

Dietetic Internship: Practice Experiences

The Benedictine University Dietetic Internship (DI) is designed to meet or exceed each of the Standards and Competencies for the DI Program, as established by Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. This practice experience provides at least 1200 hours of supervised field placement in community education, health care, and management organizations. There is a Community Nutrition/Public Health Nutrition Emphasis.



The sites include both traditional and non-traditional sites, located throughout the Chicago metropolitan area, including the Western suburbs.

Some examples include:

- Medical centers (e.g., hospitals and clinics)
- Long-term/ Sub-acute care facilities
- Retirement communities
- Food and Nutrition Services Management facilities
- Benedictine University Healthy Table outpatient nutrition education facility
- Elementary, junior high, and secondary schools
- Villa St. Benedict
- County public health clinics and programs (e.g., Women Infant and Children program)
- Home Delivered and Congregate Meal program
- Other community facilities (e.g., soup kitchens, food banks)