PATHWAY to Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN)*

**Detailed information available at:** [https://www.cdrnet.org/certifications/registration-eligibility-requirements-for-dietitians](https://www.cdrnet.org/certifications/registration-eligibility-requirements-for-dietitians)

* Beginning January 1, 2024, a Master’s degree will be required in order to sit for the examination for RDN status.

**Information for ACEND DPD and supervised practice programs can be found at:** [http://www.eatrightpro.org/resources/acend/accredited-programs](http://www.eatrightpro.org/resources/acend/accredited-programs)

**STEP 1:**
Complete a Bachelor’s degree by an accredited university**

**STEP 2:**
Complete all requirements of an ACEND Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) ***

**STEP 3:**
Receive a DPD Verification Statement from the DPD Director

**STEP 4:**
Apply for an Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) accredited supervised practice program, e.g. Dietetic Internship*

**STEP 5:**
Complete all requirements of the ACEND supervised practice program to receive a Verification Statement from the Program Director.

**STEP 6:**
Pass the National Registration Examination for Dietitians administered by the Commission on Dietetic Registration

**STEP 7:**
After you pass the registration exam, you must research, apply and obtain licensure or certification to practice in your state if your state has specific practice requirements. Detailed information on this requirement can be found at: [https://www.cdrnet.org/state-licensure](https://www.cdrnet.org/state-licensure)

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