

COURSE INFORMATION LEAFLET

City & Guilds Diploma in Professional Cookery Level 1



In a nutshell

Working in our college kitchens and restaurants, you'll be trained to industry standards, preparing meals and serving members of the public on a daily basis.

This course is for you if...

- ... You enjoy working under pressure
- ... You want to work in a busy and challenging environment
- ... You want to embark on a career as a chef

What will I be doing?

The hospitality and catering industry is a demanding yet extremely rewarding career choice, which is growing rapidly.



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Our tutors are all highly qualified and experienced in their field and they will provide you with the skills you need to progress to Level 2 Professional Cookery.

The topics you'll cover during your course include:

Food safety
Employability skills
Health and safety
Healthier foods and special diets
Introduction to kitchen equipment
Boiling, poaching and steaming
Baking, roasting and grilling
Deep frying and shallow frying
Regeneration of pre-prepared food
Cold food preparation
Professional cookery craft
Restaurant service - food, beverage and bar service
Barista coffee skills
The Chefs Forum Academy Masterclasses (one per month)

The Certificate Level 1 General Food and Beverage Service is an additional qualification. You'll experience a realistic working environment in the campus kitchen and restaurant, called Morels at Crosskeys Campus and Cwtch at Blaenau Gwent Learning Zone. You'll either be cooking for or serving the general public.

You'll be assessed in a number of ways, including:

Practical and written assessments/assignments
Presentations and demonstrations
Portfolios of work
Performance and observation
Demonstration of practical skills

And you'll achieve the following qualifications:

Level 1 Professional Cookery Level 1 General Food and Beverage Service Skills

Skills Activities

Maths and English





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Other relevant qualifications to enhance your skill set

What is expected of me?

To enrol on this course, you will need a minimum of 3 GCSEs grade G or above to include Maths/Numeracy and English/Welsh 1st Language or an appropriate Entry Level qualification. Applicants without the minimum GCSEs will be considered based on previous experience or other qualifications.

You must show enthusiasm for the hospitality and catering industry. You'll need to be self-motivated, hard-working and numerate, and have a friendly personality. Attendance and punctuality for all sessions is a major requirement of this course and you'll also be required to attend a weekly or block work placement.

What comes next?

Level 2 Diploma in Professional Cookery and/or Level 2 Food and Beverage Service.

NVQs in the workplace in areas of professional cookery, food and beverage service, front-of-house, customer service and kitchen services.

Additional information

You'll be required to purchase a full kit, chef whites and a restaurant uniform at a cost of approximately £230.00, plus £50.00 for sundries.