### VISION

ACEND® is valued for advancing excellence in nutrition and dietetics education.

### MISSION

ACEND® ensures the quality of nutrition and dietetics education to advance the practice of the profession.

### VALUES

**Objectivity**—ACEND® board members, program reviewers and staff evaluate all matters related to program evaluation in a fair and unbiased manner.

**Integrity**—ACEND® board members, program reviewers and staff demonstrate honest and ethical behavior in all interactions, actions and decisions.

**Accountability**—ACEND® board members, program reviewers and staff accept responsibility for assuring that ACEND®-accredited programs provide education and experiences that meet all accreditation standards.

**Respect**—ACEND® board members, program reviewers and staff treat all people with consideration, courtesy, and dignity.
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| Focus communication and collaboration to cultivate excellence in nutrition and dietetics | 50% of program directors with a self-study due within two years complete in-person or online program director or program reviewer workshop training  
90% of program reviewers complete annual mandatory training  
At least two presentations (e.g., town halls, webinars, FNCE) to practitioners on ACEND standards and activities each year  
At least one presentation to stakeholders on results from demonstration program project each year |
| Elevate the quality of nutrition and dietetics education across the globe | 80% agreement in quality assurance panel review consistency evaluation  
The average evaluation rating by program directors, administrators and reviewers of the site visit is 4.5 or higher (5 pt. scale)  
40% increase in accredited international programs |
| Foster innovation in nutrition and dietetics education               | Recognize and promote at least three (3) programs that implemented a new pedagogy/practice related to ACEND accreditation (e.g., curriculum, recruitment, admission, policies) each year  
A collaboration group to foster innovation in nutrition and dietetics convened (representatives include: ACEND, CFP, CDR, NDEP, Diversity, CPLS, HOD, MIG, DPG, BOD) |
| Promote opportunities for increasing diversity and access in dietetics education | At least two DEI presentations (e.g., town halls, webinars, FNCE) to stakeholders annually  
2% enrollment increase in underrepresented groups in ACEND accredited programs based on annual report  
Initiate ACEND representation on the Academy IDEA Committee |