

## **Final Activities**

Graduation from the internship is expected by the end of the 40-week program with successful completion and documentation of Intern Learning Outcomes and Competencies. If the intern is not able to complete the program in this time due to an authorized reason, the internship may be extended in accordance with the PDI policy on Extension of Internship. A checklist of final activities that must be done prior to graduation has been developed and is included in this section.

For completion of the program, interns must meet the following requirements:

1. Completion of a minimum of 1,200 supervised practice experience hours as specified.
2. Completion of all scheduled Supervised Practice Experiences with an Evaluation rating of 75% or above.
3. Completion of required competencies.
4. Successful completion of all assignments, presentations and projects.
5. Successful completion of all didactic classes and passing exams and assignments with a minimum grade of 75%.
6. Attendance at all Program for Dietetic Interns meetings and classes

An Official Verification of Completion enabling the graduate to establish eligibility to take the Registration Examination for Dietitians will be provided by the program director after all requirements for program completion have been verified.

During the final evaluation meeting each intern is asked to complete an exit interview evaluation and a program and program staff evaluation. The exit interview tool examines how the intern feels about the whole internship program and whether or not it provides experiences that will prepare him/her for the registered dietitian exam. This is an opportunity for the intern to voice any concerns about the program, the rotations, supervised practice hours, assignments, trainings and preceptors.

The program and program staff evaluation gives the intern the opportunity to express concerns, offer suggestions for program revisions and provide input about the Dietetic Internship Program in a confidential manner. Any remarks an intern makes regarding an individual staff member will remain confidential until after the intern graduates.

Each intern receives a final evaluation of their overall performance. This evaluation is completed by the Program Director and Internship Coordinator. Forms are included in this section.