

NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES, B.S.

WISCONSIN EXPERIENCE

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate students have the opportunity to take for-credit and not-for-credit hours in labs (<https://nutrisci.wisc.edu/undergraduate/student-research/>) to participate in research and learn additional lab skills. Faculty-led research programs inform the scientific understanding of nutrition's role in health. Students can work with internationally recognized researchers who study metabolism, genetics, genomics, physiology, and nutritional management of diseases including phenylketonuria (PKU), cystic fibrosis, and diabetes.

GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT

Faculty and students in the program have many connections with global activities. The UW Mobile Clinic and Health Care in Uganda (<https://studyabroad.wisc.edu/program/?programId=532>) study abroad program provides students an opportunity to visit Uganda and learn about nutrition and public health. The Village Health Project (<https://www.villagehealthproject.org/>) student organization grew out of students traveling to Uganda on UW-Madison programs and supports ongoing public health projects in the region.

STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The Dietetics and Nutrition Club (DNC) (<https://nutrisci.wisc.edu/undergraduate/dietetics-and-nutrition-club/>), open to undergraduate and graduate students, hosts biweekly evening meetings featuring speakers on many topics related to nutrition. The group also assists students in finding volunteer and job opportunities in the field of nutrition.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY

Students volunteer through many different programs in the community. Examples include:

- Volunteering at UW Hospitals and Clinics or other local hospitals to gain experience in patient care
- Joining the student organization Slow Food UW, a group that hosts dinners in the Madison community
- Addressing food insecurity through student groups including Food Justice Collective, Campus Food Shed, UW Frozen Meals program, Open Seat food pantry, Food Recovery Network-Madison Chapter, F.H. King: Students for Sustainable Agriculture; and Madison-area food pantries such as Madison Community Fridges

The Dietetics and Nutrition Club also offers volunteer opportunities.

INTERNSHIP

Students may obtain academic credit along with community-based engagement by creating their own internship under the supervision of a faculty member.