# CULINARY ARTS, PASTRY CHEF SPECIALTY, CERTIFICATE OF TECHNOLOGY



## **Program Information**

Do you love food? Do you enjoy baking? Have a taste for a sweet life in a fast-paced, high-energy career? Dream of being the next celebrity chef? If so, San Jacinto College can help make your dreams come true! Our Pastry Chef program allows you to work within the industry while you build your education. If your ambitions are more specific, you can also choose to specialize as an assistant cook, baker, or baker's helper, or in basic cooking or specialty foods.

The San Jacinto College Pastry Chef program:

- Is a blend of lectures, labs, field trips, guest lecture presentations, networking opportunities, job placement, and a variety of skill sets taught by our state and nationally recognized chefs and professors
- Places emphasis on fundamental and advanced culinary arts techniques and hands-on, real-world learning through working with our program director, faculty, managers, and chefs through various educational scenarios and special events
- Offers field trips to local culinary events, food shows, and conventions

Accreditation by American Culinary Federation Education Foundation Accrediting Commission (ACFEFAC) assures that a program is meeting at least a minimum of standards and competencies set for faculty, curriculum, and student services.

#### **Additional Information**

San Jacinto College offers scholarship opportunities, financial aid, a culinary club, and participation in a variety of culinary competitions.

## **Career Opportunities**

- · Cake Decorator,
- Owner/Operator Bakery,
- Bed and Breakfast Operator,
- · Pastry Chef/Baker,
- · Executive Pastry Chef,
- · Pastry Sous Chef, and
- · Cruise Line Pastry Chef.

## **Earning Potential**

Baker: \$30,447<sup>1</sup>

Source: texaswages.com (http://texaswages.com), median salary Gulf Coast region, 2023

For more information, students may contact North campus at 281-998-6350, x7150.

#### **Campus**

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