

STANDARD 4: MISSION OF THE PROGRAM

The mission of the Coordinated Program in Dietetics is four-fold:

- To prepare candidates for success in the Supervised Practice component of the program in order to successfully pass the Registered Dietitian exam
- To prepare graduates who possess the competencies necessary for gainful employment as entry-level dietetics practitioners;
- To prepare graduates who possess the academic preparation to address the interdependence of human nutrition/dietetics/food with the well-being and health-related behaviors of individuals and families; and,
- To prepare graduates who have a general foundation in clinical nutrition and dietetics

The Coordinated Program in Dietetics' educational emphasis is medical nutrition therapy, especially as it relates to nutrition and chronic diseases, which affect a disproportionate segment of Alabama's residents, and particularly those who live in the community.

This mission is addressed within a Kinesiology Program and in a liberal arts university.