

**A Collaborative Agreement between Central Valley WIC Dietetic Internship and
The Sage Colleges School of Health Sciences
Nutrition Science Department**

This Collaborative Agreement allows Central Valley WIC Dietetic Internship students to complete the **Master of Science in Applied Nutrition** program at the Sage Graduate Schools.

This Collaborative Agreement provides for:

- Preferred acceptance (on a space available basis) into the MS in Applied Nutrition at the Sage Graduate Schools for students who have a) been accepted to the Central Valley WIC Dietetic Internship, b) obtained a 3.0 or higher undergraduate degree GPA.
- Waiver of the Sage Graduate Schools application fee
- Access to Sage advisors to coordinate course scheduling.
- Access to three (three credit) Central Valley WIC DI-specific practicum courses during their Dietetic Internship that will count toward the MS in Applied Nutrition Degree.
- Access to Sage Student Services, including financial aid, registrar and library services.

Central Valley WIC Dietetic Internship partners agree to:

- Recruit and contract with qualified adjunct faculty to teach the three practicum course sections dedicated to the Central Valley WIC DI students. Qualified faculty will, at a minimum, possess an RD and a Master's level credential (MS, MA, MPH or MBA).
 - Sage will have final oversight on hiring decisions
 - Sage will have final oversight and approval of practicum course syllabi, (syllabi to meet Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics requirements for Dietetic Internships)
 - Sage will take responsibility for training adjunct faculty on online course platform usage.
- Advise and support students to ensure success
- Collaborate with Sage on practicum course content
- Work with the adjunct instructor(s) to review and grade practicum course content.

This agreement will be reviewed at least once every two years. It can be renegotiated at the request of either institution, especially if there is substantial change in relevant curricula at either institution. Either institution may terminate the agreement, giving the other one year written notice. Offers by Sage Graduate Schools for admission tendered to students prior to termination shall remain valid and will be honored by the Sage Graduate Schools for the year they were offered. The Chairs/Program Directors of the respective institutions will be responsible for implementation of the agreement.

To guarantee placement in the Applied Nutrition Program, students agree to submit the following information and to meet these requirements:

By April 30th for Summer or Fall admission:

1. Completed SGS application online (fee waived, essay waived, reference letters waived).
2. Obtain official transcripts from all college institutions attended.

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