creative work

We are global thinkers with a real-world sensibility, offering part- and full-time programs of study to accommodate your schedule. Small classes, personalized programs and individual attention are the rule, not the exception. And 87 percent of URI faculty have doctoral or terminal degrees.

Research and field work opportunities abound at URI with many programs offering experiential learning at some of the country's leading companies. And URI's location offers you access to major cities and the Atlantic Ocean.

[FIND A PROGRAM](#)



About



Admission

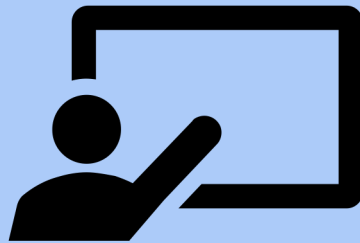


Academics



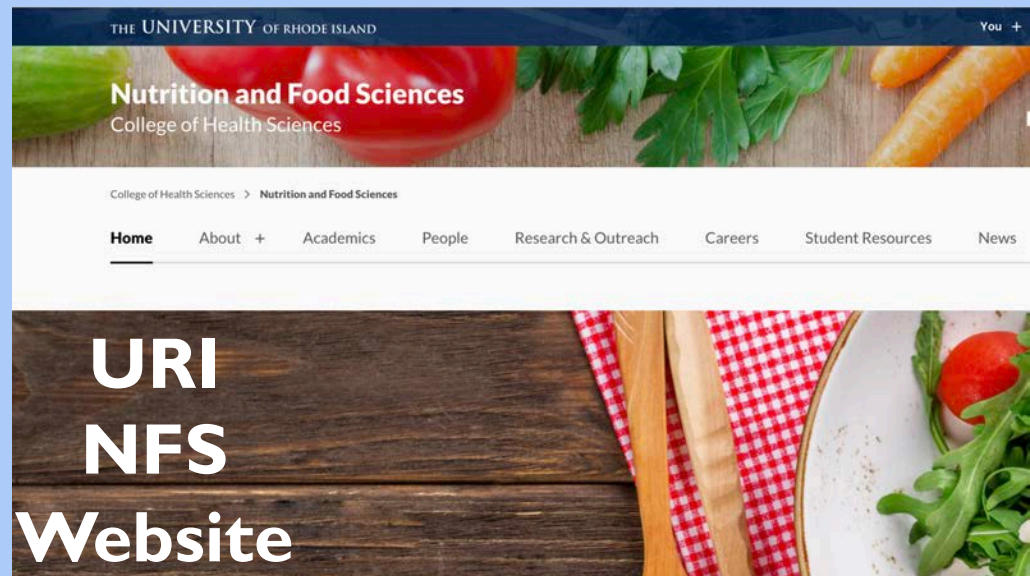
Funding

<https://web.uri.edu/graduate-school/>



The Faculty member
you are interested in
working with

Resources in the Application Process



URI NFS Website

<https://web.uri.edu/nfs/>



THANK YOU FOR INTEREST
IN OUR PROGRAMS!

QUESTIONS?

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