333.18358 Dietitian or nutritionist; licensure; requirements.

Sec. 18358. (1) Except as otherwise provided under subsection (2), an individual granted a license under this part shall meet 1 of the following requirements:

(a) Have a baccalaureate degree from a United States regionally accredited institution of higher education approved by the department with a major course of study in human nutrition, nutrition education, foods and nutrition, dietetics, or food systems management, or an equivalent course of study, as approved by the department, have completed at least 900 hours of postdegree or planned continuous preprofessional experience supervised by a licensed dietitian or nutritionist as prescribed in rules promulgated by the department, and have successfully completed an examination that is approved by the department.

(b) Have a master's degree from a United States regionally accredited institution of higher education approved by the department with a major course of study in human nutrition, nutrition education, foods and nutrition, dietetics, or food systems management, or an equivalent course of study, as approved by the department, have completed at least 900 hours of postdegree or planned continuous preprofessional experience supervised by a licensed health care professional who has experience and knowledge in the provision of dietetics and nutrition care services or by a licensed dietitian or nutritionist as prescribed in rules promulgated by the department, and have successfully completed an examination that is approved by the department.

(c) Have a doctoral degree from a United States regionally accredited institution of higher education approved by the department with a major course of study in human nutrition, nutrition education, foods and nutrition, dietetics, or food systems management, or an equivalent course of study, as approved by the department, and have completed at least 900 hours of postdegree or planned continuous preprofessional experience supervised by a licensed health care professional who has experience and knowledge in the provision of dietetics and nutrition care services or by a licensed dietitian or nutritionist as prescribed in rules promulgated by the department.

(2) The department shall grant a license as a dietitian or nutritionist to an individual who is currently registered as a dietitian by the commission on dietetic registration and fulfills the standards of the commission as adopted by reference under section 18357(4). An individual granted a license under this subsection shall apply for licensure as a dietitian or nutritionist under this part on or before the expiration of 2 years after the effective date of the rules promulgated under this part.

(3) The department may grant a limited license to engage in the postdegree experience required under subsection (1) to an individual who has completed all of the educational and the examination, if applicable, requirements for licensure. A limited license granted under this subsection is renewable for not more than 5 years.


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