



## Computer Match Application Instructions

### Required Application Items:

- All items listed on the DICAS application checklist are required for the U of M DI Program, with the exception of Tests. GRE and TOEFL tests are not required for entrance to U of M Dietetic Internship.
  
- Personal Statement**  
As part of the DICAS application, you will be asked to complete a personal statement in 1,200 words or less. Questions to be addressed in your personal statement include:
  - Why are you interested in the dietetics profession?
  - What experiences have helped prepare you for a career in dietetics?
  - What are your short-term and long-term goals?
  - What are your strengths and weaknesses / areas needing improvement?In addition, the following questions must be addressed in your personal statement when applying to our U of M DI Program:
  - What is your reason for applying to the U of M DI **and** your desired concentration?
  - What challenges do you anticipate encountering while in the U of M DI Program?
  - What are your top three reasons demonstrating best fit with the U of M DI Program?
  
- Three References** are required. Our preference:
  - Two from faculty members or instructors in the department where you complete(d) your DPD program and/or graduate work
  - One from a work or volunteer supervisor, preferably one who is a practicing RDN who has observed your skills for more than three monthsIf using your discretion to deviate from the above sources, tell us your rationale for doing so within your *Preselect Supplemental Application Form*. We encourage you to seek out references that can speak best to your demonstrated abilities and professional characteristics.
  
- Complete the appropriate **Supplemental Application Form** for the concentration area(s) in which you are applying, and upload to your DICAS application as a *Supplemental* document.
  
- Follow the DICAS guidelines for e-submitting your completed application by 11:59 pm Central Time on **February 15, 2022**.
  
- Applicants must register online at [www.dnndigital.com](http://www.dnndigital.com), pay the computer match fee by credit card, and enter their contact information and Dietetic Internship preferences by 11:59pm Central Time on **February 15, 2022**.
  
- Pay the \$50 (non-refundable) **University of Minnesota DI application fee** on or before February 15, 2022.