- ► Are you intrigued by the impact of nutrition on obesity and chronic diseases?
- ► Are you a critical thinker with an interest in research?
- ► Are you eager to improve the well-being of your community?









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### DIETETIC **INTERNSHIP**







# A VARIETY OF HEALTH CARE EXPERIENCES JUMP-START SUCCESSFUL DIETITIAN CAREERS

Jointly sponsored by University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) and the Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System (CAVHS), this is Arkansas' only accredited\* dietetic internship program based at an academic medical institution. This unique setting provides a rich learning environment with numerous interprofessional education opportunities throughout the curriculum.

With a well-established track record of effectively training students, our dietetic internship program attracts competitive applicants from around the country.

Successful graduates earn a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate.



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## Dietitians Translate the Science of Nutrition into Practical Advice for Individuals and Communities

Dietetic Interns learn to:

- Implement the nutrition care process and provide dietary and lifestyle modification counseling so that individuals and communities get and stay healthy.
- Interact with experienced preceptors, physicians and other medical professionals while engaging in administrative and clinical rotations.
- Apply dietetic practice management principles, including budget development, staffing needs analysis and implementation of process improvement initiatives.
- Practice in specialty areas such as pediatrics, diabetes, oncology and nutrition support.

#### A Proven Program Producing Stellar Graduates

- This full-time, 40-week program (August-May) has a concentration in Medical Nutrition Therapy and Management in Dietetic Practice.
- Students train in multiple facilities, including UAMS, the Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System and Arkansas Children's Hospital.
- The program offers administrative training in one of the largest VA Nutrition and Food Service Departments in the nation.

- Community training facilities include the Arkansas Department of Health, UAMS Head Start and UA Cooperative Extension.
- Students have opportunities to engage in a variety of activities at an academic medical center with faculty and students from other health professions.
- Our five-year average pass rate on the Registered Dietitian exam is greater than 95 percent.

#### **Excellent Career Opportunities Await Dietitians**

- Factors that are increasing demand for dietitians include an aging population, increased prevalence of certain conditions (including obesity), growth in the food industry and the role of preventive care that has become a priority in today's health care system.
- Job placement in the dietetic field for UAMS graduates is more than 95 percent.

 Dietitians can work in a number of areas including food service, health care and government as well as in a variety of settings such as academics, research, clinical and private practice.

#### Master of Science in Clinical Nutrition (MSCN)

Graduates of the Dietetic Internship program can take their career to the next level by obtaining a graduate degree. By 2024, a master's degree will be required to sit for the Examination for Registered Dietitians. Now is the perfect time to set yourself apart. The MSCN program is ideal for the practicing professional: Most of the coursework is online. Choose between full-time (2-3 years) and part-time (up to 5 years) study. Twelve hours of Dietetic Internship graduate credit applies to the UAMS MSCN program.