



Chef Training Program

Employment and Training Department

Overview

For more than 30 years, the Chinese American Service League's Chef Training Program has successfully trained and placed over 1,500 students in full time culinary positions, most of which offer benefits packages. Graduates are placed in one of the over 100 culinary industry employers who partner with us, such as:

Peninsula Chicago
 Four Seasons
 Fairmont Hotel
 Evanston Hospital
 Northwestern University
 Flying Food Group

Hyatt Group
 Langham Chicago
 Blackstone Hotel
 Mercy Hospital
 Gate Gourmet
 Aramark Food Service

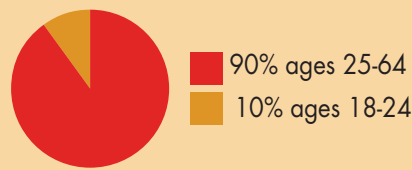
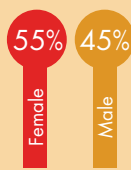
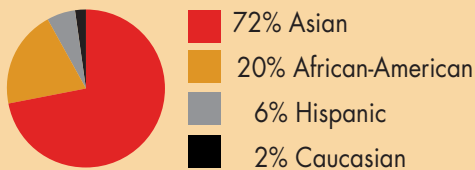
Hilton Group
 Trump Tower
 Northwestern Hospital
 Loyola University
 Illinois Institute of Technology
 Tyson Foods Inc.

University of Chicago
 University of Chicago Hospital
 University of Illinois at Chicago Hospital

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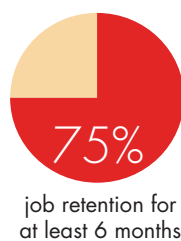
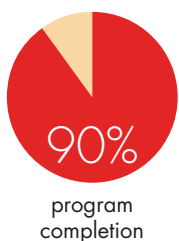
- 16-weeks of basic culinary training and hands-on experience in Continental European cuisine
- Chicago and Illinois Food Sanitation certification
- Vocational English as a Second Language (VESL)
- Transportation stipend and linkage to other CASL services like childcare
- Pre-employment counseling, job placement, and 6 month employment retention services
- Tuition fees waved for qualifying low-income individuals
- Must be at least 18 years old, and a Cook County resident
- 18 student max capacity per class

Demographics



99.9%
are LOW INCOME

Annual Average Outcomes



\$693,000

in annual economic impact in the form of living wages

\$290,000

annually saved in unemployment and other public benefits