The Pre-Dietetics designation allows you to continue exploring various majors by selecting multidisciplinary General Education classes with a focus on coursework/pre-requisites that can prepare you to apply for admissions into the Bachelor of Science Dietetics program, should you determine that this major is most appropriate for your skills, interests and career goals.

Pre-Dietetics  Intended for Freshmen Fall 2015

Services offered

- Academic Advising and Personal Counseling
- Major Exploration
- Career Preparation and Planning
- GE Advising
- Academic Probation Advising
- Petition Consultation
- Major Application Help

CHSS Student Resource Center

HSS 239/254
srccenter@sfsu.edu
(415) 405-3533
chss.sfsu.edu/src

Impaction

Dietetics is an impacted program meaning there are more students wanting the major than there is capacity. Thus freshmen and sophomores interested in the Dietetics program should consider declaring Pre-Dietetics. However, this does not mean that your major is now Dietetics nor does this designation guarantee or increase your chances of acceptance into the major. It may make you eligible to receive news and updates from the department and the college regarding the program.

About the Major

(Taken from Bulletin)

The undergraduate degree in Dietetics is an accredited Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) and meets the Eligibility Requirements and Accreditation Standards of the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutritional Education of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. The program prepares students for careers in clinical dietetics, foodservice systems management, and nutrition education in hospitals, industry, or government agencies. Most positions require an R.D. (Registered Dietitian).

To become a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (R.D.N.) one must: 1) complete the B.S. in Dietetics, 2) complete a Dietetic Internship, 3) pass the R.D. exam. To become a Dietetic Technician, Registered Nutritionist (D.T.R.N.) one must: 1) complete the B.S. in Dietetics, 2) complete the D.T.R.N. eligibility application, 3) pass the D.T.R.N. exam.

Application Information

Students are required to submit a supplemental application for admission into the undergraduate Dietetics program. Current students must apply during a specific time frame, typically in the first few weeks of January. Please refer to this link for the supplemental application and updated deadlines: http://cfsd.sfsu.edu/programs

Current students are eligible to apply as long as they meet these minimum criteria:

- Upper Division Status (60 unit by end of Spring after applying)
- Minimum of 2.5 overall and pre-requisite GPA
- Successful completion or in progress of all pre-requisite courses (end of Spring after applying)
- Submit correctly and a fully completed supplemental application by the department deadline
General Education Areas Potentially Met by Courses in this Major

Successfully completing the Dietetics curriculum would also mean that you have met the requirements for all of AREA B, AREA D1 and AREA E in your lower division General Education requirements.

Adding, Dropping and Withdrawing from Classes after Start of Semester

Please be aware of all deadlines. You may add courses via your Gateway until before the first day of instruction, provided there is space available. Once classes start, you will need permission numbers from your instructor to add classes via Gateway.

Dropping courses via your Gateway without it noted on your official records must occur within the first two weeks of each semester. After this two-week period, you are no longer allowed to drop courses via your Gateway. You must have a serious and compelling reason to withdraw from a course and submit a petition with objective supporting documentation. If approved, a “W” will appear on your transcript. All withdrawal petitions that lack serious and compelling reasons and/or viable supporting documentation will be denied within the College of Health and Social Sciences. Be conscientious about withdrawing from classes as you are allowed a maximum of 18 units for withdrawal and W’s on your transcript can reflect poorly. Also keep in mind that you are only allowed to repeat a course once for a maximum of two times. Lastly, it is ALWAYS the student’s responsibility to ensure that they are in the appropriate classes – always check your schedule!

RESOURCES: SFSU Dietetics: BH 329  |  cfds@sfsu.edu  |  (415) 338 1219  
             cfds.sfsu.edu  
ASSIST: www.assist.org

To find out more about this major set up an appointment with your SRC advisor by calling (415) 405-3533 or emailing srccenter@sfsu.edu