

## **Career Opportunities for Nutrition Graduates**

### **Clinical Dietetics**

Hospitals  
Long Term Care  
Clinics  
Specialties: Renal, Pediatric  
*Median Salary: \$38,000*

### **Food & Nutrition Management**

Hospitals  
Long Term Care  
Businesses  
Schools  
Contract Service Management  
Work with chefs or at spas  
(Jobs available without RD)  
*Median salary: \$48,000*

### **Community Nutrition**

Women, Infants & Children (WIC)  
Public Health Department  
Cooperative Extension  
Congregate Meals Program  
(Jobs available without RD)  
*Median Salary: \$38,000*

### **Education & Research**

College/University  
Health Professional School  
Government (FDA, USDA, NIH)  
Industry  
Manage/assist with clinical trials  
Basic research  
(RD not as important as MS or PhD)  
*Median Salary: \$47,000 w/experience*

### **Consultant/Private Practice**

Hospitals  
Long Term Care  
Client counseling for weight management, eating disorders, sports nutrition, diabetes management  
Sales rep for food, nutritional or pharmaceutical companies  
Write cookbooks or articles  
Food photography  
Restaurant and/or food industry  
Health clubs/spas  
Entrepreneurs  
*Median Salary: \$49,000 (varies)*

### **Education**

Teach in 2 yr college/culinary school  
Write curriculum for state board of education, Dairy Council, Cooperative extension  
Worksite Wellness  
Business/Industry (Kraft Foods, General Mills, Proctor & Gamble)  
Information Technology (CBORD)  
Nutritionals (Novartis, Ross Products)  
Nutraceuticals (GeniSoy Products)  
Pharmaceutical (Eli Lilly, Pfizer)  
Food Service Equipment  
Food Service Contract Management (ARA, Sodexo)  
Food Service Vendors (Sysco, US Food Service)  
Medical Equipment  
Trade Associations (Dairy Council)

### **Corporate Careers**

Sales  
Marketing  
Public Relations  
Research & Development  
Production—quality control

### **Media**

Radio/TV/Newspaper/Magazines  
ADA Spokespersons  
Cooperative Extension Agents  
Trade Associations

### **International**

Peace Corps  
Non-governmental organizations  
United Nations Food & Agriculture  
Organization  
US AID (Agency for International  
Development)  
Multi-national Corporation  
Consulting/Research Collaboration

### **Public Policy/Government**

Staff resource to legislator  
Government Agency (USDA, FDA, NIH)  
Health Care Reform  
Supplement Labels  
Regulatory  
Lobbyist for state/federal government

### ***Start with Nutrition degree, then use skills for a degree in a related profession:***

Business (MBA)  
Chiropractor (DC)  
Dentist (DDS)  
Law (JD)  
Naturopathic Doctor (ND)  
Physical Therapist (PT)  
Physician (MD or DO)  
Physician Assistant (PA)  
Podiatrist (DP)  
Veterinarian (DVM)