THE
UNIVERSITY
OF RHODE ISLAND

Appendix G

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Notice of Change form

Notice of Change for: BS in Nutrition and Dietetics / MS in Nutrition

Date: January 15, 2018

A. PROGRAM INFORMATION

1. **Name of institution**
   University of Rhode Island

2. **Name of department, division, school or college**

   Department: Nutrition and Food Sciences
   College: Health Sciences

3. **Intended initiation date of program change. Include anticipated date for granting first degrees or certificates, if appropriate.**

   Initiation date: Fall 2018
   First degree date: Spring 2020

4. **Intended location of the program**
   Kingston

5. **Summary description of proposed program (not to exceed 2 pages).**

   This proposal is for a new admission track to create a Consolidated BS-MS Program in Nutrition, allowing students to complete both the BS in Nutrition and Dietetics and the MS in Nutrition in five years. Students will complete all of the requirements of both degree programs, so it is not a new degree program. Students will graduate in December of their senior year with a BS degree and complete the MS degree in 3 additional semesters. The Department website will include information and advising plans to help students select the appropriate classes each semester to ensure completion within 5 years. These are two advising plans included in the proposal – one for students completing the Nutrition Option of the BS degree and one for students completing the Dietetics Option of the BS degree. This admission track will help us keep our high achieving undergraduate students an additional year and allow them to move forward in their careers more quickly and at a lower cost.

6. **If applicable, please include the existing URI catalog language and proposed catalog changes indicated in Track Changes.**

PROPOSED CATALOG LANGUAGE

CONSOLIDATED BS-MS PROGRAM IN NUTRITION

The Consolidated BS-MS Program in Nutrition allows students to complete a bachelors degree and a masters degree in 5 years. Students will complete their BS degree requirements and graduate by the end of the fall semester of their senior year, and then complete the MS degree requirements over the next 3 semesters. The BS degree requirements are the same as for students completing the degree over four years; the MS degree requirements are the same as for students completing the degree over two years. The MS degree program includes a thesis that allows the student to gain experience in the research process. Please see the department website for more information. https://web.uri.edu/nfs/

7. Signature of the President

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David M. Dooley

Website Description

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Students apply for the program in the Fall semester of their junior year and are notified of acceptance in the spring of the junior year. Students officially change from undergraduate students to graduate students after completion of the BS degree requirements and graduation at the end of Fall semester of senior year. Please see the 5-year advising plans for course selection.

To apply for the Consolidated BS-MS Program in Nutrition, students must have completed the following by the Fall semester of the junior year: CHM 103/105, CHM 124/126, BIO 121, BIO 242, and CMB 210 with a 3.0 GPA and no less than a C in any one class; NFS 210, NFS 212, NFS 394, and NFS 395 with a 3.2 GPA and no less than a C in any one class; and one semester of experience (NFS 491) in the future major professor's research laboratory. A letter of support for admission from the future major professor must be included as part of the application process. Students will be admitted to the MS degree contingent on meeting the MS in Nutrition admission requirements.

Consolidated BS-MS Advising Plan
Dietetics Option

Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer
First Year		
Composition (WRT 104) 3cr.	Communications (COM 100) 3cr.	No Classes
General Chemistry (CHM 103/105) 4cr.	Organic Chemistry (CHM 124/126) 4cr.	
Applied General Nutrition (NFS 210) 4cr.	Public Health Nutrition (NFS 212G) 3cr.	
Sociology (SOC 100) 3cr.	Intro to Nutrition/Dietetics (NFS 110) 1cr.	
Academic Success (URI 101) 1cr.	Psychology (PSY 113) 3cr.	
	General Education* 3cr.	
15cr.	17cr.	
Second Year		
Human Anatomy (BIO 121) 4cr.	Human Physiology (BIO 242) 3cr.	Free Elective 3cr.
Statistics (STA 220) 3cr.	Foodservice Management II (NFS 376) 4cr.	Free Elective 3cr.
Foodservice Management I (NFS 375) 3cr.	Nutrition in the Lifecycle II (NFS 395) 3cr.	
Nutrition in the Lifecycle I (NFS 395) 3cr.	General Education* 3cr.	
General Education* 3cr.	Free Elective 3cr.	
16cr.	16cr.	6cr.
Third Year		
Biochemistry (CMB 210) 3cr.	Microbiology (CMB 201) 4cr.	Free Elective 3cr.
Scientific Principles of Food I (NFS 336) 4cr.	Scientific Principles of Foods II (NFS 337) 4cr.	Free Elective 3cr.
Nutrition Assessment (NFS 443) 4cr.	Macronutrient Metabolism (NFS 440) 3cr.	
Supporting Elective (NFS 491) 3cr.	Nutrition and Disease (NFS 444) 3cr.	
14cr.	14cr.	6cr.

Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer
Fourth Year		
Professional Issues (NFS 410) 1cr. Micronutrient Nutrition (NFS 441) 3cr. Nutrition Education (NFS 458) 3cr. Management (BUS 341) 3cr. Supporting Elective 3cr. General Education* 3cr. 16cr.	Research Methods (NFS 505) 3cr. Seminar (NFS 512)** 1cr. Nutrient Metabolism I (NFS 554) 3cr. Statistics class 3cr. 9cr.	No Classes (Independent work required)
GRADUATE WITH BS DEGREE (120 Credits)	**BEGIN MS DEGREE**	
Fifth Year		
Community Nutrition (NFS 506) 3cr. Seminar (NFS 511) 1cr. Nutrient Metabolism (NFS 553) 3cr. Thesis Research (NFS 599) 3cr. 10cr.	Seminar (NFS 511) 1cr. Thesis Research (NFS 599) 3cr Elective 4cr. Elective 3cr. 11cr.	
	GRADUATE WITH MS DEGREE (30 Credits)	

*General Education: Required courses for the degree provide 28 of the 40 credits of General Education courses. You need to take a minimum of 12 additional credits in General Education courses and must cover the following areas: Humanities (A3), Arts & Design (A4), Civic Responsibilities (C1), and Global Responsibilities (C2).

*NFS 512 cannot be used for degree credit.

Grade Point Average: Students must earn a minimum of C in every required course and a 3.0 overall GPA in all required courses to graduate from the Dietetics Option.

Consolidated BS-MS Advising Plan
Nutrition Option

Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer
First Year		
Composition (WRT 104) 3cr.	Communications (COM 100) 3cr.	No Classes
General Chemistry (CHM 103/105) 4cr.	Organic Chemistry (CHM 124/126) 4cr.	
Applied General Nutrition (NFS 210) 4cr.	Public Health Nutrition (NFS 212G) 3cr.	
General Education* 3cr.	Intro to Nutrition/Dietetics (NFS 110) 1cr.	
Academic Success (URI 101) 1cr.	General Education* 3cr.	
	General Education* 3cr.	
15cr.	17cr.	
Second Year		
Human Anatomy (BIO 121) 4cr.	Human Physiology (BIO 242) 3cr.	Free Elective 3cr.
Statistics (STA 220) 3cr.	Nutrition in the Lifecycle II (NFS 395) 3cr.	Free Elective 3cr.
Food, Nutrition, & People (NFS 276G) 3cr.	Supporting Elective 3cr.	
Nutrition in the Lifecycle 1 (NFS 394) 3cr.	General Education* 3cr.	
Supporting Elective 3cr.	General Education* 3cr.	
16cr.	15cr.	6cr.
Third Year		
Biochemistry (CMB 210) 3cr.	Microbiology (CMB 201) 4cr.	Free Elective 3cr.
Scientific Principles of Food I (NFS 336) 4cr.	Macronutrient Metabolism (NFS 440) 3cr.	Free Elective 3cr.
Nutrition Track Course 3cr.	Nutrition Track Course 3cr.	
Supporting Elective (NFS 491) 3cr.	Supporting Elective 3cr.	
Supporting Elective 3cr.	Free Elective 3cr.	
16cr.	16cr.	6cr.

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	GRADUATE WITH MS DEGREE (30 Credits)	

*General Education: Required courses for the degree provide 24 of the 40 credits of General Education courses. You need to take a minimum of 16 additional credits in General Education courses and must cover the following areas: Humanities (A3), Arts & Design (A4), Civic Responsibilities (C1), and Global Responsibilities (C2).

**NFS 512 cannot be used for degree credit.

Grade Point Average: Students must earn a 2.5 minimum GPA in all required courses to graduate from the Nutrition Option.