Clinical Nutrition, Master of Science in

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The M.S. degree graduate is an advanced-level clinical nutritionist with training in a number of clinical subspecialties. Graduates may function as clinical specialists in acute care centers, outpatient settings, and public health programs and as faculty in undergraduate, internship, or technical dietetic programs.

Credentials Conferred: Diploma The Master of Science degree is awarded by the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Length of Study: 18-24 months.

Program Entrance Date: Fall semester preferred.

Application Deadline: Application should be made to the UAB Graduate School approximately two-three months prior to the term of enrollment.

Application Procedure: Application materials are available from the UAB Graduate School.

Requirements for AdmissionPrerequisites: For unconditional acceptance, an applicant:

- must have a B.S. degree in foods and nutrition (or a related area) from a regionally accredited college or university with a minimum overall grade point average of B or alternatively computed over the last 60 semester hours of earned credit;
- must have a score of 1,500 on the GRE (at least 500 on each of the verbal, quantitative and analytical sections) or a score of 50 on the MAT;
- should be a registered dietitian or registration-eligible with clinical experience, or have a baccalaureate degree from an American Dietetic Association-approved Didactic Program in Dietetics. A nutrition laboratory sciences option is offered to non-dietetics students with strong chemistry backgrounds; and
- If accepted, must complete the UAB medical history questionnaire and physical, provide proof of required immunizations, and receive satisfactory screening by the UAB
**Medical Center Student Health Service.**

**Essential Requirements:** Fundamental tasks, behaviors, and abilities necessary to successfully complete the academic and clinical/residency requirements of the program and to satisfy licensure/certification requirements, if any, have been outlined and are available upon request from the academic program office. Students requesting disability accommodations must do so by filing a disability accommodation request in writing with the academic program office.

**Typical Program**

The program offers the Plan I (thesis) option only. Candidates for the M.S. degree are expected to complete a minimum of 30 hours of graduate-level coursework and submit and defend thesis research that makes a contribution to the knowledge of clinical nutrition.

**Core Requirements**

Students are required to take the following courses: BST 601, BST 602, NTR 618, NTR 636 (or equivalent approved by program director), NTR 680, NTR 690, and NTR 699. Additional courses may be selected from departmental offerings as well as from the following emphasis option areas: exercise science, health education, health services administration, public health, and nutrition laboratory sciences.

**Suggested Course Sequence**

(Course requirements are listed in semester credit hours)

**Fall**

BST 601 Biostatistics I (3)
NTR 680 Journal Club in Clinical Nutrition (1)
Emphasis Area Elective (3)

**Spring**

BST 602 Biostatistics II (3)
NTR 618 Nutritional Biochemistry (6)
NTR 636 Scientific Methods (3)

**Summer**

Emphasis Area Elective (3)

**Fall**

NTR 690 Seminar (1)
NTR 699 Master's Level Thesis Research (3)
Emphasis Area Elective (3)

**Spring**

NTR 699 Master's Level Thesis Research (3)

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