

## Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics

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## Dietetic Internship Match Students

The Dietetic Inclusive Centralized Application Services (DICAS) is a web-based application service That simplifies and streamlines the dietetics application process by allowing applicants to apply to multiple programs with one application. The Academy contracts with a company called D&D Digital to operate the DI Match and help applicants obtain an internship (supervised practice position).

If you have completed a minimum of a graduate degree at a US regionally accredited university or college and course work accredited by ACEND, you are eligible to participate in the Dietetic Internship Match:

- Complete an application for the internship through the Dietetic Internship Central Application Service. There is no limit on the number of DI programs that students can apply to through DICAS. However, each program must be prioritized during the next stage of the process. If the DI program you are interested in does not appear in the DICAS, check the DI program's website for directions on how to apply or contact the DI program director.
- Register for the DI match through [D & D Digital](#). This step allows you to create, edit and verify the priorities for your choices of internships. Some programs do not participate in the match. This is because they only accept applications from students who are employed by that sponsoring institution.

Through the DICAS, program directors can access applications from interested applicants; however, they cannot see the information about the priorities of the choices. The programs only see the application from applicants who applied to their programs. The program director and other staff from each Dietetic Internship program screen applications and submit rankings for acceptable applicants, as well as indicating their maximum class size.

**Contact Information.** If you have questions about the centralized application, please contact DICAS customer support at 617/612-2855 or [dicasinfo@dicas.org](mailto:dicasinfo@dicas.org).

- If you need assistance with the central computer matching, please contact D&D Digital customer support at 515/292-0490 or [dnd@sigler.com](mailto:dnd@sigler.com).

## **Applicant Code of Conduct and Traffic Rules**

As future dietitian nutritionist professional, it is expected that applicants follow the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics' Code of Ethics for RDNs and NDTRs @ [Code of Ethics](#) so developed the Conduct and Traffic Rules that are specific to the application process and are posted here [Application Process for Students](#) All applicants must follow these traffic rules, even when applying to programs not using DICAS. Once you decide to accept your program of choice, you MUST email the programs that offered you acceptance to inform them of your decision. Some programs may require you to pay a deposit to reserve your spot. In the event of a change in circumstances that necessitate you backing out from the program where you accepted the offer, you MUST notify this program of your decision to withdraw your previous acceptance before you accept the new program. In these instances, anticipate that any deposit you paid may not be reimbursed.

## **Open House Listings**

This resource is being made available through Nutrition and Dietetic Educators and Preceptors (NDEP). These listings will provide you with information regarding open houses being hosted by accredited dietetic internships and coordinated programs to provide supervised opportunities and training for achievement of required competencies. View [About Accredited Programs](#) to access more about individual ACEND accredited programs.

If you have questions specific to any of the open houses, please direct them to the contact person designated on the listing.

## **Videos and Resources**

- [Applicant Information Handout \(includes Q&A\)](#)
- [Code of Conduct and Traffic Rules](#)
- [Applicant Training Video](#)
- [Applicant Help Center](#)
- [DICAS Cycle Applicant Tips](#)

## **Find-a-Preceptor Database**

The Find-a-Preceptor Database allows program directors and students to search for a preceptor within a certain geographical or specialty area.

- [Visit the Find-a-Preceptor Database](#)