BTC's programs in Culinary Arts are ideal for students with a passion for food and pastry and an interest in the fast-growing food service industry.

You’ll be taught by an award-winning faculty and learn the skills you need to function as a professional in this fast-paced field. BTC's Culinary Arts program offers the highest quality culinary education available, and you can put yours to work in a wide range of restaurants, bakeries, pastry shops, schools and universities, hospitals, and catering companies.

The employment outlook is very strong for program graduates. Skilled workers in Culinary Arts are in high demand, with an average placement rate of 92% within nine months of graduation.*

BTC Degree Options

Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree: A two-year associate degree that allows you to go directly to work in your field.

Transitioning to BTC: BTC accepts both traditional and non-traditional credit for equivalency to BTC courses on a case-by-case basis. Contact Admissions at admissions@btc.edu or call 360.752.8345

Learn more: www.btc.edu/transfers

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*Wage & Employment Data Sources

If you love cooking, have a passion for food and have always dreamed of being a chef, then Bellingham Technical College’s Culinary Arts associate degree program is for you. BTC’s Culinary Arts program and certificate are ideal for students with cooking skills and an interest in the fast-growing food service industry.

You’ll receive training from award-winning faculty in state-of-the-art kitchens and get the skills and experience you’ll need to get top jobs in the fast-paced culinary field. Hone your culinary arts skills and gain training in every aspect of food service – from chef to restaurant manager to hostess – at BTC’s Café Culinaire, where students run the International Buffet in winter quarter and a full-service a la carte restaurant in spring.

Culinary Arts program graduates prepare for careers as sous-chefs; line, pantry, and prep cooks; bakers; deli workers; food managers; and caterers. The nearly unlimited list of potential food service employers includes restaurants, hotels, catering companies, industrial cafeterias, hospitals, schools, bakeries, and pastry shops.

### Culinary Arts
#### Associate of Applied Science Degree
- Program Length: 7 quarters

#### Associate of Applied Science – Transfer Degree

### Culinary Arts
#### Certificate of Completion
- Program Length: 3 quarters

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**About Bellingham Technical College**

Bellingham Technical College has been training students for in-demand, high-paying careers for more than 65 years. At BTC, the focus is always on our students and helping them succeed. We’re proud to have one of the highest graduation rates of all public two-year colleges in Washington state, as well as high job-placement rates for our graduates.

At our vibrant campus in the heart of Bellingham, we educate a diverse population of over 3,700 students in 50 degrees, 41 certificate programs and two bachelor of applied science degrees.

**Bellingham Technical College’s mission is to provide student-centered, high-quality professional technical education for today’s needs and tomorrow’s opportunities.**

BTC students prepare for careers in many areas, including high-demand fields such as advanced manufacturing, engineering, nursing, accounting and more.

Smaller classes mean your instructors really know you, and our lectures are reinforced in the lab, whether it is in a fast-paced kitchen, on the welding floor, or in a salmon hatchery.

**At every step, you’ll know that BTC’s faculty and employees are here to support you in pursuit of your professional goals.**

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Bellingham Technical College would like to acknowledge that our service area today is within the usual and accustomed lands of the Lhaq’temish or Xwlelin (Lummi) Nation, and of the Noxws’aʔaq (NookSack) Tribe of the Coast Salish peoples, as well as the original territory of the sʔémaʔ (Samish) Indian Tribe. Our respect and gratitude go to our indigenous neighbors, whose care and protection of the land and water continues to this day.