ability. A skill learned through practice.

aptitude. A natural talent.

associate degree. A degree received after graduating from a two-year college program.

bachelor’s degree. A four-year college degree.

certification. Special standing within a profession as a result of accomplishing certain requirements.

dietetic technician. A member of a health care team who works under the guidance of a registered dietitian.

dietetics. The program of study that prepares a person to become a dietitian.

dietitian. A person trained to apply nutrition principles to diet planning for achieving good health.

doctoral degree. An advanced degree that requires about three to five years of school beyond a master’s degree.

employability skill. A competency that individuals need for successfully obtaining and keeping a job.

entrepreneur. Someone who owns and operates his or her own business.

entry-level job. A job that requires few skills and pays minimal salary.

ethics. Standards, guidelines, and codes that guide behavior.

goal. An aim a person strives to reach.

job interview. A discussion between a job applicant and a person who is hiring employees.

license. A work requirement set by the government.

master’s degree. An advance degree that requires about two years of school beyond a bachelor’s degree.

mentor. A coworker who has years of experience and can help a newer worker with questions and challenges in the workplace.

networking. Alerting a wide circle of people about an interest in a job.

portfolio. An organized collection of papers, letters, pictures, and projects that shows what a person has accomplished.

preventive health care. Preserving health now to prevent poor health later.

problem solving. A process used to answer tough questions and resolve difficult situations.

reference. The name of a person who will speak highly of an individual’s skills and abilities.
registered dietitian (RD). The only professional who is qualified to analyze a person’s diet and perform diet treatment.

resume. An outline of a person’s job qualifications.