



College to Career Connection

Culinary Arts

What is Culinary Arts ?

Have you ever dreamed of becoming a professional Chef, Pastry Chef, or Sommelier? College of the Canyon's Institute for Culinary Education (iCUE) is the perfect place to help turn that dream into a reality!

The Culinary Arts program is designed to prepare students for careers in the culinary field. The design of the program is balanced between developing the culinary tactile skills of food preparation and the management qualities necessary for career growth. The program will focus on cooking skills development, problem solving, and challenging students to critically evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of culinary operations and identify entrepreneurial approaches to operations. College of the Canyons offers:

[COC - Associate in Arts Degree and Certificate of Achievement: Culinary Arts-](#) will not transfer to a 4 year university

Potential Industries/Employers

- Entertainment and Recreation Cluster
- Restaurants
- Hotels
- Independent Employer
- Luxury resort
- Cafeterias
- College cafeterias
- Restaurants
- Catering services
- Bakeries
- Educational Service Cluster

Possible Job Titles

- Caterer
- Chefs and Dinner Cooks
- Diet Technician
- Dietitians and Nutritionists
- Restaurant Manager
- Food Critic
- Pastry Chef
- Baker
- Corporate Executive Chef
- Executive Sous Chef
- Food Service Manager
- Cruise Ship Staff

How this Major Helps You Move Forward:

Skills Advancement

While College of the Canyons does not endorse all of these opportunities, we aim to provide access:

- [Internships](#)
- [COC Career Center](#)
- [Southern California Institute of Food Technologists Events](#)
- [National Restaurant Association Reports & Research](#)
- [American Culinary Federation \(ACF\) Video Library](#)

CSU/UC (BA/BS) Available:

- [CSUN: FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES, B.S. - Option in Nutrition, Dietetics and Food Science](#)
- [CSUN: Food Science and Technology - B.S.](#)
- [CPSLO: Food Science B.S.- Conc. in Culinary](#)
- And more!

Additional information can be found at:

- [What Can I do With this Major](#)
- [COC Culinary Arts Department](#)
- [Assist: Student Transfer Information System](#)
- [Occupational Outlook Handbook](#)
- [O*NET OnLine: Job and Career Exploration](#)
- [Linkedin Alumni Tool](#)
- [Candid Career Videos](#)

Associations

Association is a group of people who come together for a common purpose. You can find helpful information about jobs and careers.

- [Institute of Food Technologists \(FIT\) Southern California Chapter](#)
- [Institute of Food Technologists \(IFT\)](#)
- [National Restaurant Association \(NRA\)](#)
- [American Bakers Association \(ABA\)](#)
- [American Culinary Federation \(ACF\)](#)

This is a general information. It is not an exhaustive, comprehensive list. For specific information on majors and careers please connect with your professors and visit the counseling center at <https://www.canyons.edu/studentservices/counseling> | 3/26/21