

CORE ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS for the Certified Clinical Nutritionist (CCN™) Examination

USA Regionally Accredited College/University degrees and coursework accepted.

POST GRADUATE STUDIES IN CLINICAL NUTRITION™ (PGSCN) PROGRAM: 56 Hours of online and additional study covering the specific body of knowledge represented by the scope of clinical nutrition practice, is required of all degrees prior to taking the CCN™ Examination. ***Exception dependent upon CNCB approval of independent academic nutrition program (see B):***

Core Science Coursework

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| Anatomy & Physiology | Human Biology |
| Chemistry | Biochemistry (pre-requisite organic chemistry) |
| Microbiology | |

Core Nutrition Coursework/or Equivalency (Five of eight 3 hour coursework)

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| Introduction to Nutrition I | Nutrition II |
| Nutrition and Disease | Nutrition & Supplementation |
| Nutrition Assessment | Herbology |
| Nutrition Counseling Strategies | Nutrition and Aging |

*Course titles may vary but must be equivalent.

A. An Advanced Professional Degree in a Licensed Health Care Field: (Degree must include Core Science Coursework.)

For qualified health professionals in licensed categories, including but not limited to holders of MD, DO, DC, DDS, DPM, OD, PharmD, DPT, PA, ND, RN and NCC-RD, 56 hours of online training in clinical human nutrition within the PGSCN program is required prior to examination.

B. An individual that holds a Masters, Ph.D, or D.Sc. in Human Nutrition: from a regionally accredited institution. (Degree must include Core Science and Nutrition Coursework.)

Dependent upon CNCB approval of individual academic nutrition programs, Master's, Ph.D., and D.Sc. applicants may be eligible to take the examination without completion of the Post Graduate Studies in Clinical Nutrition (PGSCN) program. Current exemptions include Bridgeport University, New York Chiropractic College and UC Davis.

C. Foreign Degree Applicants :submit satisfactory English documentation at applicant expense.

If the degree comes from outside the United States, it must be evaluated as being equivalent to United States regionally accredited institution standards.

- Michigan requires Statistics coursework for licensure.
- Optional coursework but recommended: Medical Terminology, Practice Management/Insurance Codes, HIPPA requirements.