MSC (HUMAN NUTRITION AND DIETETICS)

Programme Learning Outcomes

Programme Learning Outcomes for MSc (Human Nutrition and Dietetics) (NFQ Level 9, Major Award)

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Apply a critical understanding and be proficient in the skills required for safe and effective dietetic practice as specified by the Dietitians Registration Board (CORU) and the Irish Nutrition and Dietetics Institute (INDI);
- Demonstrate the professional attributes, leadership, academic and clinical skills required to undertake evidence based competent practice across a variety of clinical settings;
- Integrate the research evidence, theory and principles from biological, clinical, nutritional and social sciences with practical application; to competently assess and identify nutritional related problems and determine dietetic interventions, including medical nutritional therapy, disease prevention and health promotion;
- Apply in-depth knowledge and critical understanding of key clinical and professional issues in the practice of dietetics;
- Demonstrate the ability to evaluate and identify ways in which clinical dietetic services may be enhanced through critical analysis of audit, clinical and academic evidence;
- Articulate reflective practice in the acquisition of knowledge and skills related to own dietetic practice and career development;
- Evidence a self-reflective approach to professional practice decision making and be responsive to the needs of service users;
- Acquire the relevant skills to engage in research and clinical audit and demonstrate advancement of research skills leading to the completion of a research dissertation.