

FNUT 4895 - DPD Capstone

Fall 2026 Syllabus, Section 01, CRN 41238,

Credit hours: 3

Instructor

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Course Description

4895. DPD Capstone. Application of dietetics principles learned in the classroom to situations in clinical, food service-management, and community settings. Provides opportunities for communication with diverse groups, critical thinking, and problem solving. Emphasis on case-study presentations of current issues and trends in the field. One (1) hour lecture and six (6) hours of laboratory per week. Prereq.: FNUT 4858, FNUT 4860, FNUT 4874 or concurrent, and HMEC 4890 or concurrent. 3 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Required	Public Policy/Advocacy	National Institutes of Health	N/A
Required	Position Papers	Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics	N/A
Required	Governance	Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics	N/A
Required	Cultural Context for Nutrition	National Library of Medicine	N/A
Required	Standards of Practice	Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics	N/A
Required	Salary Negotiation Toolkit	Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics	N/A
Required	Mentoring for Quality Management	Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics	N/A
Required	Billing and Coding	Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics	N/A

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC9991765/>

<https://www.eatrightpro.org/practice/guidelines-and-positions/academy-positions>

<https://www.eatrightpro.org/leadership/governance/how-we-lead>

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC7727853/>

<https://www.eatrightpro.org/practice/practice-competence/scope-and-standards-of-practice>

<https://www.eatrightpro.org/ndep/ndep-member-resources/ndep-webinars-and-documents/salary-negotiation-toolkit>

<https://www.eatrightpro.org/practice/quality-care/quality-management/mentorship-for-quality-in-nutrition-and-dietetics-program>

<https://www.eatrightpro.org/career/payment/coding-and-billing>

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Schedule by Week

Week of	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
8/24	Review Syllabus; Manual; rotations; Introduction	Print Syllabus; prepare questions
8/31	Public Policy; Advocacy	https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC9991765/
9/7	Holiday –Labor Day	
9/14	Career Preparedness	Guest Speaker: Chris Santangelo Public Policy and Dietetics Impact Reflection Due
9/21	AND Position Papers	https://www.eatrightpro.org/practice/guidelines-and-positions/academy-positions
9/28	AND Governance	https://www.eatrightpro.org/leadership/governance/how-we-lead AND Governance Reflection Due
10/5	Cultural context in Nutrition	https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC7727853/
10/12	Standards of Practice	https://www.eatrightpro.org/practice/practice-competence/scope-and-standards-of-practice
10/19	Negotiation	Stanford U. Clayman Institute https://www.eatrightpro.org/ndep/ndep-member-resources/ndep-webinars-and-documents/salary-negotiation-toolkit Health Care Delivery Reflection Due
10/26	Inter-professional Education/Interactions; Other	
11/2	Internships; DTR credential, etc. etc.-Tentative	Guest Speaker: Dr. Rowlands
11/9	Evidence Analysis Library	See Link/Info https://www.anddeal.org/ Conflict Resolution Reflection Due
11/16	Mentoring; Billing and Coding	https://www.eatrightpro.org/practice/quality-care/quality-management/mentorship-for-quality-in-nutrition-and-dietetics-program https://www.eatrightpro.org/career/payment/coding-and-billing
11/23	Current Trends	Faith Popcorn; OBCA; other Mentoring Reflection Due
11/30	Presentations of Project/Paper to the class	Rubric on Blackboard Paper Due
12/7	Make Individual Appointment with Instructor	Schedule Individually with Instructor Completed Manual Due EAL Certificate Upload to BB Due Professional Meeting Documentation Upload to BB Due

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