

NUTRITION EDUCATION, CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Financial Aid Eligible

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Students who graduate from this program are prepared for employment in one of the fastest growing and most prolific industries in Southern California, encompassing weight control clinics, health and exercise spas and gymnasiums, community agencies concerned with nutrition education, and manufacturers and distributors of nutrition-related products.

Program Outcome

1. Graduates will be competent entry-level Nutrition Education Assistants meeting the employment needs of the community.

Certificate Requirements

Orange Coast College offers two types of certificate awards in career programs designed to prepare the graduate to enter a particular field of employment. At least 3 units in an advanced course from the certificate must be completed at OCC.

1. **Certificate of Achievement** - 8 units or more in a state-approved program. Certificates of Achievement are not automatically awarded. A petition must be filed in Enrollment Services or online at the beginning of the semester in which the student will be completing his or her final requirements. The petitioning periods are listed in the Graduation Requirements (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/graduation-requirements/>) section of this catalog.
2. **Certificate of Specialization** - 16 units or less in a locally approved program. Certificates of Specialization are not automatically awarded, not printed on official academic transcripts, and there is no acknowledgment of completion given at graduation. Please contact the division for details regarding the submission of petitions as procedures for each division vary. Most division offices prefer that students complete all of the required courses and then provide a copy of the transcript while some divisions allow petitions for Certificates of Specialization before finishing.

Minimum Grade Requirement

In order to be awarded a certificate, students are required to obtain a grade of "C" or better in all program-required courses. Grades of "CR" or "P" will be accepted whereas "CR" or "P" meets the equivalency of a "C" or better. A list of certificate programs can be found in the Programs A-Z (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/programs-study/>) section of this catalog. Check with a counselor to determine the requirements for completion.

Course	Title	Units
FN A170	Nutrition	3
	Units	14
Semester 2		
FN A125	Vegetarian Nutrition	1
FN A180	Principles of Foods	3
NC A180	Introduction to Medical Nutrition Therapy	3
	Units	7
Semester 3		
FN A171	Applied Nutrition	2
FN A185	Cultural Foods	2
NC A280	Intermediate Nutrition Care	2
NC A281	Supervised Practice 1	3
	Units	9
	Total Units	30

Suggested Electives

Course	Title	Units
FN A136	Nutrition, Fitness and Performance	3
HMDV A180	Child Growth and Development	3

Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
Semester 1		
BIOL A221	Anatomy-Physiology	4
FN/NC A100	Careers in Dietetics and Food Science	1
FN A144	Life Cycle Nutrition	3
FSM A160	Sanitation and Safety	3