



## COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION FOR DIETETICS EDUCATION

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Dear Ms. Barkley:

This letter is to advise you of the action of the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education (CADE) of the American Dietetic Association regarding the Dietetic Internship at University of Kansas Medical Center. During its April 19-10, 2002 meeting, CADE voted to grant continued Accreditation of the Program. The Program is accredited for an enrollment of 16 interns annually and a Nutrition Therapy emphasis.

The decision was based upon a peer review of the self-study application addressing the 1997 Standards of Education, site visit report, and the Program's response. The review, however, indicates insufficient information about the following Criteria. An interim report clarifying documentation of these Criteria is requested. Four copies of the report must be submitted postmarked no later than July 1, 2003.

Criteria:

- 1.2 *Measurable goals for the program shall reflect the mission statement or philosophy and are the basis for evaluation of program effectiveness.*
- 5.4 *Administrators, faculty, students, and other appropriate constituencies shall participate in systematic planning, implementation, and evaluation of the program on a regular and continuing basis.*
- 5.6 *Outcomes measures for program graduates shall be developed and evaluated for achievement of measurable goals. One outcome measure shall be the pass rate of first-time test takers on the Registration Examination. If the pass rate is less than 80% for first-time test takers, a plan of action for improvement shall be provided.*
- 5.7 *Continuous program evaluation shall address achievement of measurable goals for the program. Data shall be analyzed to identify the extent to which measurable goals for the program are being achieved. Appropriate corrective action shall be taken when measurable goals for the program are not being achieved.*

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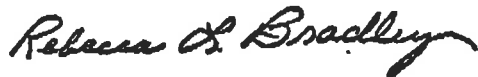
In response to the site visit report, the program developed a systematic assessment plan and timeline for regular collection, review, and analysis of program evaluation data. Evidence that the plan has been implemented to document continuous evaluation of progress toward goal achievement is needed.

CADE values the commitment to the quality and continued improvement of dietetics education demonstrated by the Dietetic Internship during the accreditation process. In this spirit, the Program Evaluation Document (PED) will be due at the 5-year interval of the 10-year accreditation period in 2006. Approximately 1 year prior to the PED submission date, the ADA Accreditation staff will notify the Program and provide further information. The next self-study and site visit is scheduled for November 2011.

If major changes occur in the Program, you must submit the changes in writing to CADE for review prior to implementation. CADE maintains the right to require an interim report, self-study, and/or site visit as a result of these changes.

Thank you for your interest in and support of dietetics education and students. If there are any questions, please call the ADA Accreditation staff at 800-877-1600 ext. 4727.

Sincerely,



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