



# Maternal and Child Nutrition

As a targeted program focused on training graduate students for careers in health sciences, the UC Davis Master of Advanced Study in Maternal and Child Nutrition program provides learner-centered education and a strong scientific background in nutrition-related topics.

- **Work While You Study**—Evening courses and web-based resources accommodate the busy schedule of working professionals
- **Participate via Broadcast**—Classroom lectures are broadcast, giving you the option to participate synchronously via remote classroom
- **Learn from Leaders**—Faculty members are internationally known for their groundbreaking research in maternal and child nutrition
- **Stay Ahead of the Curve**—If you're planning to become a registered dietitian, our program satisfies the requirement to first obtain a master's degree
- **Advance Your Career**—As a graduate of the program, you'll qualify for positions as a pediatric nutrition specialist, maternal nutrition specialist, lactation consultant and lactation specialist within healthcare organizations, as well as administrative positions in public health agencies at local, state and national levels

For more information or to apply  
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## Program at-a-Glance

- 36-42-unit program
- Four core courses
- Six to eight units of special topics seminars
- Two to four units of electives
- A six-unit student project



## FOR MORE INFORMATION

Talk to an enrollment coach!

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## About the Program

### Required Courses

Required core courses are Nutrition During Pregnancy, Lactation and Infant Nutrition, Child and Adolescent Nutrition, and Applied Research Methods.

### Seminars

A series of special two-unit seminars are offered in the second year. Seminars vary from year to year but will include:

- Epidemiology of Maternal and Child Nutrition
- Public Policy in Maternal and Child Nutrition
- Principles of Adult Education

### Specialized Lactation Training

If you are planning to become an International Board Certified Lactation Consultant, you will be required to complete an elective course in clinical lactation and clinical internship hours. We coordinate all clinical hours and preceptors for our students in California.

### Student Project

All students carry out a capstone project during their second year, which allows them to apply their knowledge and skills.

## How to Apply

Admission is accepted for fall quarter every year. No GRE is required to apply. Tuition is paid on a course-by-course basis. For prerequisites, program requirements, current fees and online application, visit the web.

### Application Deadlines for fall 2023:

- **Priority Deadline:** February 15, 2023
- **General Deadline:** April 15, 2023
- **Space-Available Deadline:** June 1, 2023

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“Our program is unlike any other in the country.”

—Jane Heinig, program director



### A message from the director

Jane Heinig,  
Ph.D., IBCLC

“We prepare our students not only to become nutrition experts, but also to administer nutrition programs on local and national levels. Our students are looking for an in-depth understanding of maternal and child nutrition, and this program meets that need by being more applied- and public-health oriented than others.

**“Our program size allows us to take a holistic view of how we train our students. We get to know our students well. They benefit from lots of personalized instructor interaction, and they form networks based on their professional interests.”**

—Dr. Jane Heinig has been sharing her passion for maternal and child nutrition as the program’s director for 15 years, and she has been an International Board Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC) for more than 25 years.