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WELCOME TO DUBAI COLLEGE OF TOURISM

DCT is the first tourism-based vocational college in Dubai. Our mission is to create a workforce of enthusiastic, well-trained professionals for the industry as Dubai aims to become a Top 3 global destination for visitors across leisure, business, and specialised services.

“Our goal is to provide you with a deeply rewarding and truly remarkable vocational-based education that combines classroom theory with hands-on “real world” experiences while challenging you to attain your full potential.”



Our college brings together a dynamic industry advisory board comprised of industry professionals with expertise spanning across our faculties: Tourism, Events, Hospitality and Culinary Arts. Together, we recognise that our responsibility extends beyond the bricks and mortar of our classrooms and learning laboratories. It encompasses the overall quality of your learning experience, requiring the constant updating of our courses to ensure they are current and relevant in an ever-changing world. To this end, it is also our guaranteed internships, strong practical learning focus and the opportunity to progress into recognised degree pathways and qualifications that set DCT students apart and prepares them for their future careers.

We will strive every day to provide you with an exceptional learning experience and create lifelong opportunities. This will enable us to become the premier vocational training college in Dubai and the MENA.

Sincerely,

Essa Bin Hadher
General Manager
Dubai College of Tourism



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WHY DCT?

THE DUBAI COLLEGE OF TOURISM

EMPOWERED
TODAY.
EMPLOYED
TOMORROW.

Dubai College of Tourism (DCT) is **Dubai's premier tourism and hospitality college**, created to give you both the theoretical knowledge and practical skills to succeed in your career. **Established by Dubai's Department of Economy and Tourism (DET)** to be a **world-class vocational college** through a variety of initiatives such as industry site visits, guest lectures, internship placements, and volunteering opportunities, **DCT provides a hands-on approach that is unrivalled within the industry.**

DCT also offers clear international progression pathways through partnerships with leading universities. Students who complete the Advanced Diploma in Tourism and Hotel Management can progress to bachelor's degree programmes at either **Edinburgh Napier University (UK)** or **Eastern Mediterranean University (Cyprus)**, with opportunities to continue their studies on campus or online, depending on the programme.

Culinary Arts students can also progress directly to the final year of the Bachelor's Degree in Gastronomy and Culinary Arts at Eastern Mediterranean University, continuing their studies through an internationally recognised degree.

WHY CHOOSE DCT?

PRACTICAL, SKILLS-BASED LEARNING EXPERIENCE

DCT is dedicated to educating and empowering the next generation of tourism and hospitality professionals: the future leaders, entrepreneurs and employees of Dubai's expanding tourism and hospitality industry.

Following the Technical and Vocational Education Training (TVET) framework, our full-time programme offering provides theoretical and practical knowledge and skills-based training in the following four areas: **Tourism, Hospitality, Events and Culinary Arts.**

With mandatory long-term internships providing even greater hands-on experience, these programmes are ideal preparation for success within the industry and for personal and professional growth.

INDUSTRY-LED COURSES AND CONNECTIONS

The curriculum has been designed with industry support to have a strong focus on practical involvement and provide opportunities for students to make industry connections.

With day trips, site visits, industry guest speakers, guaranteed industry internships and volunteering opportunities at some of the city's most renowned events, DCT students experience a truly unique educational journey.



INTERNSHIPS AND JOB PLACEMENTS

It's not just theoretical learning, but practical, working knowledge that leads to career success. Internships not only allow students to get work experience in a real-life environment, but also enable them to start their career with greater ability and confidence.

DCT partners with some of the leading names in the industry to provide students with the best internship opportunities and guarantees a 6-week industry internship to all eligible first-year students, as well as a 4-month internship to all eligible second year students. Internships at DCT are a mandatory part of the course for all students; they are credit bearing as students practice the skills and ideas learnt in class.

ACCREDITED QUALIFICATIONS

DCT is an accredited training provider of the UAE Ministry of Education and its curriculum is validated by the National Qualification Centre (NQC) against the UAE National Qualification Framework.

DCT is also an approved vocational college by Dubai's Department of Knowledge and Human Development (KHDA).



During my internship at the Sheraton Grand Hotel Dubai, I had the incredible opportunity to work for the very first time at a Marriott Hotel. I was based in the Executive Lounge on the 31st floor, where I was exposed to two pivotal roles: Guest Relations Agent, and Club Lounge Waiter. **I learned valuable skills in guest relations, problem-solving and providing excellent service.** This experience has not only deepened my understanding of the hospitality industry but also honed my ability to work under pressure and adapt to dynamic environments. **I believe this internship has provided me with a solid foundation for my future career.**

LAKSH KHANCHANDANI, DCT Hospitality Graduate 2023

A VIBRANT AND CENTRAL CAMPUS LOCATION

Students study in a purpose-built college facility at Dubai's Department of Economy and Tourism headquarters.

This unique location provides students with proximity to the industry and a vibrant working environment that will inspire and educate them while introducing them to the everyday practices of the industry.

The campus is conveniently located at One Central on Sheikh Zayed Road between the Dubai International Convention and Exhibition Centre and Emirates Towers, and is a **ten-minute walk from the Dubai World Trade Centre metro station.** This vibrant location at the epicenter of Dubai's events, business and hospitality industries provides an unrivalled environment for students to be based.



THE DCT KITCHEN

Culinary Arts students will conduct their practical sessions at the **DCT Kitchen, a fully-equipped professional teaching facility located at Meydan Grandstand, consisting of 3 hot kitchens and a pastry kitchen.**



YOUR PATHWAY TO A UK DEGREE AT DUBAI COLLEGE OF TOURISM

EARN A UK BACHELOR'S DEGREE WITH EDINBURGH NAPIER UNIVERSITY

Dubai College of Tourism (DCT) has partnered with Edinburgh Napier University (ENU) to offer a unique academic pathway. Students can complete an Advanced Diploma in Tourism and Hotel Management, or Event Management at DCT, and then transition directly into Year 3 of selected ENU undergraduate programmes.

Edinburgh Napier
UNIVERSITY



Why Choose This Pathway?

Seamless Transition

After completing your Advanced Diploma at DCT, you can progress to Edinburgh Napier University (ENU) and graduate with a UK bachelor's degree. Ranked Top 10 in the UK for Hospitality, Event Management and Tourism (Guardian GUG 2023), ENU strengthens this pathway by combining DCT's hands-on, industry-focused learning with the academic recognition of a leading UK university.

Internationally Recognised Degree

A bachelor's degree from Edinburgh Napier University is respected worldwide and opens doors to global career opportunities. Students have the option to study in Edinburgh, a world-renowned tourist destination and festival city, while benefiting from ENU's strong industry connections, visiting professors from the sector, and its Tourism Research Centre, which focuses on driving positive impact across the tourism industry.

Career-Ready Experience

Both DCT and ENU programmes are designed to prepare you for real careers. You will develop job-ready skills through practical training and internships at DCT, then build on this foundation at ENU through advanced coursework, research-led insights and strategic learning, equipping you for leadership roles in tourism, hospitality, and events across international markets.



HOW IT WORKS

Start at DCT

Begin your journey by completing an Advanced Diploma at Dubai College of Tourism in one of the following programmes:

- Tourism and Hotel Management
- Event Management

These programmes combine hands-on training, industry exposure and practical learning designed to prepare you for real-world careers.

Progress to Edinburgh Napier University

Upon successful completion of your Advanced Diploma, you can transfer directly into Year 3 of your chosen undergraduate programme at Edinburgh Napier University. This allows you to build on the strong foundation developed at DCT while gaining an internationally recognised qualification.

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Graduate with a UK Bachelor's Degree

At ENU, students can choose to continue their studies either:

- On campus in the UK for Years 3 and 4
- Online through the BA Business Management Year 3 Top-Up option

Graduates earn a UK bachelor's degree that opens doors to career opportunities locally and internationally across tourism, hospitality and events.

Available Degree Options

For Tourism and Hotel Management graduates:

- BA (Hons) in International Tourism Management (Years 3 & 4, UK)

- BA (Hons) in International Hospitality Management (Years 3 & 4, UK)

- BA in Business Management (Year 3 Top-Up, Online)

For Event Management graduates:

- BA (Hons) in International Festival and Event Management (Years 3 & 4, UK)

- BA in Business Management (Year 3 Top-Up, Online)

YOUR PATHWAY TO A EUROPEAN DEGREE AT DUBAI COLLEGE OF TOURISM

Start your degree at DCT and finish it in Europe. Through our partnership with Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) in Cyprus, eligible DCT graduates progress to the final year of an internationally recognised bachelor's degree.

Two pathways are available:

Culinary Arts graduates: BA in Gastronomy and Culinary Arts

Tourism & Hotel Management graduates: BSc in Tourism Management
or BSc in Recreation Management



**Eastern
Mediterranean
University**



WHY CHOOSE THE EMU PATHWAY?

Direct Entry into the Final Year

Eligible DCT graduates move straight into the final year of their EMU degree.

Globally Recognised University

EMU is ranked among the world's top universities for Hospitality & Tourism Management (ShanghaiRanking Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2025).

International Study Experience

Complete your degree in Cyprus and live within a diverse international student community.

Industry-Focused Learning

Study in modern facilities and build skills aligned with the global tourism, hospitality and culinary sectors.

Take Your Career Further

Graduate with a bachelor's degree from EMU and strengthen your career options at home and abroad.



ABOUT EMU

Established in 1979, the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) is a leading public university with a vibrant, multicultural campus community of students from more than 100 countries. Ranked among the world's top 75 universities for Hospitality and Tourism Management (ShanghaiRanking Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2025), EMU offers internationally recognised, English-taught programmes on a modern campus with excellent academic, sporting and student facilities.

DEGREE INFORMATION

BA in Gastronomy and Culinary Arts (Final-Year Entry / Top-Up)

Focuses on gastronomy and culinary arts to develop academic knowledge and professional skills for the culinary and food sector. Taught in English by qualified staff with sector experience, across both theory and practice.

BSc in Tourism Management (Final-Year Entry)

Focuses on the planning, operation and management of tourism and travel services. Taught in English.

BSc in Recreation Management (Final-Year Entry)

Complete your bachelor's in the management of leisure, events and recreation services. Taught in English.

Student Accommodation

EMU offers accommodation on or near campus to support international students throughout their study.

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DESTINATION DUBAI

TAKE THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS A BRIGHT FUTURE

Live, learn and thrive in the heart of a world-leading tourism destination, which is also one of the world's safest cities.

Once a small fishing village in the Arabian Gulf, Dubai is one of the most cosmopolitan cities in the world today. **Home to over 200 nationalities**, it offers a truly memorable experience to visitors and residents. Whether it is by the banks of the Creek, or **at the top of the Burj Khalifa—the world's tallest building**—Dubai lives and breathes a sense of possibility and innovation. And with an unparalleled coastline, beautiful desert and magnificent cityscapes, memories are just waiting to be made here.

A future-forward city with a reputation for pioneering innovation, **Dubai is also home to a multicultural community of innovators, entrepreneurs and visionary game changers.** It is a place where aspirations become reality. **By studying in Dubai, you'll not only gain a world-class education but also become an active player in shaping the future, whatever your chosen field or interest.**

Dubai is the first city to be named Tripadvisor's #1 Top Destination in the world for three consecutive years. (2022, 2023 and 2024.)



DCT's focus on career development is commendable. The college offers various opportunities for internships, industry exposure and networking events, which greatly contribute to the employability of its graduates. Thanks to DCT, I am now well-prepared to embark on a successful career in the hospitality industry.

RUDREN NITIN PATIL, International student and DCT Hospitality Graduate 2023

Dubai is one of the leading tourism and hospitality destinations in the world, and currently ranks 1st regionally and 2nd globally in the Top 100 City Destinations Index 2022 @Euromonitor International.

Immerse yourself in a dynamic learning environment that fosters growth and excellence.

The rapid growth of Dubai's tourism industry means that there are more employment opportunities in this sector, in addition to the practical focus of the courses at DCT, will open doors to the industry's top employers.

Strategic Location

Explore new perspectives and gain a global outlook during your time as a student here. Dubai is a regional hub for the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region and beyond.

A global transit hub with a transportation infrastructure, Dubai ranks alongside other megacities when it comes to connectivity.

Dubai's Metro provides efficient and accessible transport links across the city, giving you the opportunity to explore all the attractions and amenities that Dubai has to offer.

The city also leads in terms of mobile connectivity with free public WiFi and 5G ... great for keeping in touch with family and friends back home!

QUALITY OF LIFE

Enjoy a high standard of living with world-class amenities, state-of-the-art infrastructure and a safe environment. From stunning architecture to pristine beaches, Dubai offers a unique balance between academic pursuits and leisure activities.

Dubai has long held a reputation as one of the safest cities in the world, which was reinforced by a 2023 report from Numbeo, an international provider of data on economic and social subjects. According to Numbeo's data-driven report, Dubai is the fifth safest city in the world, with an overall safety index of 83.7.

When you study in Dubai, you are spoilt for choice because there's so much to explore. Download the Visit Dubai mobile app to find out what the city has to offer and access live entertainment news and events listings.

DOWNLOAD
THE VISIT
DUBAI
MOBILE APP



RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

From traditional souks to modern shopping malls, desert safaris to water sports, Dubai has something for everyone. Embark on a journey of cultural exploration and exhilarating adventures outside your academic routine.

Access to a healthy lifestyle is part of Dubai's quest to become the world's most active city, and outside of the classroom there is a huge variety of activities to try, whether you're a keen athlete or weekend workout type. From watersport centres, gyms and yoga studios, to an Olympic standard ice rink in Dubai Mall and the dedicated ski and snowboarding slope in Ski Dubai, there is something for everyone! Football, Basketball, Tennis and Padel courts are plenty, and for adrenalin adventure seekers: zip line thrills, hot air ballooning, parkour and sky diving are on offer.

DCT students also get the opportunity to volunteer at the many citywide events that take place during the Dubai Fitness Challenge, the city's annual fitness festival that invites everyone to complete 30 minutes of activity every day, for 30 days.



CULTURAL DIVERSITY

Experience a unique blend of traditional Emirati heritage and modern cosmopolitan lifestyle. Engage with people from all walks of life and broaden your horizons while studying in this vibrant city.

Cultural pursuits come in many forms and Dubai is spoilt for choice. Home to state-of-the-art stadiums, including the new Coca-Cola Arena and the stunning Dubai Opera, as well as cosy local venues, the city is a world tour stop-off for bestselling international musicians, theatre troupes, ballet companies and top DJs. Be enthralled by popular homegrown attractions, such as the mesmerising La Perle by Dragone stage spectacle and The Dubai Fountain's awe-inspiring light, water and sound show, enjoy a comedy night, or catch a Hollywood, Bollywood or Nollywood movie.



FOOD

All appetites, cultures and budgets are catered for in Dubai with a choice of thousands of cafés, food trucks and restaurants reflecting the multicultural cuisine of its 200+ resident nationalities. Halal, vegetarian, vegan, gluten free, carnivore or pescatarian – everything is on the menu.



WORKING AS A STUDENT

On a student visa, students can work part-time and/or seek internships —paid or unpaid— during holiday periods.

The government-approved job site, **OLIV.COM**, is a good resource for student employment opportunities. Gain invaluable real-life experience by working part-time in the fashion industry, supporting major exhibitions, and welcoming guests at theme parks!

Join us in Dubai and unlock a world of endless possibilities for academic, personal and professional growth. Your transformative educational experience begins here at Dubai College of Tourism.



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APPROVED
JOB SITE



STUDENT LIFE

At Dubai College of Tourism, we foster a nurturing community that stands by you from day one, guiding you through every step until graduation and beyond. We provide a comprehensive array of support services to ensure all students seamlessly transition into college life, hone their skills and actively engage with the vibrant student community.

INTRODUCING YOU TO COLLEGE LIFE

Join us for an immersive college orientation week as you embark on your academic journey. **Delve into essential programme details, college policies and services including careers, IT and well-being.** Plus, bond with fellow students through exciting team-building activities and outings meant to foster lasting social connections.

Let's kickstart your college experience with knowledge, camaraderie and fun!



STUDENT WELL-BEING

Navigating college life can be challenging, but at DCT, we focus on student well-being and understand the pressures that may arise to impact academic and personal spheres. DCT provides a dedicated student well-being lead, to cultivate a caring and inclusive atmosphere.



ACADEMIC ADVISORS

Embarking on their learning journey at DCT, each student is paired with a designated 'Academic Advisor'. These advisors play a pivotal role in guiding students towards their academic aspirations, with scheduled meetings at least once per term.

Academic Advisors provide ongoing support and are readily available to offer any additional assistance that may be needed.



STUDENT COUNCIL

At DCT, the student council stands as a cornerstone of student life, chosen annually through student elections. Its primary aim is to catalyse collaboration between students and faculty to elevate the college experience. **The Council champions collective ownership and participatory decision-making, guiding pivotal aspects of campus life, including policy refinement and student engagement initiatives, such as clubs, projects and forums.**



ACCOMMODATION

YOUR HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Coming to Dubai to study might be your first time living away from home or perhaps a new adventure in the UAE. It's really important to us that you feel at home during your time here. Whether you choose to live in purpose-built student accommodation, commute from home or find private housing, our student support staff will be with you every step of the way.

Your journey at Dubai College of Tourism extends beyond the classroom, so you deserve a space to unwind and maximize your leisure time. If you are planning on living away from home, you have access to a diverse selection of secure and contemporary housing choices in Dubai. DCT collaborates with specialized student housing providers, ensuring access to en-suite accommodation within shared apartments.

These apartments feature both single and double occupancy rooms, catering to individual preferences and needs. Such accommodation usually provides amenities like communal areas, game rooms and fitness centers, along with inclusive basic services such as Wi-Fi and utilities. Our accommodation partners also provide complimentary* shuttle services at key times between the DCT campus and the residences.

The DCT team is ready to assist you by suggesting accommodation partners or private providers tailored to your specific needs and requirements.

**Based on a minimum number of students.*

COST OF ACCOMMODATION

The accommodation expenses will vary based on your chosen lifestyle. Typically, accommodation providers will request an upfront rent deposit, meaning you will need to account for this in order to secure your accommodation in addition to your monthly budget.



INDUSTRY CONNECT

At DCT, we recognise that success in your career is more than just grasping concepts—it's about hands-on experience that sets you apart. Our unique advantage lies in offering students immersive training led by industry experts, personalized mentorship from dedicated educators and valuable internships as part of our curriculum.

Internships

At DCT, we guarantee a 6-week industry internship for all eligible Certificate level students and two 4-month internships for Advanced Diploma level students. These internships are not only mandatory but also credit-bearing, essential for graduation. They provide an opportunity to apply classroom learning to real-world scenarios, equipping you with the skills and confidence to kickstart your career.

With internships at DCT, you gain practical experience that sets you up for success in the competitive job market.



Site visits

Your theory lessons will come to life through regular visits to some of Dubai's most prestigious hotels, event venues and tourism attractions.

If you're passionate about culinary arts, you'll explore a multitude of professional kitchens, markets and farms to help you immerse yourself in hands-on experiences.

Instructors

Our instructors are enthusiastic and engaging professionals with years of industry experience. Many still work in their specific alongside their teaching commitments, meaning they are up to date with industry trends and are able to give real and relevant insight into the workplace. They also have many contacts in the industry who visit classes as guest speakers to bring topics to life.



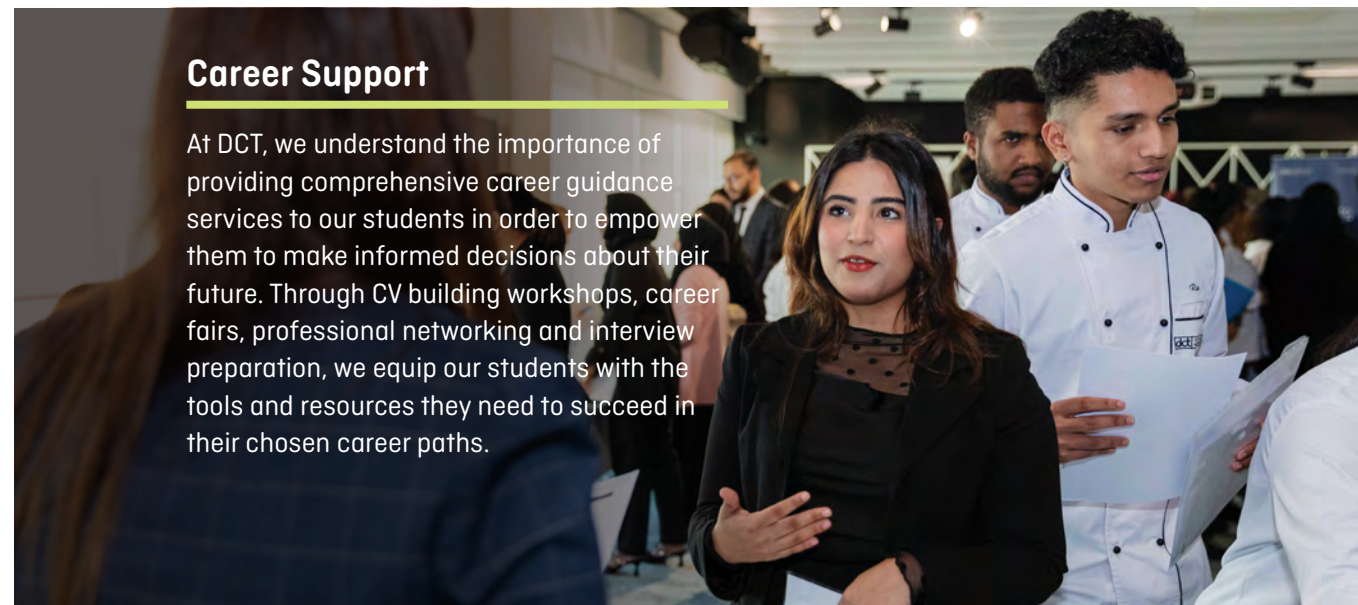
Volunteering

All students at DCT are given the opportunity to participate in a series of volunteering opportunities at some of the most prestigious events in Dubai and the UAE, including Dubai Fitness Challenge, Dubai Food Festival, Dubai World Cup, Dubai Fashion Week, Formula One and Arabian Travel Market.



Career Support

At DCT, we understand the importance of providing comprehensive career guidance services to our students in order to empower them to make informed decisions about their future. Through CV building workshops, career fairs, professional networking and interview preparation, we equip our students with the tools and resources they need to succeed in their chosen career paths.



RECOGNITION FOR YOUR QUALIFICATION

UAE ACCREDITATION

DCT is an Accredited Training Provider (ATP) under the UAE's Ministry of Education, acknowledging the calibre of our educational offerings that are designed to stretch and push students to reach their potential and support the service industry in Dubai.

Scan here to see the National Qualification Centre (NQC) Listings.



OUR ACTIVITIES ARE OFFICIALLY LICENSED IN DUBAI UNDER A VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PERMIT ISSUED BY THE **KNOWLEDGE AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (KHDA)**, WHO ALSO ACT AS DCT'S AWARDING BODY.

What does this mean for you?

- Nationally recognised qualification.
- Pathways to both national and international colleges and universities.
- Credit-bearing certificate and transcript upon graduation, awarded by KHDA.

INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION

THE INSTITUTE OF HOSPITALITY: Our qualifications in **Hospitality, Tourism, Culinary Arts** and **Events** are internationally accredited by the UK-based Institute of Hospitality (IoH). IoH are recognised as the premier global professional membership organisation for hospitality professionals with numerous awards and accolades.

THE WORLD ASSOCIATION OF CHEFS' SOCIETIES:

DCT is a member of the World Association of Chefs' Societies, a global network of chefs associations dedicated to maintaining and improving the culinary standards of global cuisines. The programme recognises educational companies, associations and institutions worldwide which offer culinary and pastry arts courses that meet and exceed global standards for quality culinary education, as established by the Worldchefs Education Committee.

Professional Memberships

THE-ICE: Dubai College of Tourism is currently an Observer of the International Centre of Excellence in Tourism and Hospitality Education (THE-ICE), an international accreditation agency and a global network of leading quality tourism, hospitality, events and culinary arts institutions.

AMFORHT: The World Association for Hospitality and Tourism Education and Training (AMFORHT) are focused on encouraging vocational colleges and universities in the field to collaborate, form partnerships and share best practices worldwide.

AEME: The Association for Events Management Education (AEME) aims to advance events education in the UK and globally.

CHRIE: The Council on Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Education (CHRIE) is a non-profit professional association dedicated to enhancing the quality of global education, research, service and business operations within the hospitality and tourism industries.





TOURISM

Tourism has swiftly emerged as one of the main contributors to economic growth in Dubai. The rapid expansion within this sector has paved the way for an array of exciting career opportunities.



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With its spectacular coastline, beautiful desert and magnificent architecture, **Dubai offers a wide selection of attractions to suit different traveller interests. These range from shopping malls like Dubai Mall, which boasts an indoor aquarium and an ice-skating rink, to cultural sites such as the Dubai Museum and traditional souks, as well as experiences like sunset cruises and desert safaris.**



No.1

Ranked No.1 for foreign direct investment (FDI) in tourism projects, according to FDI Markets.

Over 18 million

International overnight visitors in 2024 according to DET' data.

3rd

Most visited city in the world in 2023 according to Euromonitor International.

Our Tourism programme equips you with both theoretical business acumen and on-the-ground operational understanding of the industry, providing you with the confidence to effectively navigate real-world scenarios.

As a professional in the tourism field, your daily tasks may involve crafting travel adventures, fostering industry connections, supervising creative teams and overseeing business operations all within a single day. **This career offers a dynamic journey that allows you to follow your passion wherever it may lead.**

Dubai's Department of Economy and Tourism.

WHY STUDY TOURISM WITH US?

Develop Work-Ready Skills: From learning how to use global distribution systems to developing tour guiding skills and gaining insight into tourism operations, you will graduate from DCT with a multitude of practical, **work-ready skills** to add to your CV.

Industry Connections: Our college is located within the headquarters of Dubai's Department of Economy and Tourism (DET), where key activities take place, such as **marketing Dubai as a global tourist destination** and setting the Emirate's strategic tourism and economic objectives.



HOW WILL YOU BE TAUGHT?

Hands-On Vocational Training: At DCT, we place a large emphasis on **hands-on training and skills-based learning**, both of which allow you to actively **engage with tools**, equipment and materials relevant to your chosen field.

Simulations and Role-Plays: Whether it's managing customer interactions, making travel bookings for customers or holding difficult conversations with team members, these activities **help you develop confidence, communication skills and decision-making abilities** needed for success in your profession.

Site Visits and Guest Speakers: Site visits to tourism attractions and workplaces across Dubai, industry facilities and events provide you with first-hand exposure to the industry and its different work environments, processes and technologies. **Guest speakers who are industry professionals** offer valuable insights, perspectives and expertise that supplement classroom learning and **expose you to diverse career pathways and opportunities.**



CERTIFICATE 3 IN TOURISM OPERATIONS, YEAR 1

WHAT WILL YOU STUDY?

Our 1-year Certificate programme delves into a range of subject-specific and core business modules, both practical and theoretical, ensure you are equipped with a strong foundation of knowledge, skills and competencies to excel in a range of professional roles. Tourism-specific modules include Introduction to the Tourism Industry, Global Destinations, Tour Guiding and Travel Agency Operations. The Tourism industry covers a number of different sectors, meaning that you will also be introduced to the fundamentals of Events and Hospitality.

Additionally, you will study a range of core subjects, such as **Career Preparation, Business Fundamentals, Finance Accounting and Control, Service Skills Fundamentals and Marketing and Sustainability.** All students undertake a guaranteed and credit-bearing 6-week industry internship at the end of the academic year.



DCT has significantly influenced my understanding of the dynamic tourism industry. The teachers not only educate but mentor, fostering an environment of curiosity and growth. Hands-on experiences, including internships, provide valuable insights and strengthen practical skills. I feel well-prepared to tackle challenges in the tourism sector and am grateful for the education I received. **I wholeheartedly recommend Dubai College of Tourism to aspiring professionals in the field.**

FADYA MOHAMMED, DCT Tourism Alumni, Class of 2022.
Now working in **Digital Marketing, eCommerce & Distribution**, at Emirates Airlines.

Entry Requirements

Mandatory



Preferred

- Successful DCT interview.
- Achieving a pass in the DCT Numeracy and Literacy assessments.
- Students must be 17 years old by the start of the academic year.
- High school graduation certificate.

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CAREER



ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN TOURISM AND HOTEL MANAGEMENT, YEARS 2 & 3

After completing the Certificate programme, you may progress to our Advanced Diploma in Tourism and Hotel Management, provided you meet the entry requirements. This programme brings together Tourism and Hospitality students to reflect how closely the two industries are connected: Tourism focuses on travel experiences, while hospitality delivers exceptional service and accommodation. Together, they shape the global travel and leisure sector.

The Advanced Diploma equips you with a comprehensive skill set to excel across both fields. Tourism-stream students will explore modules such as Research Special Interest: Tourism in the UAE and Changing Patterns of Tourism Across the Globe.

All students will study shared subjects, including **Developing Knowledge of the**

Luxury Industry, Managing Reputation in the Service Industry and Planning and Coordinating In-House Events.

You will also be introduced to essential business-focused modules designed for today's evolving workplace, including Digital Marketing, Entrepreneurship, Budgets and Forecasts, Project Management, Leading a Team and Strategic Management.

At Advanced Diploma level, you will complete two guaranteed, credit-bearing internships, each lasting four to six months. These extended placements allow you to make meaningful contributions, rotate across departments, build industry relationships and gain deep insights into different operational areas.

EARN AN INTERNATIONAL BACHELOR'S DEGREE

Complete DCT's Advanced Diploma in Tourism and Hotel Management, then progress to a bachelor's degree through one of our international university partners.

Edinburgh Napier University (UK)

- BA (Hons) International Tourism Management (Years 3 & 4)
- BA (Hons) International Hospitality Management (Years 3 & 4)
- BA Business Management (Year 3 Top-Up – Online)

Eastern Mediterranean University (Cyprus)

- BSc in Tourism Management (Year 4)
- BSc in Recreation Management (Year 4)

*A dedicated application link will provided by ENU for DCT graduates for September and January intakes.

WHAT DO OUR GRADUATES DO?

Tourism graduates possess a diverse skill set that enables them to pursue various career paths within the tourism and hospitality industries, as well as related sectors.

Studying Tourism will prepare you for a job such as:

- Travel Agent or Consultant
- Tourism Marketing Executive
- Tourism Board Executive
- Customer Service Manager
- Resort Activities Coordinator
- Flight Attendant
- Tour Guide
- Guest Services Manager
- Tour Operator
- Cruise Agent

DCT Tourism graduates secure jobs in many organisations across Dubai, including:

Emirates Airline	Hilton	Marriott	Arab Fashion Council
Marina Boat Tours	TEC Events	Jumeirah	Emaar

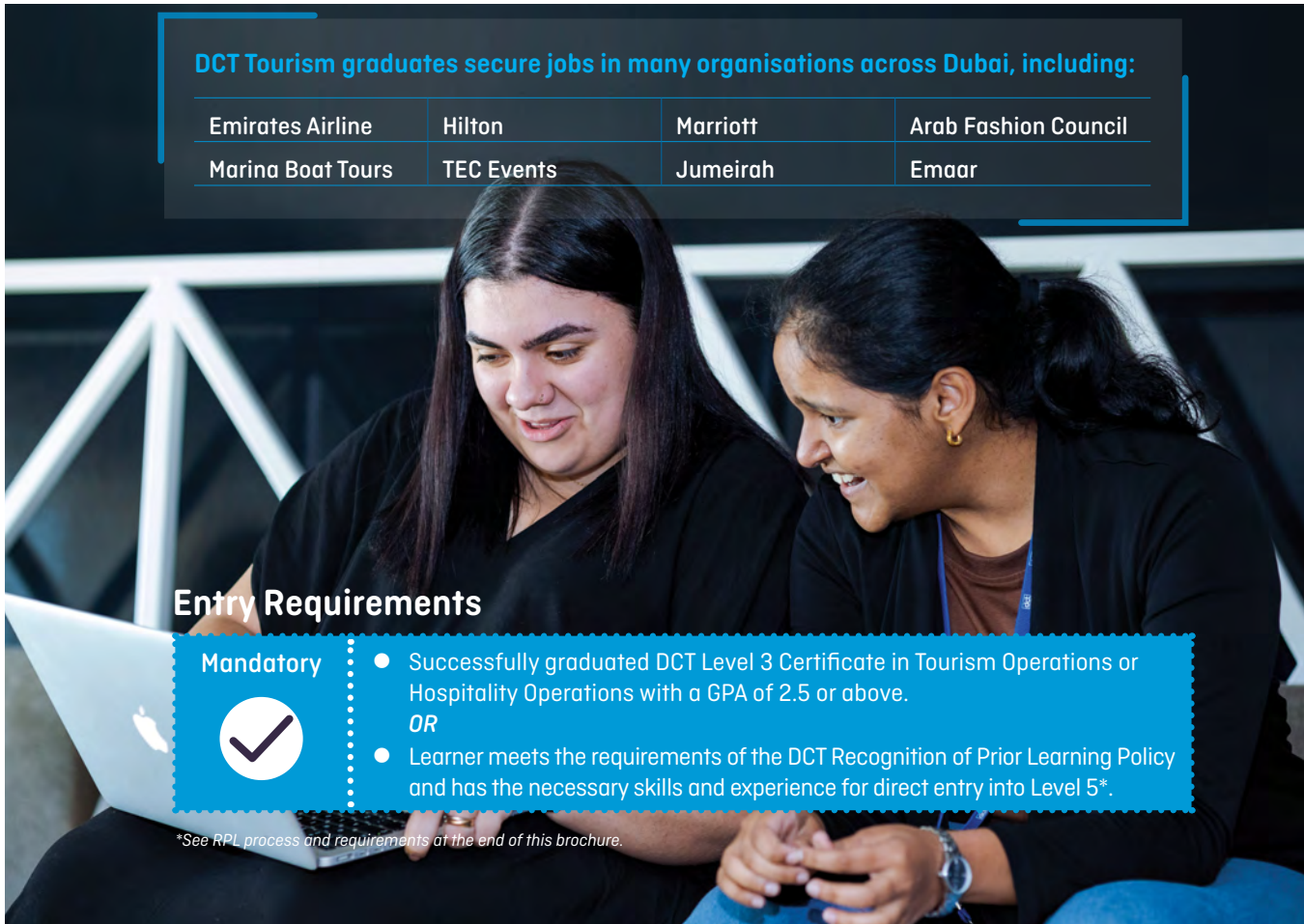
Entry Requirements

Mandatory



- Successfully graduated DCT Level 3 Certificate in Tourism Operations or Hospitality Operations with a GPA of 2.5 or above.
- OR
- Learner meets the requirements of the DCT Recognition of Prior Learning Policy and has the necessary skills and experience for direct entry into Level 5*.

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HOSPITALITY

Dubai is home to many of the world's most renowned hotels and resorts, and is rapidly earning acclaim for its commitment to luxury and unparalleled service standards. Within this sector lie remarkable prospects for individuals possessing a keen attention to detail and a natural aptitude for exceptional service.

With the hospitality industry in Dubai expected to grow by 25% by 2030 and an estimated 40 million new visitors projected to stay at hotels in the city by 2031*, the sector is experiencing significant expansion, leading to abundant job opportunities.

Hosting some of the world's most iconic luxury hotels including, Atlantis, Burj Al Arab, Armani, Bulgari, Four Seasons and recently introduced Michelin-starred restaurants, Dubai's visitors anticipate an unprecedented level of opulence and service excellence.

78.2%

Occupancy rate in 2024, one of the world's highest.

150,000+

Available hotel rooms according to Consultancy-ME.

No.1

Ranking as the No.1 global destination for the 3rd consecutive year in the Tripadvisor Travellers' Choice Awards 2024.

3rd

Most visited city in the world in 2023 according to Euromonitor International.



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What makes DCT special is the consistent support the instructors and fellow students provide, as well as the valuable connections you make throughout your academic journey. It doesn't just stop at education; DCT ensures you are well-prepared for the professional world. The institution goes the extra mile to assist you in securing internships and job opportunities for a seamless transition from the classroom to the workplace.

FARRAH MAHAINI, DCT Hospitality Alumni, Class of 2023

*Dubai Hospitality Report 2022, KPMG Lower Gulf.

CERTIFICATE 3 IN HOSPITALITY OPERATIONS, YEAR 1

WHAT WILL YOU STUDY?

Our 1-year Certificate programme delves into a range of subject specific and core business modules, both practical and theoretical, to ensure you are equipped with a strong foundation of knowledge, skills and competencies to excel in a range of front-of-house and back-office roles.

Hospitality-specific modules that will be covered include Introduction to the Hospitality Industry, Food and Beverage Service, Front Office Operations, Beverage Preparation and Housekeeping.

All students also undertake a guaranteed and credit-bearing 6-week industry internship at the end of the academic year.

You will also study a range of core subjects, such as Career Preparation, Business Fundamentals, Finance Accounting and Control, Service Skills Fundamentals, Marketing and Sustainability.

Entry Requirements

Mandatory



- Successful DCT interview.
- Achieving a pass in the DCT Numeracy and Literacy assessments.
- Students must be 17 years old by the start of the academic year.

Preferred

- High school graduation certificate.

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ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN TOURISM AND HOTEL MANAGEMENT, YEARS 2 &

After completing our Certificate programme, you may progress to the Advanced Diploma in Tourism and Hotel Management, subject to meeting entry requirements. This programme brings Hospitality and Tourism students together to reflect how closely these industries are connected: Hospitality focuses on providing exceptional service and accommodations, while tourism centers on diverse travel experiences. Together, they form the backbone of the travel and leisure sector, creating memorable experiences for travellers. The Advanced Diploma equips you with a comprehensive toolkit to master every aspect of the Hospitality and Tourism industry.

Hospitality-stream students will study hotel-focused modules such as Rooms Division Management and Food & Beverage Revenue Management.

All students will also study shared modules, including **Developing Knowledge of the Luxury Industry, Managing Reputation in the Service Industry, and Planning and Coordinating In-House Events.**

Core business modules prepare learners for today's dynamic workplace and include **Digital Marketing, Entrepreneurship, Budgets and Forecasts, Project Management, Leading a Team, and Strategic Management.**

At this level, you will also complete two guaranteed, credit-bearing internships, each lasting four to six months. These extended placements allow you to make a real impact, rotate across departments, build professional relationships, and gain in-depth insight into various aspects of the industry.

EARN AN INTERNATIONAL BACHELOR'S DEGREE

Complete DCT's Advanced Diploma in Tourism and Hotel Management, then progress to a bachelor's degree through one of our international university partners.

Edinburgh Napier University (UK)

- BA (Hons) International Tourism Management (Years 3 & 4)
- BA (Hons) International Hospitality Management (Years 3 & 4)
- BA Business Management (Year 3 Top-Up – Online)

Eastern Mediterranean University (Cyprus)

- BSc in Tourism Management (Year 4)
- BSc in Recreation Management (Year 4)

*A dedicated application link will be provided by ENU for DCT graduates for September and January intakes.

Entry Requirements

Mandatory



- Graduated DCT Level 3 Certificate for Event Coordinators with a GPA of 2.5 or above.
- OR
- Meets the requirements of the DCT Recognition of Prior Learning Policy for direct entry into Level 5*.

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WHY STUDY HOSPITALITY WITH US?

Develop Work-Ready Skills: From learning how to use the Opera Room Reservations Software to being taught how to professionally prepare a room in one of Dubai's busiest hotels, you will graduate from DCT with a multitude of practical, work-ready skills to add to your CV.

Innovation: Dubai is renowned for not only its luxury hospitality offerings, but also its innovative hotel concepts. You can learn from industry leaders and gain insights into delivering exceptional guest experiences in upscale properties.

Industry Connections: The college sits within the headquarters of Dubai's Department of Economy and Tourism, a unique location providing students with proximity to the industry and a vibrant working environment.

ACCREDITED BY THE INSTITUTE OF HOSPITALITY (IoH)

Our programmes are **accredited by the internationally acclaimed IoH**, meaning they meet accepted international benchmark standards.



HOW WILL YOU BE TAUGHT?

Simulations and Role-Plays: Whether it's managing customer interactions, preparing beverages, serving guests in a restaurant or inputting customer booking information, you'll develop confidence, communication skills and decision-making abilities needed for success in your profession.

Internships: Guaranteed annual internships at well-known hospitality organisations in Dubai provide you with valuable opportunities to gain practical experience in real workplace settings. Under the guidance of experienced mentors, you'll apply classroom learning to real-world situations in order to learn industry-specific techniques, best practices and professional skills.

Site Visits and Guest Speakers: Site visits to Dubai's hotels and industry events provide you with first-hand exposure to different work environments, processes, and technologies. Guest speakers including experienced hoteliers offer valuable insights, perspectives and expertise that supplement classroom learning and expose you to diverse career pathways and opportunities within the hospitality industry.



WHAT DO OUR GRADUATES DO?

DCT Hospitality graduates have a wide range of career options available to them, thanks to the diverse nature of the hospitality industry and the skills and competencies that our students develop.

Studying Hospitality will prepare you for a job such as:

- Front Office Supervisor
- Hotel Operations
- Hospitality Consulting
- Content Creator
- Digital Marketing Executive
- Resort Manager
- Customer Service Manager
- Flight Attendant
- Guest Services Manager
- Hospitality Sales and Marketing
- F&B Waiter or Supervisor
- Various Housekeeping Roles

DCT Hospitality graduates secure jobs in many organisations across Dubai, including:

Emirates Airlines

Marriott

Jumeirah

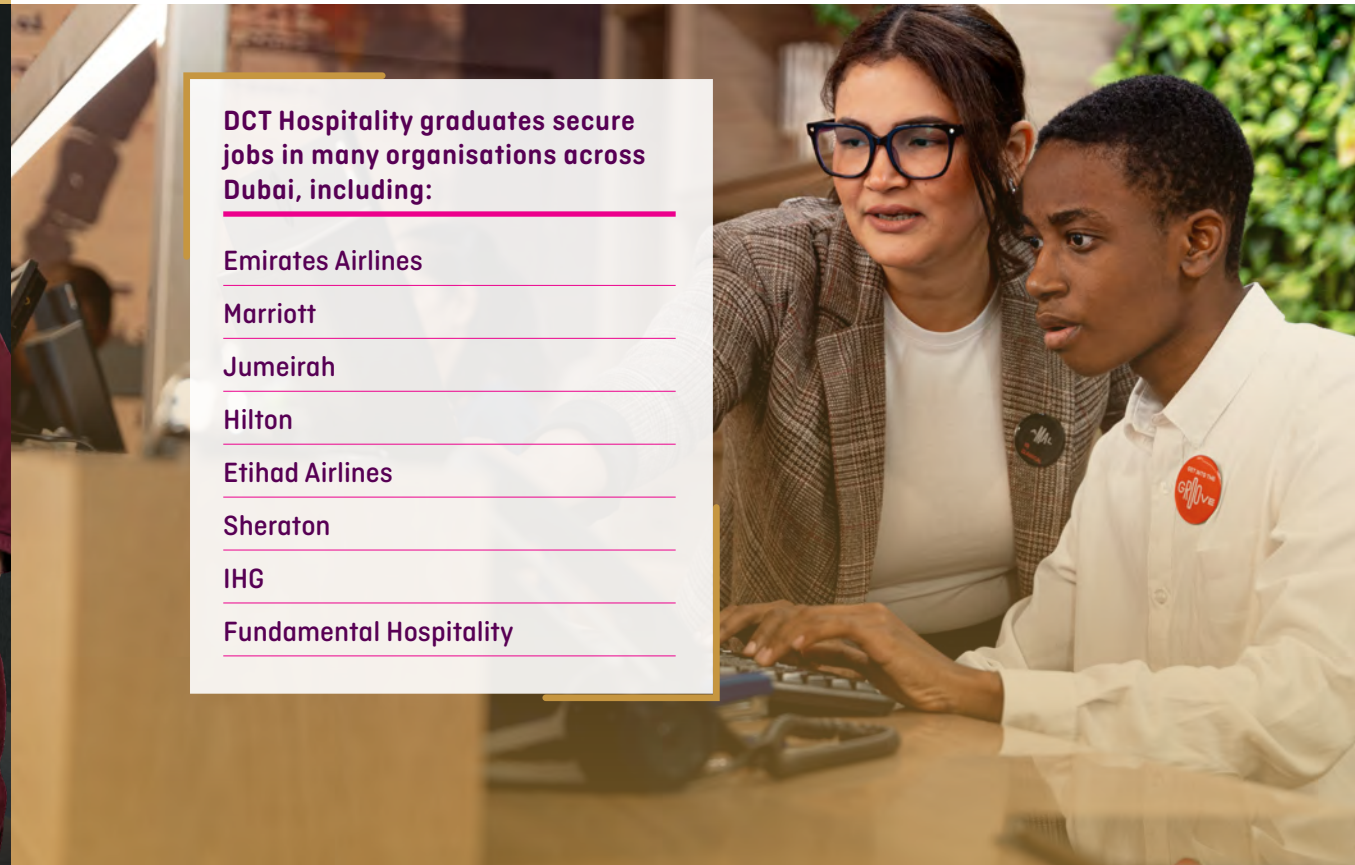
Hilton

Etihad Airlines

Sheraton

IHG

Fundamental Hospitality





EVENTS

DUBAI HAS TRANSFORMED INTO A SOUGHT-AFTER DESTINATION FOR HOSTING PRESTIGIOUS EVENTS, DRIVEN BY THE CITY'S STATUS AS A GLOBAL HUB FOR ENTERTAINMENT.

The Events industry itself is a major economic driver that was estimated to be worth US \$44 billion in 2023, supporting over 100,000 jobs and bringing with it a variety of job opportunities and promising career prospects.

Dubai reinforced its global status in 2024 by hosting major MICE events, such as GITEX Global, Gulfood and Arabian Travel Market, attracting record-breaking numbers of attendees and international delegates. Dubai Business Events secured 437 new business events, set to bring over 210,000 delegates across sectors like healthcare, education, fintech and sustainability.



Expo 2020 Dubai played a vital role in raising the city's profile as an events destination. More than 24 million visits were logged during the 6-month event, welcoming 2,777 world leaders and hosting 192 nations.

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- **Over 3 million annual visitors** attend exhibitions and conferences at Dubai World Trade Centre, the **UAE's leading event venue and the largest event and exhibition centre in the region.**
- **The MICE** (meetings, incentives, conferences, and exhibitions) **segment is the largest segment** of the industry and is expected to create an **additional 10,000 jobs each year** over the next five years.
- **Dubai hosts over 500 unique entertainment events annually**, ranging from **cultural shows, festivals and concerts to spectator sports events.**

*All data from <https://www.dubaidet.gov.ae/en/research-and-insights>.



“ I think DCT is a good college as it is associated with Dubai's Department of Economy and Tourism, and can connect you with good opportunities in the industry. Also, you get to do an internship which helps you get real-life work experience. The teachers at DCT are very knowledgeable and communicate really well with the students. **And the industry guest speakers are great, because they give you a true sense for what it is really like by sharing their experiences.** ”

JEMIMA PETALVER, *DCT Events Alumni, Class of 2022.*
Now working at Hero Experiences Group, Dubai.

Central to every successful event is meticulous organisation, strategic planning and flawless execution. **Our Events programme at DCT is designed to equip students with the theoretical understanding, business expertise and hands-on skills necessary to excel in the diverse roles offered by the industry.**



CERTIFICATE 3 FOR **EVENT COORDINATORS,** YEAR 1

WHAT WILL YOU STUDY?

Our 1-year Certificate programme delves into a range of subject-specific and core business modules to ensure you are equipped with a strong foundation of knowledge, skills and competencies to excel in a range of customer-facing or operational roles in Events.

Event-specific modules that you will study include Introduction to the Events Industry, Event Planning, Business Events, Event Operations, Event Site Selection and a Capstone project where you plan and execute a real live event for your cohort of students.

You will also study a range of core subjects such as, Career Preparation, Business Fundamentals, Financial Accounting and Control, Service Skills Fundamentals, Marketing and Sustainability.

All students also undertake a guaranteed and credit-bearing 6-week industry internship at the end of the academic year.

Entry Requirements

Mandatory



- Successful DCT interview.
- Achieving a pass in the DCT Numeracy and Literacy assessments.
- Students must be 17 years old by the start of the academic year.

Preferred

- High school graduation certificate.

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ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN **EVENT MANAGEMENT,** YEARS 2 & 3

After completing our Certificate programme, you may progress to the Advanced Diploma in Event Management, subject to meeting entry requirements. This programme allows you to explore either the creative or business side of events, giving you the flexibility to carve out your own niche, whether as an artist programmer for a music festival or an Event Director for a national exhibition.

fundamentals, managing reputation in the service sector and planning and coordinating in-house events at hospitality establishments.

Core business modules equip you for the dynamic workplace and include **Digital Marketing, Entrepreneurship, Budgets and Forecasts, Project Management, Leading a Team and Strategic Management.**

You will study a range of industry-specific modules, including coordinating suppliers, using event management tools, engaging with sponsors and planning live exhibitions with your peers.

At Advanced Diploma level, you will complete two guaranteed, credit-bearing internships, each lasting four to six months. These extended placements allow you to make a real impact, rotate across departments, build professional relationships and gain insight into multiple aspects of the industry.

All students will also develop knowledge in **Luxury Industry**

EARN A UK BACHELOR'S DEGREE

After completing the Advanced Diploma in Event Management, students can avail of a direct pathway to internationally recognised bachelor's degrees at **Edinburgh Napier University (ENU)** in Scotland—either on campus in the UK or online.

- **BA (Hons) International Festival and Event Management – Years 3 & 4 in the UK**
- **BA Business Management (Year 3 Top-Up) – Online**

**ENU will provide a dedicated application link for DCT graduates for both September and January intakes.*

Entry Requirements

Mandatory



- Graduated Level 3 Certificate for Event Coordinators with a GPA of 2.5 or above.
OR
- Meets the requirements of the DCT Recognition of Prior Learning Policy for direct entry into Level 5*.

**See RPL process and requirements at the end of this brochure.*

WHY STUDY EVENTS WITH US?

Industry Connections:

At Dubai College of Tourism, we understand the importance of networking and professional development. We sit within the headquarters of the Department of Economy and Tourism (DET) and have unparalleled access to events, such as Dubai Fitness Challenge, Taste of Dubai and Dubai Shopping Festival, all of which are events created and organised by the Dubai Festivals and Retail Establishment, part of DET.

Vibrant Events and Entertainment Hub:

Dubai is known for hosting a wide range of events throughout the year, including globally renowned expos such as Gulfood, The Dubai World Cup, GITEX and Arab Health. The college is located next to Dubai World Trade Centre, which hosts global conferences, business events and exhibitions. There is no better location for exposure to the industry!

DEVELOP WORK-READY SKILLS

From learning how to use event budgeting and forecasting tools to writing actual supplier contracts and organising events and exhibitions within a group or class, students graduate from DCT with a multitude of practical, work-ready skills to add to their CV.

HOW WILL YOU BE TAUGHT?

Simulations and Role-Plays: Whether it's managing customer interactions, planning a real live event for your fellow students or pitching an event proposal to a panel of clients, you'll develop confidence, communication skills and decision-making abilities needed for success in your profession.

Hands-On Training: At DCT, we put a large emphasis on hands-on training, allowing you to actively engage with tools, equipment and materials relevant to their chosen profession.

Project-Based Learning: You'll work collaboratively to plan events which, will involve solving problems, designing solutions, engaging with stakeholders and completing projects from start to finish.

Site Visits and Guest Speakers: Site visits to event venues, hotels, and industry facilities will provide students with exposure to the different work environments, processes and technologies of the events industry in Dubai. Guest speakers who are events professionals offer valuable insights, perspectives and expertise that supplement classroom learning and expose students to diverse career pathways and opportunities within the events industry in Dubai.

WHAT DO OUR GRADUATES DO?

Events graduates possess a diverse skill set, including organisation and planning, customer service, budgeting, creativity and marketing. Whether it's a large corporate event management company or a smaller bespoke organisation, the skills acquired are heavily sought-after.

Studying Events will prepare you for a job such as:

- Event Coordinator
- Creative Content Creator
- PR and Promotions
- Event Marketing Executive
- Destination Management Coordinator
- Wedding Planner
- Event Producer
- Corporate Event Planner



DCT Events graduates secure jobs in many organisations across Dubai, including:

TEC Events
Publicis Live
Department of Economy and Tourism
Avantgarde
Arab Fashion Council
Vivaah Weddings
Hyperound Events
Arabian Adventures Meetings, Incentives and Events



CULINARY ARTS

Dubai consolidated its reputation as one of the world’s leading gastronomic destinations in 2024, with the city’s dining scene playing an increasingly influential role in shaping visitor experiences and boosting international recognition. From MICHELIN-starred dining to immersive street food experiences, Dubai’s culinary landscape continues to evolve and reflect the city’s multicultural identity and commitment to quality, creativity and diversity. In 2024, nearly 1,200 new restaurant licences were issued across the city. This is a remarkable number that highlights Dubai’s reputation as the region’s largest and most influential gastronomy hub. Such growth has been matched by recognition from global institutions and audiences alike. The 2024 MICHELIN Guide Dubai featured 106 restaurants, with 19 restaurants awarded MICHELIN Stars and three recognised with MICHELIN Green Stars for sustainability.

In another major milestone, Trèsind Studio climbed to No. 13 on The World’s 50 Best Restaurants list, the highest-ever ranking for a Middle Eastern venue.



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DUBAI HAS ONE OF THE MOST DIVERSE CULINARY SCENES IN THE WORLD.

It offers a wide range of international cuisines influenced by the city’s multicultural population. Visitors and residents can enjoy everything from traditional Emirati dishes to global favourites, such as Italian, Indian, Japanese and Lebanese cuisines.

In addition to fine dining, Dubai has a vibrant street food culture, with bustling food markets, food trucks and casual eateries serving up a variety of delicious and affordable street eats from around the world.



Top 20	Included in Time Out’s 2024 list of the World’s 20 Best Cities for Food Right Now.
8000+	Number of restaurants in Dubai.
Top 10	Named one of the world’s top 10 cities for foodies in 2023 by Compare the Market.
200+	Restaurants participate in Dubai’s annual food festival.



CERTIFICATE 3 IN CULINARY OPERATIONS, YEAR 1

WHAT WILL YOU STUDY?

You will start the year learning introductory skills and techniques that are fundamental to a career in the kitchen, such as how to make stocks, sauces and soups in addition to how to use knives and classic kitchen tools properly. You will quickly progress to specialist meat, poultry and seafood preparation, and gain a grasp of baking skills and artisan dessert preparation.

You will also study a range of core subjects, such as Career Preparation and Cultural Awareness and Workplace Communication.

All students also undertake a guaranteed and credit-bearing 6-week industry internship at the end of the academic year.

Entry Requirements

Mandatory



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- Students must be 17 years old by the start of the academic year.

Preferred

- High school graduation certificate.



ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN CULINARY MANAGEMENT, YEARS 2 & 3

After successful completion of our certificate programme, you have the option to further your education with our Advanced Diploma in Culinary Management, subject to meeting the entry requirements. The wide-ranging modules in this course will enhance your culinary skills and knowledge whilst developing your business acumen and exposing you to industry trends and innovations.

Studying Culinary Management provides a comprehensive education that combines culinary arts with business management, preparing graduates for rewarding careers in the dynamic and exciting culinary industry.

You will study a number of culinary specific module areas, such as managing food and waste sustainably, exploring tea and naturally fermented breads and learning Asian and international cooking methods.

You will learn how to manage nutritional aspects of food and dietary requirements, and create inspirational and flavoursome menus from a basket of ingredients.

Core business modules will also be introduced to prepare you for the dynamic and changing world of work. These include classes on Digital Marketing, Entrepreneurship, Food Purchasing, Leading a Team and Managing Personal and Professional Development.

At Advanced Diploma level, you will immerse yourself in industry and undertake two guaranteed, credit-bearing internships that last four months. Spending a sustained period of time in a professional kitchen allows you to make real impact in your role. You will have the opportunity to build relationships, rotate around departments and gain insight into different aspects of the industry.

Entry Requirements

Mandatory



- Successfully graduated DCT Level 3 Certificate in Culinary Operations with a GPA of 2.5 or above.
- OR**
- Learner meets the requirements of the DCT Recognition of Prior Learning Policy and has the necessary skills and experience for direct entry into Level 5*.

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WHY STUDY CULINARY ARTS WITH US?

Develop Work-Ready Skills:

Over 70% of your class hours will be spent in the DCT professional kitchen, located at Meydan Dubai, **learning hands-on skills** that prepare you for the workplace. You will begin by learning culinary fundamentals and then move on to specialised skills, such as meat preparation, baking methods and bespoke appetiser creation.

World Chef Association Accredited:

DCT is accredited by the World Chef Association, a globally renowned network of chefs and culinary schools.

Winning Competition Team:

Our students have the **opportunity to participate in a variety of competitions**. This includes the Gulfood YouthX Academy Challenge and the Emirates International Salon Culinare (ESC), which takes place every year at the ExpoCulinare exhibition.

Industry Opportunities:

With instructors who are experienced chefs and many contacts across the Emirate, coupled by our connection to the **Department of Economy and Tourism (DET)**, students have unparalleled access to volunteering opportunities at culinary events, such as Gulfood and Dubai Food Festival.



In 2024, DCT's Culinary Arts students and instructors celebrated a triumphant achievement by **winning three major awards: 'Best Young Chef of The Year 2024,' 'Best Student Chef of 2024,' and 'Best Effort by a Culinary School', along with 19 medals at the 27th Emirates International Salon Culinare.**



“DCT played a pivotal role in shaping my career. The knowledge and skills I acquired there have been instrumental in my professional journey as a chef. I am grateful for the quality education and mentorship I received at DCT.”

NOUR AMRO, DCT CULINARY ARTS ALUMNI, CLASS OF 2021
Now working as **Chef de Partie**, Waldorf Astoria DIFC, Dubai



LOCATION

Practical Culinary Arts classes take place in the DCT Kitchen, a bespoke professional teaching facility consisting of three hot kitchens and a pastry kitchen, located at the Meydan Grandstand, where the Dubai World Cup is hosted annually as one of the city's most prestigious and popular events.

EARN A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN GASTRONOMY & CULINARY ARTS

Dubai College of Tourism (DCT) offers students a structured academic progression opportunity through its partnership with **Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Cyprus**.

This pathway enables graduates of DCT's **Advanced Diploma in Culinary Arts** to progress to the final year of the BA in Gastronomy and Culinary Arts through on campus study at **EMU in Northern Cyprus**.



HOW WILL YOU BE TAUGHT?

Blend of Theory and Practical:

You will be taught theory at our state-of-the-art college campus in the heart of Dubai, and culinary practicals at our fully equipped teaching kitchens in Meydan Dubai.

Internships:

Guaranteed annual internships at well-known culinary organisations within the city provide you with valuable opportunities to gain practical experience in real workplace settings. Under the guidance of experienced mentors, students apply their culinary skills to real-world situations, learning industry-specific techniques, best practices and professional competence.

Site Visits and Guest Speakers:

Site visits to hotel kitchens, industry facilities such as The Waterfront Market, and events like Gulf Food provide students with unique exposure to different work environments, processes and technologies. Guest speakers, including professional chefs and restaurant owners, offer valuable insights, perspectives, and expertise that supplement classroom learning and expose you to diverse career pathways and opportunities within the culinary arts field.

WHAT DO OUR GRADUATES DO?

Culinary Arts graduates are fully prepared for a wide range of roles that aren't just confined to the kitchen. The transferrable skills of **multi-tasking, time management and working under pressure**, combined with culinary finesse and expertise set you up for a wide range of jobs, including:

- Sous Chef
- Executive Chef
- Pastry Chef
- Food Stylist
- Pastry Chef
- Food and Beverage Manager
- Food Entrepreneur
- Food Writer or Critic
- Research and Development Chef
- Restaurant/Café Owner

DCT Culinary Arts graduates secure jobs in many organisations across Dubai, including:

- Hilton
- Atlantis Hotel Palm Jumeirah
- 3 Fils
- Gates Hospitality
- Jumeirah
- IHG (Intercontinental Hotel Group)
- Ritz Carlto
- Waldorf Astoria DIFC
- Orfali Brothers

Whether you want to join a large hotel chain or a small independent restaurant, DCT will support your ambitions.



APPLICATION PROCESS

- Step 1** Complete our **FREE** online application form on our website at dct.ac.ae.
- Step 2** Upon receipt of application, you will be invited to an **interview with DCT** to undertake a numeracy and English exam.
- Step 3** If successful, you'll receive an **official offer letter** for a place on your chosen course. **Accept your offer and pay your deposit.**
- Step 4** The following documents will be required prior to enrollment at DCT:
- Latest School Results/ Certificates of Qualification.
 - Valid Passport and Emirates ID.
 - 2 Passport Photos.
- Step 5** Join the DCT family and start your programme!



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TUITION FEES

At DCT, we pride ourselves on our competitive and accessible fee structure. We are committed to providing affordable, quality education that ensures the best talent in the UAE are able to pursue a career in their chosen sector.

For the current tuition fees and payment schedules, please visit our website:

<https://dct.ac.ae/en/admission/fees-and-scholarships/>



SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

DCT is proud to offer a range of scholarships and awards to enable students to study at our institution. Scholarships and awards include:

RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIP: 25% DISCOUNT

In line with DCT's focus on providing quality education and opportunities in the tourism sector for young people calling the UAE their home, DCT will offer the Resident Scholarship to students who can provide a copy of a grade 12 (or equivalent) high school graduation certificate from a UAE-registered school or college.

UAE NATIONALS SCHOLARSHIP: 25% DISCOUNT

As part of Dubai Economy and Tourism's ongoing commitment to support UAE Nationals in the tourism industry, UAE Nationals will receive a 25% discount on programmes that last at least one academic year.

CORPORATE AWARD: DISCOUNT OF 1,750 AED/YEAR

Students whose parent works in the tourism, hospitality, events or culinary arts industry must provide a current employment contract as proof of employment.

All applicants to DCT will automatically be considered for scholarships and awards. Each student is eligible for a maximum of one scholarship and one award, and they will remain in effect for the duration of the student's enrolment at DCT. **Awards will be subject to annual review based on the student's academic performance.**

ALUMNI

Your journey at DCT doesn't end when you have graduated! Instead, you will become part of a proud and active Alumni Community which you will benefit from for the rest of your working career.

Benefits of being part of DCT's Alumni community are:

Alumni Events

We organise alumni events such as reunions, networking receptions and social events to engage with former students. These events provide opportunities for you to reconnect with classmates, staff and other alumni so you can foster professional relationships, mentorship and collaboration.

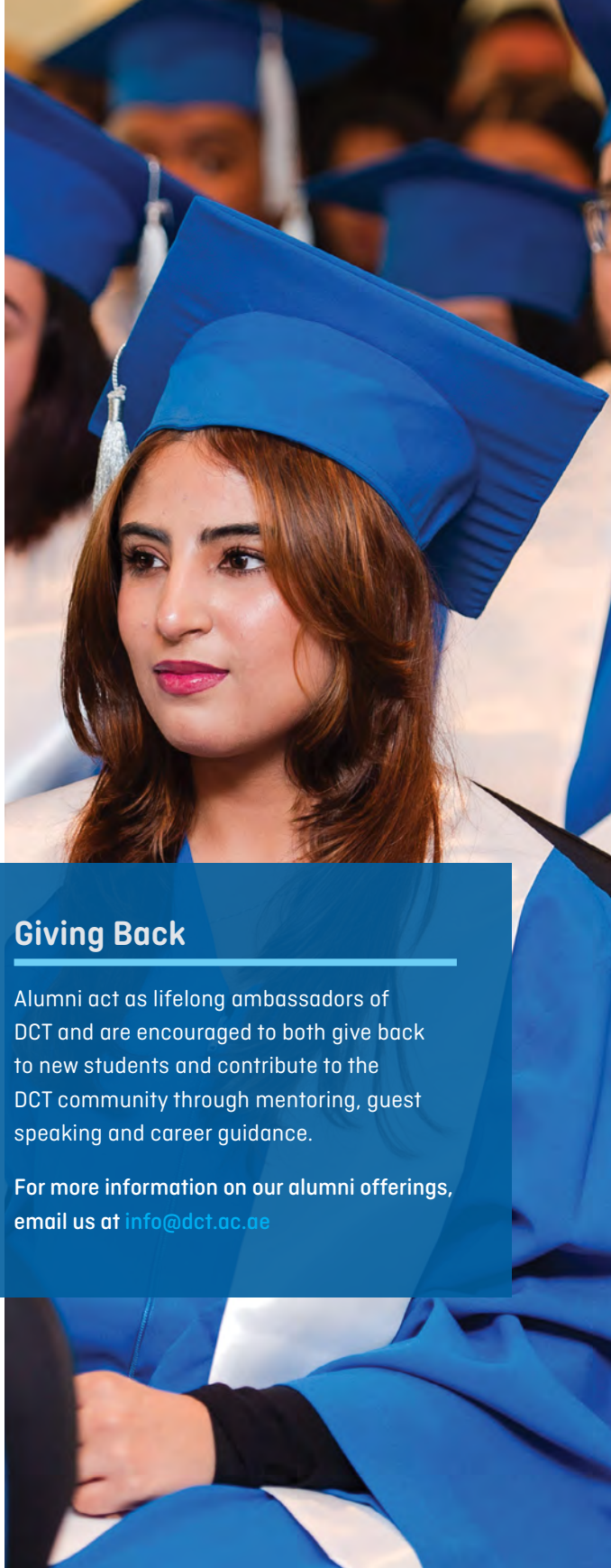
Professional Development

DCT alumni will have access to career development resources, including job postings, networking events, professional development courses and career fairs. This information will be shared regularly through the DCT invite-only Alumni website.

Giving Back

Alumni act as lifelong ambassadors of DCT and are encouraged to both give back to new students and contribute to the DCT community through mentoring, guest speaking and career guidance.

For more information on our alumni offerings, email us at info@dct.ac.ae



SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY OUTREACH

At DCT, we are dedicated to supporting schools and universities in Dubai, the UAE and across the globe through developing interest and skills in the areas of Tourism, Events, Hospitality and Culinary Arts.

We strongly believe in the importance of community engagement and in enriching our community and beyond with knowledge, resources and career exploration opportunities. We are proud of what Dubai's tourism industry has to offer, and we are keen to showcase our institution to organisations worldwide.

We offer a variety of options to connect with schools and universities, including:

● Career Fairs

● Master Classes

● Campus Visits

● Guest Speakers



Please reach out to info@dct.ac.ae if you would like to explore these options further.

OTHER WAYS TO LEARN AT DCT

APPRENTICESHIPS

DCT Apprenticeships allow learners to **EARN AND LEARN** while achieving nationally recognised qualifications.

Apprenticeships are paid jobs, which are structured to allow student learning to take place on-the-job, along with some accompanying classroom instruction. These work-study programmes are becoming increasingly popular around the world as an alternative to traditional college and university. **In England alone, over 750,000 students participated in apprenticeship programmes across 170 industries in 2022/23*.**

*Andy Powell. "Apprenticeship statistics for England", Research Briefing, House of Commons Library. Published January 2024.



WHY ENROL IN AN APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMME?

Mentoring by Industry Professionals

Students participating in apprenticeships gain valuable work experience in a professional work environment, where they are mentored by—and work alongside—experienced professionals in their chosen career.

Workplace Readiness

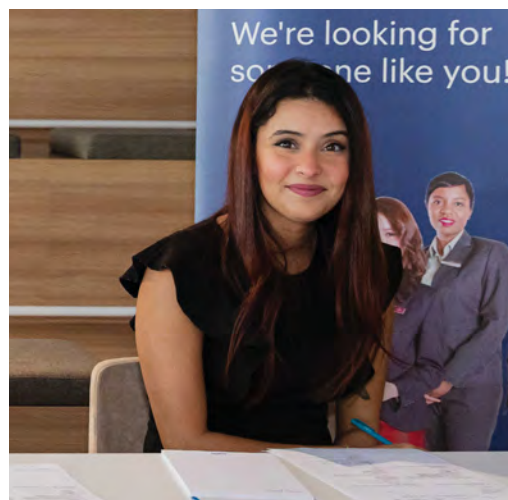
The demanding nature of a professional environment instills a strong work ethic, discipline and time management skills in apprentices, and makes them more work-ready and competitive after graduation.

Financial Benefits

Students enrolled in the apprenticeship programme have labour contracts and receive a monthly stipend throughout the duration of the programme. This can help offset educational costs while they are learning and makes apprenticeships a very cost-efficient alternative to mainstream educational programmes.

Networking

Workplace exposure allows students access to a network of industry professionals, leading to valuable connections and potential job opportunities in the future.



WHAT DOES THE APPLICATION PROCESS LOOK LIKE?

- Step 1** | Apply through DCT's application form, available at dct.ac.ae.
- Step 2** | Upon receipt of application, you will be invited to an interview with DCT to undertake a numeracy and English exam. This is the first interview in the application process.
- Step 3** | You will receive notification of success or failure to continue to the next stage of admission. Successful candidates will be forwarded to an industry partner for a second interview.
- Step 4** | The industry partner will conduct a second interview with you.
- Step 5** | You will receive your final admissions decision. Successful candidates will be placed in our apprenticeship programme.



HOW WILL YOU BE TAUGHT?

Student learning in an apprenticeship takes on a hybrid approach.

Some learning is delivered in the classroom, but the majority—60% of total learning—takes place within the workplace at an industry partner's facilities. **Students will collect evidence against learning outcomes throughout the duration of the programme and take subject-specific assessments to determine whether they have achieved proficiency against the learning objectives for the programme.**



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Any local or international applicant who:

- Is at least 18 years old.
- Can take initiative responsibly and has good work ethics.

Benefits received:

- A monthly stipend.
- Uniforms for work (if required).
- Medical insurance.
- Employment visa.
- Accommodation or an equivalent allowance within the salary per employer policy.

APPRENTICESHIP: CERTIFICATE 4 IN CULINARY OPERATIONS

WHAT WILL YOU STUDY?

Our Certificate 4 in Culinary Operations Apprenticeship Programme follows the same comprehensive curriculum as our traditional Certificate 4 in Culinary Operations Programme. The curriculum encompasses a diverse range of culinary expertise and proficiencies, including knife skills, classic kitchen tool usage, stock, sauce and soup preparation, as well as the specialized handling of meat, poultry and seafood. Apprentices will also be trained in baking and dessert preparation.

In addition to building culinary skills, apprentices will receive instruction in essential topics, such as Career Preparation and Cultural Awareness and Workplace Communication.

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APPRENTICESHIPS



PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

Students enrolled in the DCT Level 4 Culinary Operations Apprenticeship will learn in blocks. Some blocks will be taught in the classroom at DCT (40% of the programme), but the majority of learning (60%) will take place while working in an industry partner's kitchen facilities, supervised by industry-appointed chefs.

The programme is structured into the following learning blocks over the two years:

Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4	Block 5
4 weeks of classroom instruction at DCT.	11 months of work-study at the industry partner's kitchen.	4 weeks of classroom instruction at DCT.	11 months of work-study at the industry partner's kitchen.	2 weeks of classroom instruction at DCT, and Final Practical Exam.

OUR INDUSTRY PARTNERS

DCT has partnered with leading employers in the culinary industry for its pioneering Apprenticeship programme. Some of our partners include:



RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

Don't let your valuable experience or qualifications go unrecognised! Discover the power of recognising your existing knowledge, skills and experiences through our RPL process.

WHAT IS RPL?

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) is a process used to acknowledge previously gained expertise which could be in the form of credits from another education institution or outside traditional education channels.

Experiences that could be considered include:

- Training and education that has included some form of assessment.
- Work experience or work placement.
- Voluntary activities and community involvement.
- Accredited qualifications / transfer of credits.

Our streamlined assessment and accreditation system empowers you to leverage your prior learning to fast-track your educational journey.



WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF RPL?

- Shorter study time.
- Faster qualification completion.
- Cheaper programme fees.
- Less academic workload.

WHAT IS THE RPL PROCESS?

All successful applicants to DCT programmes can apply for RPL following the steps below:

- Step 1** | Once you have secured your place, you will be invited to fill out the RPL application form.
- Step 2** | Next, our dedicated team will meet with you to guide you on assembling your RPL portfolio.
***Note:** There will be a non-refundable RPL application fee per credit for each module the student is seeking recognition for.*
- Step 3** | Once submitted, our experts will review your portfolio, and any necessary assessments will be scheduled at DCT. If successful, you'll receive a personalised study plan for your remaining modules.

Take the first step towards recognising your previous successes and email us at info@dct.ac.ae for more information.



CREDIT BEARING MICRO CREDENTIALS

YOUR KEY TO UNLOCKING CAREER SUCCESS

Dive into focused learning experiences designed to boost your career prospects quickly and efficiently. With our credit-bearing micro-credential programmes, you'll gain practical, job-ready skills in no time and set yourself apart in today's competitive job market. Plus, these flexible, stackable credentials fit seamlessly into your schedule, making learning convenient and accessible.

These are designed to be highly targeted and relevant to specific industries or job roles, allowing you to acquire new skills or update existing ones.

Get ready to accelerate your professional growth and open doors to exciting opportunities with our micro-credential offerings.



Entry Requirements

Mandatory	• Successful DCT interview. • Achieving a pass in the DCT Numeracy and Literacy assessments. • Students must be 17 years old by the start of the academic year.
Preferred	• High school graduation certificate.

If you would like more information on how to launch your CBMC journey at DCT, email us at info@dct.ac.ae for more information.

SHORT COURSES (NON-CREDIT BEARING)

Embark on a journey of skill enhancement and personal growth with our non-credit-bearing short courses. Whether you're seeking to learn a new skill, enrich your life or advance your career, our training courses offer the perfect opportunity.

Designed to fit into your busy schedule, these courses are typically held over 2-3 days, with convenient timings in the evenings and weekends, making them accessible to everyone. Dive into targeted learning experiences, connect with like-minded individuals and invest in your professional development, all while getting a taste of student life at DCT.

Explore your options, expand your horizons and take the first step towards a brighter future with us!

Details of upcoming short courses at DCT can be found on our website dct.ac.ae.

Entry Requirements

Mandatory	• Applicants must be at least 16 years old. • Complete the online application form (no previous experience or qualifications required). • Pay the short course fee.
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HOW TO APPLY TO DCT

Apply to DCT by completing the online application form at dct.ac.ae.

We look forward to receiving your application and welcoming you to a fulfilling and rewarding education at [Dubai College of Tourism](#).

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