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Interview #2: dietician/school Nurse Carri Beasley,
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This interview only gave me more reasons why I would want to become a dietician. Carri talked about many of the same things as Lorraine in interview #1, such as defining a dietician and talking about the internships and school required. This just continued to ignite my excitement about becoming a dietician.

One of the things that Carri made very clear in this interview was the difference between a registered dietician, a dietician, and a nutritionist. Someone who owns a health food store could consider themselves a nutritionist "nutritionists have none of the credentials" (Beasley). While a dietician goes to school for nutrition or dietetics but does not continue on to do an internship, and become a registered dietician, RD. which was one of the things that Carri really emphasized "go the extra year and do the RD, because of being a certified RD I have always been able to get a job, I don't know if that would be the same if I didn't have that extra certification" (Beasley).

After getting her dietetics degree Carri later went back to nursing school and also became a certified nurse, which she wishes she would have done sooner. With her various degrees Carri held many jobs in the medical field including, but not limited to: Woman Infants and children, Prenatal plus, Clinical dietician at St. Vincent's Hospital, school nurse, and many public health jobs. Carri got her dietitian degree at Kansas State in 1994, and her nursing degree in 2005. Initially, Carri wanted to get her nursing degree first but decided to switch to dietetics just because she liked it. "I am interested in health, wellness, and eating" (Beasley).

Similarly to Lorraine Carri thought that the working conditions were "great" (Beasley), and with two children, it still matched her lifestyle flawlessly. Carri and I discussed some of the many jobs you could hold with this degree, some of the ones that really sparked my interest were working for a company, becoming a wellness director, or working with athletics.