

# Reaching for the Elusive Dietetic Internship: The Sixth Annual Dietetic Internship Selection Workshop

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*Internship directors from Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont provide students advice on the internship application process.*

On November 6th, dietetic students flocked from the farthest corners of New England to convene at Boston University's Sargent College for the Sixth Annual Dietetic Internship Selection Workshop. The workshop brought a total of 51 students to Boston, in hopes of learning the ins-and-outs of the dietetic internship application process from the nine internship directors in attendance.

The workshop started off with a bang, as internship directors Joan Salge-Blake, MS, RD, LDN and Julie Robarts, MS, MPH, RD, LDN presented "Creating a Dynamic Internship Application." The presentation included crucial dos and don'ts to follow when applying to internships, as well as advice on making a good impression when meeting the director of your dream

program. Shortly after, the workshop launched into a time for networking. Students were able to get up-close and personal with the directors and hear about each of their individual programs. Finally, the workshop closed with the Director Q&A Panel. Here, students fired off questions ranging from "Does geographical diversity matter when choosing interns?" to "What should I do if I don't receive an internship match in the first round?" Workshop attendee Elizabeth Jarrard said "I found the panel of directors to be very helpful in answering a broad range of questions and it was nice to be able to compare and contrast the different takes directors had on things."

Interested in finding out more about the dietetic internship application process? Visit the ADA's Students & Careers

webpage at <http://www.eatright.org/cps/rde/xchg/ada/hs.xsl/career.html>. To learn more about the Massachusetts Student Dietetic Association and our future events, check us out at <http://www.eatrightma.org/content3990>.

Finally, we would like to extend a special thanks to the internship directors who attended this year's workshop. The event would not be possible without your continued support throughout the past six years. Thank you!

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