### PROGRAM RULES



#### **Master of Dietetics Studies**

#### 1 Definitions

In these rules—

advanced level means a course at level 2 or higher.

**relevant program** means the bachelor of exercise and nutrition sciences or the bachelor of health sciences (with a major in nutrition) program at this university.

**sequence of study** means to a progressive completion of courses, demonstrating increased learning and understanding.

# 2 Enrolment requirements

## 2.1 Eligibility

- (a) Subject to rule 2.3, to be considered for enrolment in the program, an applicant must—
  - (i) hold an approved degree; and
  - (ii) gain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 4 in the most recently completed bachelor degree; and
  - (iii) have completed the following prerequisite studies at bachelor level (or higher) with a minimum grade of 4 within the 10 year period immediately preceding the proposed date of commencement—
    - (A) 4 units in each of public health nutrition and nutrition science at advanced level; and
    - (B) 8 units in human physiology/biology demonstrating a sequence of study, which includes 4 units in human physiology at advanced level; and
    - (C) 2 units in each of research methods (including statistical component), behavioural science and food sciences of commodities; and
    - (D) 8 units in chemistry and biochemistry demonstrating a sequence of study, which includes 4 units of biochemistry at advanced level.
- (b) For the purpose of rule 2.1(a)(i), an applicant whose approved degree was awarded more than 10 years prior to program commencement will not be considered unless the applicant within the last 10 years has—
  - (i) completed a postgraduate program; or
  - (ii) completed at least one semester of other tertiary study approved by the executive dean.

#### 2.2 Selection

- (a) Selection will be based on GPA calculated in accordance with <u>PPL 3.10.07 Grading System.</u>
- (b) If an applicant has results pending in the semester of application, these results must not be included in the calculation of the GPA.

## 2.3 Quotas

- (a) The head of school may set an annual quota for the program.
- (b) Places in the quota will be offered to students who satisfy the enrolment requirements based on merit as demonstrated by academic achievement.

## 3 Provisional entry for domestic applicants

### 3.1 Enrolment requirements

- (a) Domestic applicants must apply through QTAC.
- (b) The University will set an annual quota for provisional entry applicants.

- (c) Selection for a provisional place will be in accordance with PPL 3.40.06 Undergraduate, Non-Award and CSP Admissions as they relate to the program in rule 3.1(d)(i).
- (d) An offer is conditional upon the applicant—
  - (i) gaining admission into the relevant program; and
  - (ii) completing the relevant program in rule 3.1(d)(i) in the minimum time permitted; and
  - (iii) successfully completing the prerequisite courses for the MDietSt program as specified by the executive dean under rule 2.1(a)(iii); and
  - (iv) obtaining an annual GPA of 5 in the relevant program.

#### 3.2 Deferment

- (a) An applicant may defer the provisional place in accordance with the provisions of <u>PPL</u> 3.40.06 Undergraduate, Non-Award and CSP Admissions.
- (b) The university may withdraw an offer if the applicant fails to enrol in the MDietSt program in the year following completion of the relevant program.
- (c) Despite rule 3.2(b), an applicant may apply to the head of school to defer the offer for one year to complete honours in the relevant program.

## 4 Program requirements

To complete the program, a student must complete 24 units from the MDietSt course list.

## 5 Special rules

### 5.1 Continuous enrolment

Unless approved by the executive dean, a student must undertake the program without interruption.

## 5.2 Exclusion

A student who fails the same course twice will be excluded from the program.

#### 5.3 Immunisation schedule

- (a) Before commencing the program, the student must complete a schedule of immunisations approved by the executive dean.
- (b) The requirement under rule 5.3(a) may be waived only if—
  - (i) the student provides evidence of his or her status with respect to immunity against blood-borne viruses or other diseases prescribed in the schedule; or
  - (ii) approved by the executive dean.

#### 5.4 Blue card

Before commencing the program, the student must obtain a blue card and thereafter hold a current blue card for the duration of the program.