

## Nutrition Description

A nutrition professional or nutritionist is any person who specializes in food and nutrition. Some nutritionists have additional credentials, such as a registered dietitian (RD) or dietetic technician, registered (DTR), signifying they have completed an accredited training program and have passed a national registration exam. The specialist in nutrition usually has an undergraduate or graduate Degree in nutrition, food or related area of study. Many nutritionists may also complete advanced Degrees in nutrition and food science, counseling, education or public health.

[Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics; Dietetic Careers](#)

[American Journal of Clinical Nutrition \(AJCN\)](#)

[American Society for Nutrition \(ASN\)](#)

[Association of State Public Health Nutritionists \(ASPHN\); Health Equity Internship Program](#)

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[Columbia University One-Year MS in Human Nutrition Program Open House, April 6, 2020](#)

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[RDstudy.com](#)  
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[The Nutrition Source](#)  
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[USDA Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion Internship Program](#)

Degree	Bachelor's, Master's, or PhD. Many states require certification.
Program Length	Variable
Professional Schools' Organization	<a href="#">Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND)</a> <a href="#">Accredited Education Programs for Careers as Registered Dietitians (RD) or Dietetic Technicians, Registered (DTR)</a> <a href="#">American Society for Nutrition Graduate Program Directory</a>
Application Service	None; contact each school individually.
Academic Admission Requirements	Variable depending on program.
Admission Exam	No standard exam.
Personal Attributes & Experiences	A nutritionist may work in a variety of settings such as healthcare, public health, food companies, academia, health clubs/spas, schools, or government agencies. Nutritionists generally like learning how the body works and how to prevent disease through nutrition. They are motivated, independent, and innovative, and want to use their knowledge to solve problems and to help people.
Recommendation Letters	Individual letters.