

Track Name: Tarboro (Edgecombe County)

Location: Tarboro + Greenville, NC

Distance from Main Campus: 30 miles

Type of Experience: Full time

Number of Interns: 1

Overall Description: Interns rotate through the food and patient service divisions of a - bed teaching hospital. Supervised practice in community dietetics is completed at the Pitt County Health Department.

Clinical Experiences: Vidant-Edgecombe Medical Center	<p>Interns work with all varieties of diseases/ conditions: diabetes, renal disease, liver disease, oncology, pulmonary, surgery, orthopedics, cardiology. Interns also work with patients receiving tube feedings.</p> <p>If more critically ill or pediatric patient cases are of interest, the intern may schedule time at Vidant Medical Center in Greenville.</p>
Community Experiences: Pitt County Health Department http://www.co.pitt.nc.us/	<p>The Intern will obtain working knowledge of a variety of community programs including WIC, MCH, Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, Family Planning, Adult Health and Communicable Disease. Specific competencies that may be acquired include: participating in nutrition-related legislative and public policy processes; assisting with general health assessments; assessing and monitoring the nutrition status of the community; providing nutrition care for population groups across the lifespan; participating in community based food and nutrition program development, implementation and evaluation; counseling clients needing medical nutrition therapy; educating and training target groups within the community; developing and evaluating education materials; referring clients to appropriate community services; developing effective community outreach.</p>
Foodservice Experiences: Vidant-Edgecombe Medical Center	<p>Computerized nutrition office and quality checks for patient services; state of the art menu/production programs; exposure to Catering. Contract Foodservice Management Company and computerized systems. CQI Program for clinical Nutrition and food service management; development of policies/procedures</p>
Management Experience: Pitt County Schools (optional)	<p>Interns may ask to work with Pitt County Schools where they have an opportunity to develop menus, nutritional analyses, teaching tools, bulletin boards and related activities in addition to food management experiences.</p>