



Policy Title:	Service Disruption in Academic or Practice Education Settings- Graduate	No.: 2.10
Approved By:	Director of Dietetics	
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Audience:	Students, Practice Education Partners, Faculty and Staff	

Preamble

The UBC Dietetics Program is committed to advancing equity, diversity and inclusion for the Program and dietetics profession, as it relates to the Program’s vision of inspiring learners to advance dietetic practice and food systems. Our core values of justice, integrity, inclusion, collaboration, and community-focus drive our approaches to Program planning, delivery, evaluation, and community engagement.

The Program is located on UBC’s Point Grey Campus, which is situated on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the xwməθkwəy̓əm (Musqueam). Practice education placements take place on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territories of many Indigenous peoples, in locations throughout present day British Columbia. The Program recognizes the original stewards of these lands, and engages in ongoing efforts towards decolonization of the Program and the dietetics profession.

Abbreviations

BC	British Columbia
ICDEP	Integrated Competencies for Dietetic Education and Practice
G+PS	Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies
LFS	Faculty of Land and Food Systems
MND	Masters of Nutrition and Dietetics
The Program	UBC Dietetics Program – Graduate (MND)
UBC	University of British Columbia

Policy

The Program is committed to the safety and well-being of students, faculty and staff, and affiliated partners involved in the delivery of dietetics education.

In the event that extraordinary circumstances impact the delivery of the Program (e.g., strikes or job action, communicable disease outbreak, natural disaster etc.), Program activities will be adjusted or suspended until the disruption is over.



During an academic or practice education service disruption, students must adhere to applicable UBC and practice education placement site policies and directives. In a labour dispute, students are not permitted to do the work of bargaining unit employees.

The Program will make curriculum modifications as needed, to ensure students can achieve all [Integrated Competencies for Dietetic Education and Practice](#) requirements. The Program will make every effort to minimize or avoid delays in Program completion and graduation.

Procedure

Action	Who	When
1. Communicate service disruption to all affected Program stakeholders	UBC Dietetics Team, with relevant others	As situation arises
2. Assess the feasibility and safety of continuing the Program. Take action based on assessment, which could include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Continuing the Program as usual b. Adjusting courses and activities (e.g. remote/virtual participation, shortening or rescheduling courses or placements, utilizing simulations) c. Temporarily suspending the Program 	UBC Dietetics Team, with relevant others	As situation arises
3. Upon resolution of a service disruption, resume normal Program activities, with any necessary operational or curriculum adjustments	UBC Dietetics Team, with relevant others	As necessary
4. Debrief experiences with relevant others and identify lessons for the future	UBC Dietetics Team, with relevant others	Once situation is resolved

Reviewed by:

	Action	Date	Status
MND Team	Copy of BSFN Policy (No.1.10); minor revisions	May 3, 2022	New Policy, based on BSFN policy <i>1.10 Service Disruption in Academic or Practice Education Settings</i>
Director of Dietetics	Review	May 17, 2022	Approved
Skylar Parent	Removed Covid-19 policy reference	June 21 st , 2023	Revised