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Recency of Education Policy

The Idaho State University MS/DI requires that interns have a current foundational knowledge of dietetics. The Recency of Education policy outlines the requirements for all prospective applicants to the MS/DI.

Applicants must have a Verification Statement that is no more than four years old at the time of application. If a prospective applicant's DPD Verification Statement is older than four years at the time of application, the applicant can update coursework to meet recency requirements. The guidelines are below.

Updated coursework criteria:

DPD Verification Statement four – six years old at time of application:

Medical Nutrition Therapy or Clinical Nutrition – 6 credits

DPD Verification Statement older than six years at time of application:

- Medical Nutrition Therapy or Clinical Nutrition 6 credits
- Nutritional Biochemistry or Nutrient Metabolism 3 credits
- Foodservice Systems Management 3 credits
- Community/Public Health 3 credits

Documentation of the updated coursework must be included in the DICAS application. In some cases, work experience in Foodservice Management may be counted in place of coursework. Please see the program's Credit for Prior Learning policy for more information.

Options for Updating Coursework

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics provides a listing for all accredited dietetic programs in the United States. The MS/DI encourages prospective applicants to contact the DPD program that issued their original DPD Verification Statement for additional information on updating required coursework.

Prospective applicants with updated coursework should contact the MS/DI director to discuss their application prior to the application deadline.