



The pineapple has been a universal symbol of hospitality and welcome for centuries, all over the world. The image of the pineapple expresses a sense of welcome, good cheer, human warmth and family affection.

The American Hospitality Academy (AHA) was founded in 1986 and has its corporate headquarters on Hilton Head Island in South Carolina.

The American Hospitality Academy's (AHA) mission is to provide tomorrow's hospitality industry leaders with the practical training, academic knowledge, specialized skills and cultural understanding necessary to succeed in today's global economy while fostering international goodwill and friendship.

AHA-USA offers a career-focused, educational environment that encourages excellence and aims to develop students who are critical thinkers, who demonstrate professionalism, positive attitudes, strong work values, celebrate diversity and have the ability to lead in a multicultural workplace, giving them a competitive edge in the global marketplace.



PROGRAMS OF STUDY

ADVANCED CERTIFICATE IN INTERNATIONAL CULINARY ARTS

AHA-IHMS offers an Advanced Certificate in International Culinary Arts which consists of a 16 week immersion course where the credits received can be transferred into the Higher Diploma program

The Advanced Certificate in International Culinary Arts equips aspiring chefs with the fundamentals of cooking and baking, covering the principles, procedures and techniques in the preparation of different types of food.

Each program offers students a balance of academic and practical skills learning built on a foundation of strong work ethics, positive attitude and values and a desire for excellence, all which are then applied to real world situations through internship at one or more AHA-IHMS industry partner properties.

Diversity in the teaching staff, student body, curriculum and learning opportunities at other schools within the AHA-IHMS global network provides students with an international experience. This experience prepares them to adapt to changing circumstances and supports them in working successfully in multicultural environments. These abilities are highly valued employability traits within the hospitality industry.

Upon successful completion of the programs, it is expected that graduates will have developed:

- The knowledge and practical skills necessary for a career in the hospitality industry.
- The technical skills and product knowledge required in their chosen field.
- An understanding and application of basic supervisory management skills.
- The ability to think logically and communicate clearly.
- An inter-disciplinary approach to problem-solving and decision-making.
- Teamwork and leadership skills relevant to managing a culturally diverse workforce.
- A strong work and service ethic, positive attitude, a sense of responsibility and integrity.
- A global perspective on the operations of the industry, with the ability to think globally and act locally.

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We not only provide students with a strong academic foundation but also give them the practical training, teamwork, leadership and cultural understanding skills they need to function effectively from day one in the workplace, anywhere in the world.

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AHA-IHMS Advanced Certificate in International Culinary Arts (DICA)

16 WEEK PROGRAM

WEEK 1	COURSE	HOURS
	INTRODUCTION TO CULINARY	8
	KITCHEN MATH	8
	PURCHASING	8
	SERVICE BASICS	1
WEEK 2	KITCHEN MATH	8
	PURCHASING	8
	FOOD SANITATION & SAFETY	8
	SERVICE BASICS	1
WEEK 3	FOOD SANITATION & SAFETY	8
	KNIFE SKILLS	16
	SERVICE BASICS	1
WEEK 4	STOCKS, SOUPS, STARCHES	8
	LOCAL CUISINE	8
	NUTRITION	8
	SERVICE BASICS	1
WEEK 5 -7	LOCAL CUISINE	8
	AMERICAN CUISINE & COOKING METHODS	70
	SERVICE BASICS	3
WEEK 8	MIDTERM	16
	REVENUE AND MENU MANAGEMENT	8
	SERVICE BASICS	1
WEEK 9	REVENUE AND MENU	8
	RESTAURANT SERVICE	16
	SERVICE BASICS	1
WEEK 10-11	ASIAN CUISINE	48
	SERVICE BASICS	2
WEEK 12	BREAKFAST COOKERY	24
	SERVICE BASICS	1
WEEK 13-15	EUROPEAN CUISINE	72
	SERVICE BASICS	3
WEEK 16	FINAL EXAM	



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