

Dietetic Interns Learning Food Plans, Preparation

The average American housewife would be stunned at the prospect of fixing dinner for 650 people.

But for the medical center's dietetic interns, learning to supervise meals for Duke's 650 patients along with nearly 700 staff members and other employees is an everyday activity.

The interns, all college graduates with degrees in foods and nutrition or institution management, participate in a 12-month program designed to provide them

with practical experience in patient care dietetics and food administration along with additional course work in these fields.

Under direction of the department of dietetics, the internship program consists of three phases. The first, lasting three weeks, is an intensive orientation to introduce the interns to Duke facilities and review basic food and nutrition theories taught in undergraduate courses.

The second phase totaling 35 weeks is made up of training in the administration of food service programs and participation in several of Duke's patient care facilities—medical wards, surgical wards, infant, child and maternal health facilities, research units and outpatient departments.

In the final 12 weeks of the program, the intern returns to one of the patient care services to assume senior responsibility for dietetics in that unit and provide staff relief. Following graduation, the trainees receive membership in the American Dietetic Association and the accompanying pin and certificate.

During the course, students learn techniques of preparing food budgets, supervising personnel, ordering food items, planning food storage, supervising preparation and organizing serving procedures. Each intern also spends part of her time working with small community hospitals in the area.

Each year the department selects about 12 interns from an average of nearly 50 applications. This year's class of 13 come from 12 states. All are women.

The 1968-69 interns and their home states include:

Miss Linda Danielson of Colorado, Miss Anita Boatwright of Georgia, Miss Mary J. Kiser of Hawaii, Miss Charlene Ott of Maryland, Miss Kathleen Westman of Michigan and Miss Gail Howard of Mississippi.

Miss Elaine Waller and Miss Margaret Rumbley of North Carolina, Miss Lynn Ketcham of Oklahoma, Mrs. Judith Leinhas of Pennsylvania, Mrs. Dorothy C. Ready of South Carolina, Miss Cary Lipscomb of Texas and Miss Brenda Marshall of Virginia.



DR. POND

British Teacher Praises Duke

A noted British psychiatrist and educator at Duke for a series of lectures praised the Medical Center's psychiatric teaching and research program.

Dr. Desmond A. Pond, professor and chairman of the department of psychiatry at London Hospital Medical College, said Duke's progress in basic psychiatric research during the past 25 years has been amazing.

Dr. Pond, who was one of 75 British medical students to finish clinical training in American colleges during World War II, received his M. D. degree from Duke in 1944.

"The philosophy of psychiatric education at Duke is much like what I teach," he said. "The course covers general subjects but with a strong psychodynamic emphasis. Duke has always had a strong psychiatry department, and I owe a great deal to what I learned here."

Dr. Pond presented a talk on the psychiatric aspects of epilepsy and had a general discussion with Duke teaching staff on educational methods.

A specialist in electroencephalograms and child psychiatry, Dr. Pond visited Duke en route to an appointment as a visiting professor in Australia and New Zealand.

"I hope it won't be another 25 years before I can return to Duke again," he said.

16 Med Techs Pass Exams

Dr. Thomas D. Kinney, chairman of the Department of Pathology and director of the School of Medical Technology, and Dr. A. Wendell Musser, associate director of the school and director of Allied Health Education, jointly have announced that 16 recent graduates of the Duke School of Medical Technology passed the national certification examination conducted by the Board of Registry of Medical Technologists of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists. Those who pass the certification exam are eligible for the professional designation MT (ASCP).

The graduates have accepted employment across the United States, however, one is employed at the medical center PDC, five at the V. A. Hospital and five at North Carolina Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill.

The newly registered medical technologists and their hometowns are:

Pamela Hemphill, Margaret Presley and George Thompson, all of Chattanooga, Tenn., Ann Law of Bishopville, S.C., Cynthia Lawrence, Florham Park, N.J., Ann Mayers Skinner, San Rafael, Calif., Pauline Morris, St. Paul, Va., Susan Ramsay, Wilmington, Del., Kathleen Rathmanner, Hopkins, Minn., Martha Roberson, Enfield, N. C., Elaine Scroger, Batavia, N. Y., Mary Alice Tyree Penland, Covington, Va., Mary Upperman, Raleigh, N. C., Patrice Wagner, Williamston, S.C., Linnea Weblemoe, Corona, Calif., and James G. Whitecavage, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.