Course Syllabus
Wayne County Community College District
DT 111 Dietetics Orientation

CREDIT HOURS: 2.00

CONTACT HOURS: 45.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This is the first course in the program sequence. Students are introduced to the profession of dietetics, the American Dietetics Association, the Code of Ethics and professional conduct. Career opportunities are explored and students are encouraged to define career goals. Other topics include developing a portfolio, reviewing research in professional journals, self-assessment, time management, problem solving skills and study skills.

EXPECTED COMPETENCIES

The student will:
1. Become familiar with the profession of dietetics
2. Identify characteristics of ethical practice in dietetics
3. Identify the role of the dietetic technician in health care, the community, foodservice and other non-traditional careers
4. Work in a group to prepare educational material
5. Prepare a short paper using appropriate documentation
6. Become familiar with trends and terminology in the health care industry
7. Utilize LRC, tutorial, computer lab and other college resources
8. Identify laws and policies that effect foods & nutrition
9. Become familiar with the student manual as a resource tool
10. Know the criteria for developing a personal portfolio
11. Use computer technology
12. Recognize appropriate resources for nutrition information
13. Understand basic statistics from a review current data on incidence of chronic illness (healthcare industry)
14. Use acceptable written communication skills
15. Utilize effective methods of communication with individuals and groups

ASSESSMENT METHODS

Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral reports, group discussion, written reports or presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

GRADING SCALE

90%-100% = A
80%-89.9% = B
70%-79.9% = C
60%-69.9% = D
<60% = E