

Registration Requirements

Requirement	How Applicant Demonstrates Meeting the Requirement
<p>1) Academic Preparation</p> <p>The applicant must have graduated from one of the following:</p> <p>a) An accredited Canadian university program in foods and nutrition that is accredited by <i>the Partnership for Dietetic Education and Practice</i></p> <p>b) A Canadian university program with completed subject areas assessed as equivalent to an accredited university program in foods and nutrition.</p>	<p>Completion of a Foods & Nutrition program accredited by the Partnership for Dietetic Education and Practice or the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Education equivalent to an Accredited Foods & Nutrition (Dietetics) Program</p> <p>If you graduated from a Foods & Nutrition program that is not accredited by the Partnership for Dietetic Education and Practice (PDEP) or the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND), you must have an assessment to determine if your education is equivalent.</p> <p>There are two options for assessing equivalence of your education:</p> <p>1. The Competency Assessment - The competency assessment is designed to directly assess your knowledge and competence against the Canadian national standards. This option is the preferred option because it allows the College to recognize all of your knowledge and skills, regardless of whether they are acquired in a formal education program or through work or other experience.</p> <p>2. The second option is a Credential Assessment – the credential assessment is designed to compare the content of your degree(s) to the Canadian national standards. Assessments through this option look only at the content of your degree(s) and are not able to consider knowledge and skills that you may have developed through years of practice or continuing education.</p> <p>The College will assess the content of your courses to make sure that they substantially match the foundational knowledge and the academic performance indicators outlined in the national standards. This includes course content related to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Anatomy and Physiology

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Biochemistry ○ Communication ○ Counselling ○ Food ○ Food Service Systems ○ Health System in Canada ○ Human Nutrition across the lifespan ○ Interprofessional Collaboration ○ Management ○ Microbiology ○ Nutrition Assessment ○ Nutrition Care Process and Medical Nutrition Therapy ○ Pharmacology ○ Population Food Systems and Food Security ○ Professional Practice in Dietetics ○ Population and Public Health ○ Research and Evaluation ○ Social and Psychological Foundations ○ Teaching and Learning
<p>2) Practical training</p> <p>The applicant must have successfully completed one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An internship program or practicum in Canada that is accredited by the Partnership for Dietetic Education and Practice • An internship program or practicum outside Canada that Council or a panel of the Registration Committee considers equivalent to a Canadian accredited program. • Successful completion of a graduate degree acceptable to the College Council; or • Successful completion of a program of practical 	<p>Completion of an Internship or practicum program or a graduate program that is accredited by the Partnership for Dietetic Education and Practice</p> <p><u>OR</u></p> <p>Completion of an internship or practicum program that is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics, or an Accredited Practising Dietitian (APD) in good standing with the Dietitians Association of Australia</p> <p>Or</p> <p>If you completed a practical training program that is not Canadian accredited or the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND), you must have an assessment to determine if your education is equivalent.</p>

<p>experience that, in the opinion of Council, is equivalent to a Canadian accredited internship or practicum program.</p>	<p>There are two options for assessing equivalence of your practical training:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Competency Assessment - The competency assessment is designed to directly assess your knowledge and competence against the Canadian national standards. This option is the preferred option because it allows the college to recognize all of your knowledge and skills, regardless of whether they were acquired in a formal education program or through work or other experience. 2. The second option is a Credential Assessment – the credential assessment is designed to compare the content of your formal practical training to the Canadian national standards. Assessments through this option look only at the content of your formal practicum program or internship(s) you completed and are not able to consider knowledge and skills that you may have developed through years of practice or continuing education. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you choose the credential assessment route, the program will be evaluated to determine whether it is equivalent to an accredited program. You must have the program send information directly to the College about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the length of the program; ○ the types of experiences; ○ the evaluation process; ○ who supervises and evaluates the students (i.e. are they registered dietitians); ○ what standards or competencies are used to develop or guide the program.
<p>3) Language Proficiency in English or French</p>	<p>All applicants must demonstrate ability to read, write, speak and understand English or French.</p> <p>You are required to complete a language test if your language of instruction was not English or French.</p> <p>The following language testing agencies are accepted by the College:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TOEFL Internet Base (iBT)– Test of English as a Foreign Language http://www.ets.org/toefl 2. IELTS – International English Language Testing System http://www.ielts.org/

3. CanTest for French Proficiency
<http://www.cantest.uottawa.ca/>

The College also accepts completion of the **Internationally Educated Dietitians Pre-registration Program - Ryerson University** to satisfy this requirement.

Minimum Acceptable Scores Are As Follows:

1. Internet Based Test of English as a Foreign Language (iBT) and International English Language Testing System (IELTS)

Component	Internet TOEFL (iBT)	IELTS
Listening	15	6
Writing	13	5
Reading	15	6
Speaking	26	8
Total	80	6.5

2. **CanTEST** for French Proficiency

- Score of 4.5 in Listening and Reading and
- Score of Band 4.0 in Writing and
- Score of 4.5 in an interview test which confirms speaking performance

4) Competent and Ethical Conduct

The College must be satisfied that the applicant will practise dietetics in a safe and ethical manner.

The College will consider any current or past history of convictions, misconduct, incompetence, incapacity, or professional negligence or misconduct.

Please contact the College if you have any questions about how the College will assess an applicant's ability to practise safely and ethically.

<p>5) Current Dietetic Knowledge and Competence</p>	<p>There are several options for applicants to demonstrate current knowledge and competence:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Completing your education and training within the 3 years before applying to the College; or 2. If you have been registered as a dietitian in another jurisdiction and you have practiced safely in that jurisdiction within the past three years or 3. Completing the Canadian Dietetic Registration Examination, if it has been more than three years since you completed your education and training, or since you have practiced as a dietitian in another jurisdiction (this option is only available if the gap since you graduated or have practiced is between 3-10 years), or 4. Competing upgrading activities guided by the national competency standards (click here for more information)
<p>6) Eligible to work in Canada</p>	<p>Applicants who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents must provide proof that they are authorized under the <i>Immigration Act</i> to work in Canada.</p>
<p>7) Canadian Dietetic Registration Examination (Registration Exam)</p>	<p>The applicant must pass the Canadian Dietetic Registration Examination or have been registered with a Canadian dietetic regulatory body continuously since October 1998.</p>

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