



ST. MICHAEL'S HOSPITAL AND THE DEPARTMENT OF NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

The Combined Master of Science-Dietetic Internship Program



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Combined Master of Science (MSc) - Dietetic Internship Program

The Combined Master of Science (MSc)-Dietetic Internship Program is a joint program of St. Michael's Hospital and the University of Toronto, Department of Nutritional Sciences. The goal of this program is to train individuals to become dietetic practitioners with advanced research skills. The Combined MSc-Internship program is based on the existing Graduate Dietetic Internship program offered at St. Michael's Hospital and the MSc program offered by the Department of Nutritional Sciences, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto.

Upon completion of a shortened dietetic internship practicum consisting of 35 weeks (see http://www.stmichaelshospital.com/content/programs/nutrition_msc.asp), students enter the MSc program which offers graduate level course work and supervised research training with an emphasis on the research project and thesis (see <http://www.utoronto.ca/nutrisci/mscphd.html>).

The program requirements for the MSc component of the combined program are identical with those of the regular MSc program except that the supervisor or co-supervisor needs to be a faculty member of the Department of Nutritional Sciences who is also associated with St Michael's Hospital. It is anticipated that the Combined MSc-Internship program may be completed in approximately 2 ½ years. Graduation from the Combined MSc-Internship program is confirmed after successful completion of both the internship and MSc degree requirements.

Students accepted into the program will have guaranteed student funding during the MSc program. Students are encouraged to apply for external awards.

Selection criteria for the Combined MSc-Internship program are based on evidence of strong academic performance in nutrition, food service management, research and related science courses. Research and professional experience is an asset. For MSc course program description and Admission Requirements see <http://www.utoronto.ca/nutrisci/mscphd.html>. For eligibility criteria for a Dietetic Internship program, see: http://www.dietitians.ca/public/content/career_in_nutrition/internships.asp

Application Procedures and Deadlines

1. To enter the Combined program, students must apply to and be accepted by both the MSc program and the Dietetic Internship program. An application package must be submitted to both the University of Toronto and to St Michael's hospital – **please follow the steps outlined in *Application Procedure on the following page.***
2. Selected applicants will be invited for an interview at St Michael's Hospital in early February.
3. The successful applicant to the Combined MSc-Internship program will be offered the position and required to indicate acceptance by signing the acceptance form.

Application Procedures to the Combined MSc / Dietetic Internship Program:

I. Procedure for applying to U of Toronto MSc Program:

1. Go to <http://www.utoronto.ca/nutrisci/mscphd.html>
2. Click on [online applications](https://apply.sgs.utoronto.ca/) (This will redirect you to: <https://apply.sgs.utoronto.ca/>)
3. Follow the online application instructions and complete all steps.
4. Submit the following documents:
 - i. Official transcripts (submit to the department in a sealed envelope)
 - ii. 2 Letters of Reference
 - iii. Personal Statement
 - iv. Curriculum Vitae (C.V.) (Please note that item (ii) to (iv) can be uploaded on the application website)

IMPORTANT: Please follow the deadlines below.

II. Procedure for applying to St Michael's Hospital Combined MSc/Dietetic Internship:

1. **PRINT** the University of Toronto application
2. Assemble the following package:
 - Printed University of Toronto Application
 - Your Official Transcript(s) (1 original for each institution you attended, each in a sealed envelope)
 - Your Curriculum Vitae (C.V.)
 - Your Personal Statement **please include your reasons applying to the Combined MSc program** (see *Supplementary Information* at <http://www.utoronto.ca/nutrisci/mscphd.html> for further information on the Personal Statement and Curriculum Vitae)
In addition, the personal statement should state professional goals, reasons for choosing St. Michael's Hospital Combined Master's Internship Program, expectations of the program, as well as strengths and weaknesses of the applicant. Letters should be 1 to 1½ pages in length, using size 12 font.
 - * completed Dietetic Internship Applicant's Contact Information Sheet
 - * completed Confirmation of Completion of Academic Program
 - * completed Confidential Report on Dietetic Internship Application (in sealed envelopes – 3 reports) (* These three forms are part of the Application Package which is available at universities offering accredited programs in dietetic education, from Dietitians of Canada or the Dietician of Canada website, in the first week of October.)
3. **Mail** this assembled package to:

Dr. Pauline Darling
Coordinator of Nutrition & Dietetic Research
Room 411, 4th floor
St. Michael's Hospital – Li Ka Shing International Healthcare Education Centre,
Keenan Research Centre
209 Victoria Street
Toronto, ON M5B 1W8

Deadline: Application: January 23, 2012

All supporting documents for MSc & Dietetic Internship Program – February 1, 2012

You have now applied to the Combined MSc / Dietetic Internship Program at St. Michael's Hospital and the University of Toronto. You have also now applied to the St. Michael's Hospital Dietetic Internship Program and will be considered in the DC selection process.

For further information, please contact:

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