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1. **Contact Person** (Name, Email Address, Phone Number)

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1. **Proposed Change** (for undergraduate curricular changes please provide an 8-semester plan (appendix A), if applicable)

Revise Admission Requirement GPA to 3.0

1. **Effective Date**

Spring 2021

1. **Justification –** *Please provide details as to why this change is necessary.*

The grade point average (GPA) was increased from 2.5 to 2.8 in spring 2016 and implemented in fall 2017. The students applying to the Dietetics Program are beyond meeting the current 2.8 cumulative GPA. The average cumulative GPA for students that have applied to the Dietetics Program since 2015 have been the following:

2015 (13 applicants): 3.472

2016 (10 applicants): 3.13

2017 (16 applicants): 3.447

2018 (17 applicants): 3.51

2019 (12 applicants): 3.33

2020 (11 applicants): 3.54

The dietetics faculty and Dietetics Advisory Board have also discussed increasing the GPA to 3.0.

**Bulletin Changes**

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| **Instructions**  |
| **Please visit** [**http://www.astate.edu/a/registrar/students/bulletins/index.dot**](http://www.astate.edu/a/registrar/students/bulletins/index.dot) **and select the most recent version of the bulletin. Copy and paste all bulletin pages this proposal affects below. Please include a before (with changed areas highlighted) and after of all affected sections.** **\*Please note: Courses are often listed in multiple sections of the bulletin. To ensure that all affected sections have been located, please search the bulletin (ctrl+F) for the appropriate courses before submission of this form.**  |

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**Assistant Professors:** Sterling, West

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In addition to RD credentialing, many states have regulatory laws for dietitians and nutrition practitioners. Frequently these state requirements are met through the same education and training required to become a registered dietitian. Registered dietitians are considered food and nutrition experts. They work in a wide variety of employment settings, including hospitals and healthcare facilities, food & nutrition-related business and industry, sports nutrition & wellness programs, community & public health, education, research areas and private practice.

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

In order for students to apply for admission into the Coordinated Program in Dietetics, they must meet the following conditions:

1. Cumulative GPA of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale of all college work attempted.

2. English proficiency requirements, if foreign born.

3. Completion of program prerequisites with a minimum grade of “C” required in all courses.

4. HESI A2 Admission exam.

Class size is limited due to the availability of supervised practice sites. All applicants may not be accepted into the program.

**PROBATION, RETENTION AND READMISSION**

Refer to Probation, Retention and Readmission Policies in the College of Nursing and Health Professions.

For more information about the dietetics program, go to: http://www.astate.edu/college/conhp/degrees/.

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**Appendix A, 8-Semester Plan**

(**Referenced in #2** - **Undergraduate Proposals Only)**

*Instructions: Please identify new courses in italics*.

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| **Arkansas State University-Jonesboro****Degree:****Major:****Year:** |
| Students requiring developmental course work based on low entrance exam scores (ACT, SAT, ASSET, COMPASS) may not be able to complete this program of study in eight (8) semesters. Developmental courses do not count toward total degree hours. **Students having completed college level courses prior to enrollment will be assisted by their advisor in making appropriate substitutions. In most cases, general education courses may be interchanged between semesters.** A minimum of 45 hours of upper division credit (3000-4000 level) is required for this degree. |
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