

**COUNCIL OF DEANS OF NUTRITION AND DIETETICS
(AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND)**

Nutrition and Dietetics Education and Accreditation Network (NaDEAN)

PREAMBLE AND PURPOSE

Education for nutrition and dietetics across both Australia and New Zealand has seen unprecedented growth in recent years. This forum will provide an avenue for academics managing day to day education and accreditation issues for accredited dietetics programs in Australia and New Zealand to consult on key issues affecting these programs. The group is auspiced under the Council of Deans of Nutrition and Dietetics (Australia, New Zealand) and as such this group advises the Council on key issues related to dietetic education programs and will receive direction from the Council on matters requiring further input or consultation.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. Advise and advocate on standards required in dietetic education to ensure competency of graduates in Nutrition and Dietetics in Australia and New Zealand.
2. Consider environmental, social, political, scientific, employment and economic issues relevant to the direction and advancement of Nutrition and Dietetics education and the profession.
3. Actively seek information on matters which may inform CDND on matters relating to dietetic education.
4. Encourage and nurture partnerships between Universities for collaboration in dietetic education.
5. Provide a regular forum for the exchange of education and information and for discussion among senior academics in Nutrition and Dietetics.

MEMBERSHIP

The Council of Deans of Nutrition and Dietetics Education and Accreditation Network (NaDEAN) (Australia, New Zealand) is composed of a representative from each of the University Faculties offering professional degrees in Nutrition and Dietetics across Australia and New Zealand that are recognised for dietetics practice by the Dietitians Association of Australia or the New Zealand Dietitians Board. This person is typically a course coordinator/program director or as nominated by the CDND member from that university.

An identified member from a University that has submitted its initial documentation for the purpose of provisional accreditation with the Australian Dietetic Council or the New Zealand Dietitians Board may request membership. Upon provisional accreditation being granted, the Council of Deans of Nutrition and Dietetics (Australia, New Zealand) may formally invite the University to become a member, which will include nomination of a member of NaDEAN. In the event that a university is no longer either a provisionally or fully accredited program the identified representative will be required to tender their resignation effective from the last date of the accreditation period.

The member of the CDND will nominate the person to represent the University on NaDEAN.

ADMINISTRATION

NaDEAN (Australia, New Zealand) will hold meetings with official agendas and minutes. Communications will be circulated with an opportunity for members to comment.

Meetings: Will be held quarterly with ideally one or more of these to be held in person. All members may add to agenda items one month prior to the scheduled meeting. Costs of attendance at any face to face meetings will be met by each attending University. Hosting of tele/video conference costs for other meetings will be rotated between universities.

Chair or co-chair: as nominated by CDND ANZ and this will typically be a member/s who sits on CDND and NaDEAN.

The terms of reference will be reviewed every two years by NaDEAN and ratified by CDND ANZ.

Review:

July 2022