



VANCOUVER ISLAND
UNIVERSITY

Employment Skills Access Introduction to Culinary Arts Program

The Program

Are you interested in working in the culinary and food industry? This 12-week program will provide students with the skills and knowledge required to fill entry level culinary and food service positions. Traditional Aboriginal teachings and practices around food harvesting and preparation will be integrated into the curriculum and learning experience. Students will experience an interactive classroom using discussion, lectures, and hands on experience in the kitchen, industry work experience and a final transition week. This program will prepare the successful student for work in the culinary/hospitality sector.

External credentials included in the program: Cashier Training, WorldHost, WHMIS, Emergency First Aid and Foodsafe

Career Opportunities

Employment prospects are excellent in the culinary/hospitality sector. The Introduction to Culinary program curriculum is based upon the National Occupational Standards for Line Cook and Kitchen Helper positions, as developed by the Canadian Tourism Human Resources Council.



Eligibility

This program has been selected to assist unemployed, or low skilled individuals gain employment and will cover all tuition and books for students that meet the eligibility criteria of the ESA program, namely the person:

- Unemployed:
 - Cannot be on EI or attached to EI in the past three years for a regular claim or past five years for a Maternity/Parental claim.
- Employed and low skilled:
 - Have not completed high school or have completed high school but have no post secondary education towards a degree or recognized certification/credentials.

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Program Offerings:

- Third Intake: April 30 – July 20, 2012; Monday to Friday
Location: (Duncan) – Cowichan Campus and the Island Savings Centre
- Fourth Intake: May 7 – July 27, 2012; Monday to Friday
Location: Nanaimo Campus

How to Register

Seats are limited. Interested parties should contact:

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