



KERALA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

PROSPECTUS FOR ADMISSION TO

**POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN
NUTRITION AND DIETETICS**

(FOR WORKING PROFESSIONALS)

2024-25

1. INTRODUCTION

In the growing field of healthcare industry, Nutrition and Dietetics holds a major share as it is a whole new area that understands the need for good food habits and imparts guidance to develop a healthy world. With the growing population and the shift of the public interest towards a healthier lifestyle, is likely to improve employment prospects for dietetics professionals. Only institutionally trained and certified clinical nutrition specialists and dietitians have the credentials to make use of the most credible, evidence-based research into practical applications. The Department of Community Science has developed this comprehensive program of PG Diploma in Nutrition and Dietetics which is a 1-year post-graduation course. Successful candidates of this course will be qualified to manage patients and collaborate with medical and hospitality industry on their approach to critical nutrition and health care systems.

2. COURSE OBJECTIVE

- Self-equipped graduates capable of starting their own diet clinics and nutrition centres, leading to entrepreneurship.
- Access to high quality education to all those interested in dietetics
- Comprehensive and essential practical guidance on all aspects of dietetics from the promotion of health to management of diseases
- Enhance the professional qualifications of in-service dietitians, food technicians and others nutrition and health communicators
- Cater to the needs of persons employed in government and non-government institutions engaged in providing health/dietetic care and food service

The details of course are given below:

a.	Name of Course	PG Diploma (Nutrition and Dietetics)
b.	Name of Institution	Department of Community Science College of Agriculture, Vellanikkara
c.	Number of seats	To be decided later
d.	Duration of Course	One year
e.	Fee Structure	
	Admission Fee	Rs. 5000/-
	College Caution deposit (refundable)	Rs. 10,000/-
	Semester Tuition Fee	Rs.60,000/- +Project / Internship fee extra (As per hospital norms)
f.	Medium of Instruction	English
g.	Accommodation	Candidates have to make their own arrangements for boarding and lodging

** The fee will be subject to revision from time to time at the discretion of the University.*

3. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION (Academic Year 2024-2025)

- Any graduate degree in science with 55% aggregate marks.
- Candidates must possess 1-3 years of working experience in the relevant field.
- Self-sponsored working professionals will have to submit a No Objection Certificate from their respective employer.
- Working professionals sponsored by Industries, Govt. institutes, Public sectors, Universities, Other grant in aid institutions etc. must submit their applications through proper channel along with deputation order.

4. MODE OF APPLICATION

Online application mode through Google Form for which the link will be provided in the KAU websites (www.kau.in and admissions.kau.in)

5. MODE OF CLASSES AND LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

- **Class Format:**
 - **75% Online Mode:** Majority of the classes will be conducted online, including live sessions and pre-recorded lectures on platforms like KAU Moodle etc fostering a flexible (“anytime, anywhere”) learning ecosystem.
 - **25% Offline Mode:** Periodic contact classes/practical sessions (as applicable) will be arranged on weekends or holidays to specifically accommodate the demands of working professionals.
 - **Offline Practical Sessions:** Two intensive practical sessions of required duration will normally be arranged per semester, typically scheduled in the second and fourth months or as decided by the course teacher in consultation with the learners. These sessions will be designed to be immersive, providing hands-on experience and maximizing learning outcomes within a condensed but flexible timeframe.
 - However, all the credit requirements per semester needs to be fulfilled and satisfied.
 - The learner must satisfy a minimum overall attendance of 75 per cent.

6. EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT

- **Continuous Assessments:** Evaluation will be conducted through assignments, seminars/presentations, viva voce exams etc. for maximum 30 per cent of total marks allotted for the course.
- **Summative Assessment:** There shall be a written exam, for maximum 70 per cent of total marks allotted for the course.

FOR MORE DETAILS ABOUT THE COURSE, CONTACT:

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