

CULINARY ARTS (AAS)

Degree: Associate of Applied Science

Major: Culinary Arts

Program Code: 1350

About This Major . . .

Students in the Culinary Arts Program learn the fundamental skills and techniques needed to succeed in the professional kitchen. Areas of study include; Safety and Sanitation, Nutrition, Food Preparation, Baking, Dining Room Management, Wine and Spirits, Hospitality Supervision, Cost Controls, and Purchasing. Students choose from elective courses in garde manger, international cuisine, techniques of competition, or an on the job internship. The curriculum meets the requirements of the American Culinary Federation. Upon completion of the program, students will be prepared for an entry-level position in the broad and expanding hospitality industry, as well as prepared to continue for advanced study in the Bachelor of Applied Science in Hospitality Management.

For more information on what you can do with this major, visit WCCC's Programs of Study (<https://www.coloradomesa.edu/wccc/programs>) page.

All CMU/WCCC associate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in specialized knowledge/applied learning, quantitative fluency, communication fluency, critical thinking, personal and social responsibility, and information literacy. In addition to these campus-wide student learning outcomes, graduates of this major will be able to:

1. Use information on an assigned topic to address a course or discipline related question or a question of practice in a workplace setting. (Applied Learning)
2. Apply appropriate mathematical concepts to the field of culinary arts as a basis for menu planning, purchasing and recipe conversion. (Quantitative Fluency)
3. Evaluate strategies for production and sales of food products, identify, formulate, and assess a variety of food products. (Critical Thinking/ Specialized Knowledge)
4. Interact with customers in dining room to present and explain the menu, the ingredients, and the cooking and baking methods, using best marketing practices while meeting the need of the customer. (Applied Learning/ Communication Fluency)

Institutional Degree Requirements

The following institutional degree requirements apply to all CMU and WCCC Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degrees. Specific programs may have different requirements that must be met in addition to institutional requirements.

- 60 semester hours minimum.
- Students must complete a minimum of 15 of the final 30 semester hours of credit at CMU/WCCC.
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all CMU/WCCC coursework.
- A course may only be used to fulfill one requirement for each degree/certificate.
- No more than six semester hours of independent study courses can be used toward the degree.
- Non-traditional credit, such as advanced placement, credit by examination, credit for prior learning, cooperative education and

internships, cannot exceed 20 semester credit hours for an AAS degree.

- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- Capstone exit assessment/projects (e.g., Major Field Achievement Test) requirements are identified under Program-Specific Degree Requirements.
- The Catalog Year determines which program sheet and degree requirements a student must fulfill in order to graduate. Visit with your advisor or academic department to determine which catalog year and program requirements you should follow.
- See "Requirements for Undergraduate Degrees and Certificates" in the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.

Specific to this degree:

- 63 semester hours total for the AAS, Culinary Arts.

Essential Learning Requirements

(15 semester hours)

See the current catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is an Essential Learning option and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection for the Essential Learning requirement.

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Communication		
ENGL 111	English Composition-GTC01	3
Select one of the following courses:		
ENGL 112	English Composition-GTC02	3
SPCH 101	Interpersonal Communications	
SPCH 102	Speechmaking	
Mathematics		
MATH 107	Career Math (or higher)	3
Other Essential Learning Core Courses		
Select one Social and Behavioral Sciences, History, Natural Sciences, Fine Arts or Humanities course		3
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Total Semester Credit Hours		15

Other Lower Division Requirements

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Wellness Requirement		
KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1
Select one Activity course		1
Total Semester Credit Hours		2

Program Specific Degree Requirements

(46 semester hours, must earn a grade of "C" or better in each course.)

- Additional expenses - Students in Culinary Arts may be required to purchase or have cooking tools and appropriate chef's clothing. This

does not include required textbooks. These costs vary with student needs and brand or quality of tools purchased.

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Core Courses		
CUAR 101	Food Safety & Sanitation	2
CUAR 115	Introduction to Sustainable Cuisine	3
CUAR 125	Introduction to Foods	4
CUAR 129	Center of the Plate	4
CUAR 145	Introduction to Baking	4
CUAR 156	Nutrition for the Hospitality Professional	3
CUAR 179	Wines, Spirits and Beers	3
CUAR 190	Dining Room Management	4
CUAR 233	Advanced Line Prep and Cookery	4
CUAR 255	Supervision in the Hospitality Industry	3
CUAR 262	Purchasing for the Hospitality Industry	3
CISB 101 or ABUS 257	Business Information Technology Managing Office Technology I	3
Total Semester Credit Hours		40

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Restricted Electives		
Select 6 semester hours of the following:		6
CUAR 220	Fundamentals of Healthy Cooking	
CUAR 245	International Cuisine	
CUAR 251	Advanced Garde Manger and Hors D'Oeuvres	
CUAR 261	Cost Controls	
CUAR 271	Techniques of Culinary Competition - Hot Food	
CUAR 272	Techniques of Culinary Competition - Cold Food	
CUAR 281	Internship	
Total Semester Credit Hours		6

Course	Title	Semester Credit Hours
First Year		
Fall Semester		
CUAR 101	Food Safety & Sanitation	2
CUAR 115	Introduction to Sustainable Cuisine	3
CUAR 125	Introduction to Foods	4
CUAR 129	Center of the Plate	4
CUAR 145	Introduction to Baking	4
Semester Credit Hours		17
Spring Semester		
CUAR 156	Nutrition for the Hospitality Professional	3
CUAR 190	Dining Room Management	4
CUAR 233	Advanced Line Prep and Cookery	4
CUAR 179	Wines, Spirits and Beers	3
CUAR Electives		3
Semester Credit Hours		17
Second Year		
Fall Semester		
CUAR 255	Supervision in the Hospitality Industry	3
CUAR 262	Purchasing for the Hospitality Industry	3

ENGL 111	English Composition-GTC01	3
MATH 107	Career Math	3
CUAR Electives		3
Semester Credit Hours		15
Spring Semester		
KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1
KINE Activity		1
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 112	English Composition-GTC02	
SPCH 101	Interpersonal Communications	
SPCH 102	Speechmaking	
CISB 101 or ABUS 257	Business Information Technology or Managing Office Technology I	3
Social and Behavioral Sciences, History, Natural Sciences, Fine Arts or Humanities course		3
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Semester Credit Hours		14
Total Semester Credit Hours		63

Advising Process and DegreeWorks

Documentation on the pages related to this program is intended for informational purposes to help determine what courses and associated requirements are needed to earn a degree. The suggested course sequencing outlines how students could finish degree requirements. Some courses are critical to complete in specific semesters, while others may be moved around. Meeting with an academic advisor is essential in planning courses and altering the suggested course sequencing. It is ultimately the student's responsibility to understand and fulfill the requirements for her/his intended degree(s).

DegreeWorks is an online degree audit tool available in MAVzone. It is the official record used by the Registrar's Office to evaluate progress towards a degree and determine eligibility for graduation. Students are responsible for reviewing their DegreeWorks audit on a regular basis and should discuss questions or concerns with their advisor or academic department head. Discrepancies in requirements should be reported to the Registrar's Office.

Graduation Process

Students must complete the following in the first two months of the semester prior to completing their degree requirements:

- Review their DegreeWorks audit and create a plan that outlines how unmet requirements will be met in the final semester.
- Meet with their advisor and modify their plan as needed. The advisor must approve the final plan.
- Submit the "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office to officially declare the intended graduation date and commencement ceremony plans.
- Register for all needed courses and complete all requirements for each degree sought.

Submission deadlines and commencement details can be found at <http://www.coloradomesa.edu/registrar/graduation.html>.

If a student's petition for graduation is denied, it will be her/his responsibility to consult the Registrar's Office regarding next steps.