



Société Suisse de Nutrition Clinique
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Education & Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS) in Clinical Nutrition

Modular course with the possibility to continue towards a Certificate in Clinical Nutrition, a collaboration between the Medical Faculty of the University of Bern and the Swiss Society for Clinical Nutrition

The curriculum combines theoretical, empirical and practice-based elements in clinical nutrition

Course structure

- Education: For those interested in continued and advanced training, is it possible to register for individual courses from the entire range of course offerings.
- Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS): The modular courses are part of an in-depth advanced training in clinical nutrition in the scope of obtaining certification in clinical nutrition.

Target audience

The individual courses are available to all those interested who would like to acquire additional knowledge in clinical nutrition. The in-depth advanced training within the scope of the certificate course is explicit and is aimed at clinically active medical doctors, nutritionists, dieticians, nurses and hospital pharmacists.

Objectives

- Promotion of competence in clinical nutrition
- Promotion of the scientific, theoretical and practical relevance of clinical nutrition

Candidates who receive certification will have mastered the basic principles of day-patient and in-patient clinical nutrition related to their own profession as follows:

- Motivation and support of nutritional therapies and diets for patients
- Foundational diagnostic and therapeutic competencies
- Making use of the possibilities to collaborate with specialists
- Efficient use of staff and material resources
- Recognition of the need for and administration of the appropriate level of nutritional therapy
- Knowledge of the current state of research
- Use of process-guided quality control
- Treatment according to the principles of deontology and bioethics based on the ethical standards of society

Organisation

The Swiss Society for Clinical Nutrition in collaboration with the Medical Faculty of the University of Bern

Courses and registration

Register online on the website of the Swiss Society for Clinical Nutrition. www.geskes.ch

Prerequisites for admission

- Diploma from an institute of applied education, university or the equivalent
- Employment with practice in clinical nutrition
- Membership in GESKES/SSNC

Exceptions concerning academic formation or employment (e.g. graduation from a higher technical school) can be approved «sur dossier». Criteria can be found on the website of the GESKES/SSNC.

Certificate of Achievement

The course achievements are measured according to the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS). ECTS points describe the workload that students have to fulfill in order to achieve the respective learning objectives (1 ECTS = 20 - 30 hours of work). A total of 15 ECTS must be earned.

The certification entails:

- a) Course days with basic and advanced modules or special problems. These are organized or recognized by the GESKES/SSNC. One entire course day = 0.5 ECTS
- b) Three case reports. Problem-oriented processing and discussion of an interesting case. One case report = 1 ECTS. Three written case reports are required.
- c) Three case discussions (interprofessional meetings) of practice groups or in the hospital, in which special aspects of clinical nutrition are discussed and recorded. One case discussion can be replaced by an active contribution at a nutritional congress, which would be assessed by the accompanying person. One case discussion = 1 ECTS. Three case discussions must be carried out and recorded.

Specific individual recognition of existing knowledge and skills (diplomas, publications, congress confirmations, presentations, etc.) is possible. A maximum of 6 course days and a congress fee can be considered.



Diploma

Certification can be completed in 6 semesters and can be extended for 2 semesters if justification is provided. The Medical Faculty of the University of Bern will issue the certificate «Certificate of Advanced Studies in Clinical Nutrition» for successful completion when all of the following requirements are met:

- Recognized completion of at least 15 ECTS credit points
- Fulfilment of financial obligations

Fees

The fee for complete certification is 3000.- CHF. Tuition is paid per semester in the amount of 500.- CHF. A bill for the full amount will be issued upon successful registration. Previously paid course fees are not refundable.

Registration and Further Information



Website of the Swiss Society of Clinical Nutrition:
www.geskes.ch/zertifikatskurs-zke.aspx

For detailed information about the certification course or to register for individual courses:

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