## **Registered Dietitian**

Licensed dieticians are experts in nutrition and dietetics who educate patients about dietary needs, provide resources for specific dietary restrictions, and develop nutrition plans to meet the specific needs of individuals. They play a key role in helping to improve the health and wellness of patients and can work in a variety of settings including hospitals, clinics, schools, correctional facilities, or counseling programs.

What can I do in High School?	What can I do in College?	What Other Schools in NC Offer This?
Take the <u>ACT</u> and <u>SAT</u> . Verify individual school requirements to see if standardized tests are required.	In North Carolina, to become a Registered Dietitian, you must:  1. Complete an educational program	Appalachian State University Bachelor of Science in Dietetics  North Carolina Central University Bachelor of
2. Complete the <u>FAFSA</u> to determine eligibility for federal financial aid.	certified by <u>ACEND</u> . This can be a Bachelor's or Master's Degree. <u>Western</u>	Science in Nutrition and Dietetics
3. Complete College Applications: The Common Application	Carolina University has a Bachelor of Science program in this field.	North Carolina A&T University Bachelor of Science in Food and Nutritional Sciences
4. Ask for <u>letters of recommendation</u> .	Partake in a Dietetic Internship (DI) in     North Carolina (unless you completed a     Coordinated Program that includes	University of North Carolina Greensboro  Bachelor of Science in Nutrition
5. Check out the <u>CFNC</u> , a free resource that helps students plan, apply, and pay for college in NC.	internship hours. <u>UNC</u> has a CP program). This qualifies you to sit for the exam to become a registered dietician.	East Carolina University Bachelor of Science in Nutrition and Dietetics  Meredith College Master of Science in
6. Be aware of transcripts and transfer credit such as: Early College, AP, IB, CLEP, or Transfer Credit.	3. <u>Apply</u> for state license in North Carolina.	Nutrition
7. Participate in extracurricular activities such as: sports, jobs, clubs, organizations, and volunteering.		More Information?  US Bureau of Labor Statistics
8. Pay attention to deadlines and start planning early!		How to Become a Registered Dietitian?  My Next Move - Nutrition  What's a Dietitian?