PhD in Nutrition Sciences

The Department of Nutrition Sciences offers you a top 10 ranked PhD program where you will conduct scientific research to discover evidence-based solutions to promote health, avert disease and aid in cutting-edge treatments of individuals with a variety of diseases.

In the Department of Nutrition Sciences, you will learn from world class researchers. UAB has two NIH-funded centers, the Nutrition Obesity Research Center and the Diabetes Research Center, and work with the Comprehensive Cancer Center.

You want to make life-changing discoveries? Then start by discovering UAB’s PhD in Nutrition Sciences.

Application Process

The PhD program in Nutrition Sciences accepts admission for the fall term only. Apply through the UAB Graduate School online at www.uab.edu/graduate/.

**Application Deadline:** January 5

**Requirements:**
- Undergraduate overall GPA 3.5
- GRE (verbal + quantitative) 310 (completed within the past 5 years)
- A degree in a recognized field of biological, physical, chemical, agricultural or engineering science from an accredited university is preferred.
- International students: TOEFL 80 (internet version) and IELTS 6.0

Contact Information

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Estimated Expenses 2016-2017
(Subject to change at the beginning of any term)

TUITION
- In-State: $740 (first credit hour), $510 (subsequent hours)
- Out-of-State: $1,435 (first credit hour), $1,203 (subsequent hours)

FEES
- Online Course Fee: $250/course
- Parking Fee: $130/annually (optional)
- Graduation Fee: $50

REQUIREMENTS
- Medical Insurance**: $78
- Background Check/Drug Screen**: $78

**All students are required to have personal insurance coverage. Visit uab.edu/studenthealth for more info.
***Only required if you have contact with patients as part of research.

Program Expectations

The PhD in Nutrition Sciences program provides training and research experiences in basic and translational nutrition science. Students learn the science of nutrition as it relates to maintaining the health of individuals and populations, as well as the biochemical basis and application of nutrition to promote health and prevent disease. Possible areas of study include:

- Experimental design
- Nutritional biochemistry
- Energy requirements
- Body composition
- Geriatric nutrition
- Community nutrition
- Disease prevention
- Clinical nutrition

PROGRAM TIMELINE: Most students complete the PhD program within 4 to 5 years of full-time study.

- Years 1 & 2: Complete core & elective coursework
- End of year 1: Identify research mentor & PhD research project
- End of year 2: Work on research paper
- Years 4 and 5: Complete research project, write related publications and complete dissertation

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