

Nutrition and Dietetics Concentration (Didactic Program in Dietetics)

PROGRAM POLICIES Student Performance Standards and Procedures

FORMAL ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT LEARNING AND REGULAR REPORTS OF PERFORMANCE AND PROGRESS

Formal assessment of student learning and regular reports of performance and progress are provided by the University's warning system, individual faculty e-mails, and meeting with the students during a regularly scheduled advising and registration period during the semester. Final grades for courses are posted online at secure websites by the Registrar's Office. These procedures apply to all students in the Food and Nutrition Department.

Students in the Nutrition and Dietetics concentration must maintain an overall GPA of > 2.70 and a GPA of > 2.50 composed of these six science courses:

- BIOL 130 Principles of Biology or equivalent
- BIOL 235 Principles of Human Physiology, BIOL 333 Human Physiology, or equivalent
- CHEM 107 Principles of Chemistry or equivalent
- CHEM 108 Chemistry and Quantitative Analysis or equivalent
- CHEM 207 Organic Chemistry or equivalent
- CHEM 301 Biochemistry or equivalent

Also, students must earn a C- or greater in all nutrition, chemistry, and biology courses. Failure to maintain the minimum overall and science GPA, and failure to earn a C- or greater in all nutrition, chemistry, and biology courses, will result in dismissal from the program. A student may retake the courses for which a grade of lower than C- was received, and reapply to the program the following semester.

FSU Academic Information, Policies and Regulations concerning Academic Suspension/Dismissal: Academic regulations concerning academic suspension/dismissal are found on page 51 of the 2021-2022 Framingham State University undergraduate catalogue, and can be accessed at <https://www.framingham.edu/academics/catalogs/index>.

RETENTION AND REMEDIATION PROCEDURE

Per university policy, all faculty members from all departments submit midterm warnings to the Registrar's Office. The Registrar sends the warnings to the students. If a student receives a midterm warning, it goes into his/her "degree works" audit. The advisor checks this audit each semester, and talks to the student during the subsequent registration and advisement period about the options of receiving tutoring through the Center for Academic Support and Achievement (CASA) to raise the grade, or dropping the course and retaking it during the summer or the following semester.

If a student does not meet the minimum overall or science GPA to remain in the Nutrition and Dietetics concentration (DPD), the student is given the option to switch to the Health and Wellness major or to another major. Students must maintain a 2.70 overall GPA and a 2.5 science GPA. If a student falls below these standards, the advisor, who checks the GPAs each semester, will send the student to the DPD Director, who will meet with the student to advise and create a plan for the student's progress.

Ultimately if these standards are not met, the student will be dismissed from the Nutrition and Dietetics concentration.