

Course Specification MSc Dietetics (Top-up) Course Code: TDIET

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MSc Dietetics (Top-up) (TDIET)

Applicant Course Specification for 2024/25 Postgraduate Entrants

Confirmed at November 2023

General Information

Award	Master of Science Dietetics
Contained Awards	None (target award is a 60 credit 'top-up' award)
Awarding Body	Leeds Beckett University
Level of Qualification and Credits	Level 7 of the Framework for Higher Education Qualifications, with 60 credit points at Level 7 of the Higher Education Credit Framework for England.
Course Lengths and Standard Timescales	Start dates will be notified to students via their offer letter. The length of the course is 2 years, part-time.
Location(s) of Delivery	The majority of teaching will be at City campus but on occasion may be at Headingley campus.
Entry Requirements	Applicants should hold a Postgraduate Diploma in Dietetics from a UK university. Applicants should also be a Registered Dietitian with the Health & Care Professions Council and currently practising in a role which requires a Registered Dietitian.
	Admissions criteria are confirmed in your offer letter. Details of how the University recognises prior learning and supports credit transfer are located here: <u>https://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/student-</u> <u>information/course-information/recognition-of-prior-learning/.</u>
	Admissions enquiries may be directed to: <u>AdmissionsEnquiries@leedsbeckett.ac.uk</u> .
Course Fees	Course fees and any additional course costs are confirmed in your offer letter. Fees enquiries may be directed to <u>Fees@leedsbeckett.ac.uk</u> .

Timetable Information

Timetables will be made available to students during induction week via:

- The Student Outlook Calendar
- The Student Portal (MyBeckett)

Any difficulties relating to timetabled sessions may be discussed with your Course Administrator.

Policies, Standards and Regulations

https://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/our-university/public-information/academic-regulations

The course follows the Academic Regulations except where noted below.

Threshold pass

Students must obtain at least 50% in each module.

Pre-requisite module

Research Methods for Nutrition is a pre-requisite module for the Research and Practice Development module. Learners must successfully complete Research Methods for Nutrition 20 credit module prior to undertaking the Research and Practice Development 40 credit module. This will be confirmed at a Module Board.

Fitness to Practise

As HCPC registrants, students are expected to always act in a professional manner and should adhere to the Fitness to Practise Policy and Procedure which can be found <u>here</u>.

Your Key Contacts

Course Director	Linsey King
Academic Advisor	Confirmed at induction
Course Administrator	Claire McCann, c.mccann@leedsbeckett.ac.uk

Professional Accreditation Associated with the Course

The course is not accredited. Learners are required to be registered with their regulatory body, the Health and Care Professions Council, to commence this MSc Dietetics (top-up) course.

Course Overview

Aims

The aims of the programme are:

- 1 To develop further autonomous, reflective learners who have the foundation for life-long learning and professional development to enhance evidence-based practice and professional standards and advance career aspirations.
- 2 To produce postgraduate students who have sound research skills and the ability to undertake an independent piece of research at Master's level.

Course Learning Outcomes

At the end of the course, students will be able to:

- 1 Apply an enquiring, systematic, problem solving; self-evaluative approach with the commitment to use research, clinical guidelines and policy in the evaluation and improvement of evidence based dietetic practice.
- 2 Demonstrate the research acumen, professional skills and abilities, values and behaviours of a registered dietitian working autonomously within the complex framework of accountability, ethical and legal boundaries to meet Employer frameworks and Professional, Regulatory and Statutory Body Standards.
- 3 Critically appraise areas of dietetic practice and contribute to relevant bodies of research and evidencebased practice through the delivery of an independent high-quality piece of research at Master's level.

Teaching and Learning Activities

Summary

This course is online and delivered through a distance learning approach. Teaching approaches include staffled lectures and workshops. Learners will engage with the content of session online and through recorded content.

Your Modules

This information is correct for students progressing through the programme within standard timescales. Details of module delivery will be provided in your timetable. Both modules are core.

Semester 1	Semester 2
Year 1	
Research Methods for Nutrition (20 credits)	Research and Practice Development (40 credits)
Year 2	
Research and Practice Development continues	Research and Practice Development continues

Assessment Balance and Scheduled Learning and Teaching Activities

The assessment balance and overall workload associated with this course are calculated from core modules. A standard 20 credit module equates to 200 notional learning hours, comprising teaching, learning, assessment and independent study.

Assessment

On this course, modules are assessed by coursework. Students complete a research proposal followed by an independent research project culminating in a written dissertation.

Workload

Overall Workload	Hours
Teaching, Learning and Assessment	50
Independent Study	550
Total	600

Learning Support

If you have a question or a problem relating to your course, your Course Administrator is there to help you. Course Administrators work closely with academic staff and can make referrals to teaching staff or to specialist professional services as appropriate. They can give you a confirmation of attendance letter and a transcript. You may also like to contact your Course Representative or the Students' Union Advice team for additional support with course-related questions.

Student Services

If you have any questions about life at University, call into our Student Services Centre at either campus or contact Student Advice directly. This team, consisting of trained officers and advisers are available to support you throughout your time here. They will make sure you have access to and are aware of the support, specialist services, and opportunities our University provides. They also work on a wide range of projects throughout the year all designed to enhance your student experience and ensure you make the most of your time with us. Student Advice are located in the Student Services Centre in the Leslie Silver Building at City Campus and on the ground floor of the Priestley Building at Headingley Campus. The team can also be contacted via email at <u>studentadvice@leedsbeckett.ac.uk</u>, telephone on 0113 812 3000, or by accessing our online chat link, available on the student homepage.

Support and Opportunities

Within MyBeckett you will see two tabs, Support and Opportunities, where you can find online information and resources.

The Support tab gives you access to details of services available to give you academic and personal support. These include Library Services, the Students' Union, Money advice, Disability advice and support, Wellbeing, International Student Services and Accommodation. There is also an A-Z of Support Services, and access to online appointments/registration.

The Opportunities tab is the place to explore the options you have for jobs, work placements, volunteering, and a wide range of other opportunities. For example, you can find out here how to get help with your CV, prepare for an interview, get a part-time job or voluntary role, take part in an international project, or join societies closer to home.