

Course Description

FSS1202C | Food Production 1 | 3.00 credits

This course is an introductory kitchen lab experience in which students will be provided hands-on orientation to tools, equipment, recipe production, measurements, knife cut techniques and basic cooking procedures. Students will practice classic cooking methods, product identification and the functions of the production kitchen in a "green" team environment. Corequisite: FSS1200

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will be able to identify food products, kitchen equipment, and food preparation techniques by:

- 1. Demonstrating classic knife skills, hand tools, and equipment operation
- 2. Identifying and using utensils, stoves, mixers, ovens, and essential kitchen equipment
- 3. Identifying food products, including herbs, spices, meats, seafood, poultry, meats, cheeses, legumes, and vegetables
- 4. Utilizing standard weights and measures and demonstrating proper scaling and measurement techniques
- 5. Evaluating the quality of sautéed, fried, poached, steamed, grilled, roasted, and braised food products
- 6. Understanding the function and importance of the green principles and technologies used in the facilities
- 7. Identifying industry standard plate presentations and food styling

Competency 2: The student will be able to apply the principles of safety in the kitchen by:

- 1. Demonstrating safe knife skills, equipment operation, and maintaining emergency first aid equipment and supplies
- 2. Demonstrating CPR techniques and procedures
- 3. Documenting details of an emergency procedure
- 4. Utilizing and updating material safety data sheets
- 5. Understanding the proper procedures for requesting fire, police, and emergency medical services as needed
- 6. Practicing appropriate personal appearance and attitude
- 7. Demonstrating effective communication in the kitchen between the chef and students

Competency 3: The student will learn basic food preparation and cooking techniques by:

- 1. Demonstrating problem-solving, critical thinking, and decision-making strategies in the kitchen
- 2. Identifying the primary components of a recipe, standardized recipe, and recipe conversions utilizing industry-standard software
- 3. Preparing a variety of proteins using sautéing, braising, poaching, roasting, stewing, grilling, and steaming cooking methods
- 4. Evaluating the quality of herbs, spices, oils, vinegar, condiments, marinades, and rubs
- 5. Preparing stocks, mother sauces, small sauces, and soups
- 6. Preparing a variety of fruits, vegetables, starches, legumes, and grains using the basic cooking methods
- 7. Preparing a variety of sandwiches, breakfast foods, and salads

Learning Outcomes:

- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information
- Demonstrate knowledge of diverse cultures including global and historical perspectives

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