AGREEMENT BETWEEN
SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY &
SANFORD SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
SOUTH DAKOTA, CENTER FOR DISABILITIES,
DIETETIC INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Agreement between South Dakota State University (SDSU) and Sanford School of Medicine of The University of South Dakota (USD), Center for Disabilities, Dietetic Internship Program.

The Dietetic Internship (DI) Program offered through the Center for Disabilities has been granted Accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education (CADE) of the American Dietetic Association, 120 South Riverside Plaza, Chicago, IL 60606, (800) 877-1600. The DI program includes requirements for supervised practice experiences, post-baccalaureate coursework, and a research project. Completion of the dietetic internship meets the requirements for eligibility of dietitians to write the registration examinations.

An articulation agreement between the Center for Disabilities at the Sanford School of Medicine of The University of South Dakota and South Dakota State University will allow for cooperation in the education of masters and doctoral level students, working as trainees at the Center for Disabilities while completing their dietetic internship.

South Dakota State University and The University of South Dakota each recognize the independent nature of the separate programs at each institution, and that both are under the governance of the South Dakota Board of Regents. For reasons of mutual benefit they desire to engage in formal affiliation regarding the education of graduate level students in nutrition.

The Center for Disabilities/Dietetic Internship Program/USD and the Department of Health and Nutritional Sciences at SDSU would like to update and continue the formal affiliation agreement for the Master of Science in Nutritional Sciences, Master of Science in Dietetics, and Doctor of Philosophy in Nutritional Sciences. This affiliation will reduce the likelihood of duplication of programs and will help ensure that students accepted into the Dietetic Internship Program will have an opportunity to be enrolled in a post-baccalaureate program in nutrition at SDSU and also have the opportunity for completion of the CADE accredited dietetic internship.

Through this agreement, SDSU agrees to accept Dietetic Internship Program students, who meet SDSU Graduate School admission standards, into an approved graduate program at SDSU. Normal university/graduate school standards for admission, transfer credit and student classification would not change. (A student will be required to be considered as a full time student at SDSU.) To meet the experiential component, the student will be expected to complete 24 hours/week of supervised practice experiences under the direction of the Dietetic Internship
Program. Required courses will be FAMP 595 Nutrition for Special Needs Populations (2 credits) and FAMP 540 Interdisciplinary Health Care Teams (3 credits), both taken in during fall semesters. Additional FAMP courses may be taken to allow credit for clinical experiences and leadership seminars.

The Graduate Advisory Committee will consist of a minimum of four graduate faculty members and may include representation from the Center for Disabilities/USD and SDSU in addition to meeting the requirements of the Graduate School at SDSU.

Based on eligibility, Center for Disabilities dietetic interns may participate in other training programs and training grants operated by the Center for Disabilities. Financial assistance in the form of trainee stipends may be provided by the Center for Disabilities for graduate students who qualify for a training program. Consistent with the Board of Regents policies, students meeting the minimum assistantship guidelines will receive reduced tuition. During this time, students will be required to be a full-time student at SDSU and complete research, clinical and didactic responsibilities above and beyond the Dietetic Internship and SDSU graduate program requirements. Funding of graduate student trainees is dependent on the availability of grant funding. USD/Center for Disabilities will administer the grant and student payment details.

This agreement will be reviewed by the Executive Director, Academic Training Director and the Dietetic Internship/Nutrition Program Director of the Center for Disabilities/USD, and the Head of the Health and Nutritional Sciences Department/SDSU on an annual basis. In the event that either party wishes to cancel the agreement, formal notification should be given at least 90 days before the end of the current fiscal year.
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The University of South Dakota, Sanford School of Medicine & Health Sciences,
Center for Disabilities, Dietetic Internship Program

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