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#### **EXPERIENCE**

# **Dietitian at Tri City Medical Center,** Oceanside, CA

September 2018 - Present

- Assist in the kitchen as supervisor and perform administrative duties, as needed
- Perform nutritional analyses using Food Processor and label calories for the Prime Project
- · Conduct nutrition screening and assessment and evaluate health and disease conditions
- Educate patients using nutrition medical therapy, both inpatient and outpatient settings
- Perform Nutrition Focused Physical Exams to assess malnutrition diagnoses
- Collaborate with a multi-disciplinary team to ensure optimal patient care using evident based practice
- Teach classes and lead support groups for cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation patients

## Lecturer at San Diego State University, San Diego, CA

August 2018 - Present

- Courses: Quantity Food Production (124 students) and Experimental Food Science and Technology Lab
- Lecture planning, research, creation, preparation, and presentation
- · Instruct, lead, and teach students during lectures, lab sections, office hours, and online communication
- Monitor research design and studies
- Create and evaluate student assignments, projects, and presentations

#### **Director Sports Nutrition Cooperative, San Diego, CA**

August 2018 - Present

- Direct and organize a group of 12-15 graduate and undergraduate students
- Apply evidence-based nutrition education to Division I and recreational athletes at SDSU
- Communicate directly and serve as nutrition resource for Aztec Warrior Wellness Director, team coaches, and Athletic Department staff
- Develop and oversee nutrition policies and procedures and continuing education for group members
- Address nutritional challenges to performance including healthy snacking, supplements, and hydration
- Educate and mentor group members to enhance their experience in, and knowledge of, Sports Nutrition
- Support and assist members for educational presentations, grocery store tours, and dietary analyses

#### Dietitian II, University of California, San Diego UCSD

July 2018 - October 2018

- Worked in the Housing, Dining, and Hospitality Department to increase health and wellness at foodservice establishments
- Developed and organized the food production, planning and control software system- FoodPro
- Performed nutritional analyses, created food labels, and identified food allergens
- Identified and labeled items for healthier choices to increase awareness for customers and better meet newly implemented wellness criteria for on campus dining

**Dietetic Intern, VA San Diego Healthcare System, San Diego, CA** 

August 2017- June 2018

- Completed 41 weeks of rotations in inpatient and outpatient settings, foodservice, management, and public health
- Practiced the nutrition care process to monitor and evaluate problems, etiologies, signs/symptoms, and nutrition impact
- Counseled patients with complex diseases and comorbidities and implemented medical nutrition interventions
- Taught education classes to patients with Pre-Diabetes Mellitus and Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus
- Researched and presented a complex patient case study and clinical and administrative seminars
- Designed and implemented a theme meal for all inpatients, modified the menu for therapeutic diets and supervised the ordering, production, and distribution of the meal.

## **Intern SDSU Sports Nutrition Cooperative, San Diego, CA**

April 2016 - May 2017

- Educated Division I, club sports and recreational athletes on proper nutrition for optimal performance and health
- Scheduled and organized meetings, presentations, tabling, and events at the Aztec Recreation Center.
- Designed and presented PowerPoint lectures to athletic teams and coaches
- Performed one on one counseling sessions with a diet analysis concerning weight loss, performance and health goals

# Teaching Associate at San Diego State University, San Diego, CA January 2015 - May 2017

- Led group of six coworkers, set meetings, and assist in scheduling of 10-12 lab sections of Exercise
  Physiology Lab
- Prepared and led weekly laboratory experiments and lectures
- Created quizzes and laboratory protocols and graded final research presentations and papers
- Motivated, mentored and supported students in their educational pursuits
- Taught scientific writing and research methods

# Graduate Assistant at San Diego State University, San Diego, CA August 2014 - May 2017

- Managed and corresponded with 900 students in the online Contemporary Nutrition course
- Created quizzes and grade assignments and final paper
- Managed the course on Blackboard
- Instructed, assisted and guided students during office hours
- Performed administrative duties including student athlete grade checks and disabled student accommodations

#### Research Intern at UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA

May 2015 - January 2017

- Examined effects of SUP on cardiovascular response and energy expenditure in the Exercise & Physical Activity Resource Center lab
- Recruited and scheduled 20 participants.
- Designed protocol and performed testing protocols in-lab and on-water.
- Analyzed data using statistical analyses software, SPSS
- Wrote a manuscript and publication for American Council on Exercise (ACE)

## Personal Trainer, Encinitas, CA

## September 2012 - March 2015

- Served as interim supervisor position for 15 personal trainers
- Evaluated fitness levels and performed anthropometric measures
- Created individualized exercise prescriptions for clients of ages between 13-85 yrs
- Determined appropriate exercises for varying health conditions including smoking and muscular dystrophy
- Built rapport and build relationships to increase program adherence and improve the health of others

#### **EDUCATION**

## San Diego State University, San Diego, CA- 2017

- Dual MS in Exercise Physiology & Nutritional Science
- Didactic Program in Dietetics

## University of California, Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA- 2012

- BA in Psychology
- Minor in Education
- Minor in Exercise and Health Science

#### PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

- Commission on Dietetic Registration, Registered Dietitian, obtained 07/03/2018
- Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
- California Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, San Diego
- San Diego Food Handler Education Certification
- National Academy of Sports Medicine Certified Personal Trainer
- American Heart Association CPR and AED certification

#### SOFTWARE EXPERIENCE

- FoodPro
- Food Processor
- Computrition Hospitality Suite Software