PLACEMENT STRUCTURE
FOR TRINITY-TUD DIETITIANS

Student dietitians must complete 1000 hours of clinical training to qualify and register with the profession's regulatory body (CORU). These 1000 hours are acquired across 3 practice placements.

Practice Placement A [PPA]
What? Placement in a hospital catering department
Why? To understand how catering supports the work of a dietetic department
When? Year 1, mid-May to mid-June
How long? 4 weeks

Practice Placement B [PPB]
What? Placement with dietetic teams in acute and primary care settings
Why? To develop core clinical and dietetic skills
When? Year 2, Apr to Jun
How long? 11 weeks

Practice Placement C [PPC]
What? Placement with a dietetic team in an acute hospital setting
Why? To refine core clinical and dietetic skills to an employable standard
When? Year 4, Sep to Dec or Jan to Apr
How long? 14 weeks

Clinical classes
What? Classes in St. James' Hospital
Why? To maintain key clinical skills between PPB and PPC
When? Every Wed in Year 3