

CPTC CAREER PATHWAYS Culinary Arts

Career Cluster:

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Culinary Arts

Graduates are prepared to enter the fast-paced and exciting culinary field as entry-level cooks, lead cooks, or kitchen station supervisors. Emphasizes fine dining food production skills combined with professional service training and food management techniques. Food production course emphasize quality food preparation.

Potential employers include fine dining establishments, hotels, resorts, catering kitchens, clubs, and executive dining services. In combination with additional study and experience, this degree can place graduates on a career ladder that could lead to positions such as restaurant manager, catering/banquet manager, sous-chef, and executive chef.

STARTING CONSIDERATIONS

[Apply to Clover Park Technical College](#)

STARTING OPTIONS

- Still in high school
[NW Career Technical High School](#)
- Other students:
 - High School Diploma / Some College
 - [GED](#), [ESL](#), Adult Basic Skills (ABE)
 - 1st Career / 2nd Career
 - Seeking Professional Credentials
 - [Continuing Ed](#)
 - [E-Learning](#) (online instruction)

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ENTRY-LEVEL CERTIFICATE OPTION

[Basic Cooking Skills](#)

- 3-quarter program
- Kitchen Station & Food Production Training
- Entry-level and incumbent workers

EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES

[Food Preparation Worker](#)

[Short Order Cook](#)

[Fast Food Cook](#)

ENTRY-LEVEL CERTIFICATE OPTION

[Restaurant Management](#)

- 2-quarter program
- National Restaurant Association Standards
- new students and incumbent workers

EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES

[Food Prep Manager](#)

[Food Service Manager/Restaurant Manager](#)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY DEGREE

[AAT & AAS-T](#) Culinary Arts

- 5-quarter program
- Student-Operated Restaurant
- Hands-On Work-Based Learning
- Skill Standards for American Culinary Federation & National Restaurant Association
- Healthy Lifestyle Food Preparation

EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES

[Restaurant Cook](#)

[Institution/Cafeteria Cook](#)

[Chef/Head Cook](#)

INDUSTRY CAREERS

Industry Career Ladder

EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES

Entrepreneurship Opportunities