Call for nominations for Committee Student Members of the EFAD European Specialist Dietetic Networks (ESDN)

EFAD is calling for nominations of dietetic students who wish to contribute to the work of the different ESDN Committees as defined below.

ESDN for Diabetes – contribution to writing guidelines
ESDN for Obesity - Communication
ESDN for Food Service – Literature review for different projects
ESDN for Gastroenterology – Literature review, communication,
ESDN for Sport and Physical Activity – Literature review for sport dietitian effectiveness

Some of the advantages of committee student membership will include:

1. Increased knowledge of academic literature and EU policy in the various fields and specialties of dietetics
2. Letter of recognition of your contribution at the end of the term
3. Access to a network of specialists

Committee members will not be reimbursed for their work, but any previously approved expenses incurred on behalf of EFAD will be reimbursed.

Student Membership of the ESDN Committee will be for 2 years (2020 – 2022). The committee will meet virtually approximately every 4-6 weeks.

As members of an EFAD committee the “terms of reference for standing committees” outlined in the governance document (see appendix 1) apply. In addition there are specific terms of reference for committee members of each ESDN (see appendix 2).
Selection Criteria
- Currently being dietetic student
- Be in the academic year before graduation
- Be supported by two referees to provide further evidence of knowledge of (interest in) the chosen field
- Willingness to actively contribute to the work of the ESDN Committee
- Membership of an EFAD member organisation (a Higher Education Institute eligible* for, and planning to apply for, EFAD Education Associate Membership when possible) (Note: if the supporting HEI does not join EFAD the candidate will be asked to resign their position) or ENDietS

Selection process
- The Executive Committee will decide which of their members will be involved in the selection panel.
- After the deadline for nominations has passed all nominations and supporting documentation will be forwarded to the selection panel.
- The selection panel will check the nominations with ENDietS.
- Their decisions will be forwarded to the Executive Committee for approval.
- The decision of the Executive Committee is final, and discussion with candidates or nominating organisations will not be entered into.
- All candidates will be informed of the decision of the Executive Committee by email.

* “Education Associate membership” is open to all Higher Education Institutions in Europe that are:

- recognized by the NDA member(s) of EFAD in their country (where these exist)
- teaching dietitians that are recognised by the National Legal Authority
- teaching (or working towards teaching) dietetics at the level described in the following standards1 at point of qualification:
  - European Academic and Practitioner Standards for dietitians
  - European Practice Placement Standards for Dietetics
  - Revised Dietetic Competence and the 6 Domains of Competency
  - European Pedagogic Standards for Dietetic Practice Placement Teachers

Nomination for student members of ESDN Committees

Candidate’s name: ______________________________________________________________

Preferred ESDN: ______________________________________________________________

Details of Nominating Organisation

Name of nominating Organisation

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Signature

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Name of person signing

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Position in Organisation

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The form could be signed either by an ENDietS Anchor or a member of staff of the candidate’s Higher Education Institute.

Nomination procedure

Nominations must be accompanied by:
- Curriculum Vitae
- Letter of motivation
- Letter of recommendation from ENDietS or an EFAD member Higher Education Institute (HEI). Should an HEI’s nominee be selected, that HEI will be expected to apply for “Education Associate Membership” of EFAD
- Two references providing evidence of knowledge of (or interest in) the chosen field

Deadline for nominations – 15 February 2020

Please send your nomination with all accompanying documents to:

Judith Liddell
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secretariat@efad.org