

Catering and Hospitality

Professional Cookery Level 2 Diploma Full-time (catering)

In Brief

Start Date / Duration

The course starts in September 2024 and lasts for one year.

Entry Requirements

GCSE English and Maths at grade 3 or above or a Level 2 Certificate in Food Preparation and Cookery.

You will achieve

Level 2 Professional Cookery NVQ Diploma (City and Guilds)

Course Overview

This course will develop your practical skills in food preparation and cooking. Lessons take place in our industry-standard kitchens and bakery, plus the Open Kitchen [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/shops-services/the-open-kitchen/>], our commercial restaurant which is open to the public. You will run the afternoon service in our restaurant, working in the kitchen and front-of-house.

Course Content

In the kitchens, our chef lecturers will develop your skills in preparing and cooking meat, fish, poultry, vegetables, soups, stocks and sauces. Once you have mastered the basics, you will expand your skills to look at more complex dishes, for example cooking shellfish and offal. In our bakery, you will produce hot and cold desserts and create biscuits, cakes and sponge products.

You will develop your customer service and front-of-house skills working alongside our professional staff in the Open Kitchen [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/shops-services/the-open-kitchen/>].

Guest chefs will visit to perform demonstrations and you are encouraged to enter external competitions and cater for events. You will also work on live briefs designing specific products or menus.

How will I be assessed?

The course is continually assessed throughout the year with mixture of practical assessments and

multi-choice questions.

What Equipment Will I Need?

You will be expected to wear kitchen whites and restaurant uniform for your classes. There is a cost to your uniform and the equipment you'll need for classes but bursaries are available to help towards this cost – find out if you qualify [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/student-life/financial-support/>].

Where will I study?

Old Mill Lane campus
Church Street
Barnsley
S70 2AX

What can I do next?

Progress on to Level 3 Professional Cookery [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/course/professional-cookery-level-3-full-time/>].

See what careers are available in the Catering [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/app/uploads/2023/10/Catering-careers-2023-24.pdf>] sector. Use our online careers tool, Career Coach [<https://barnsley.lightcastcc.com/?radius=®ion=Barnsley>], to find out what your next steps could be.

How much does the course cost?

There is no cost for students aged 16 to 18.

16 – 18 year olds

Full-time Barnsley College students aged 16-18 years old do not have to pay tuition fees.

Financial support

You may be eligible for assistance with expenses such as travel, books, equipment and childcare. For further information please contact the Student Services Team on +44 (0)1226 216 267.

Extra information

Contact the Information Unit

For further information please contact our friendly Information Team on +44 (0)1226 216 123 or email info@barnsley.ac.uk [<mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk>]

Want to join Barnsley Sports Academy and the Sports Village?

Barnsley College has a range of sports opportunities for all students to take part in, gain

professional training and compete nationally and internationally. We also have a state-of-the-art fitness village, Honeywell Sports Village [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/shops-services/honeywell-sports-village/>] where students can make use of our fitness suite, spinning studio and classes for competitive rates. You don't have to be studying sport to get involved in the Sports Academy [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/barnsley-sports-academy/>].

Additional Learning Support

Our Additional Learning Support team can provide you with the support you need. Please contact them on +44 (0)1226 216 769.

English and Maths

Having good English and Maths qualifications are important for most careers and we want to give you the help you need to succeed.

If you are aged 16 – 19 and don't already have a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths they will automatically be included in your study programme. If you want to work towards higher grades in English and Maths we can help you do that too.

Need a higher level Maths qualification? We offer a [Level 3 Mathematical Studies \(Core Maths\)](#).

This can be added to your study programme.

If you need any further information, please contact our friendly [Information Team](#).

Disclaimer

Please note we reserve the right to change details without notice. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

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