



**Triton College**

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### **Triton College Offers Introduction to the Hospitality Industry Course**

RIVER GROVE, Ill. – To better position students for a successful career in the thriving and innovative field of hospitality, Triton College is excited to offer “Introduction to the Hospitality Industry”—a course designed to cover a range of topics in hotel and restaurant management, baking and pastry, culinary arts and more.

“Earning an associate’s degree or a certification from Triton College means that our students do not need to begin a job at the entry level,” says Chef Denise Smith-Gaborit, chair of Triton College’s Hospitality Industry Administration (HIA) pathway.

As the largest industry in the world, hospitality is experiencing one of the largest demands in the need for skilled workers. “There are jobs galore,” says Chef Smith-Gaborit. Everything from hotel management and culinary arts to menu writing and bartending. The hospitality industry is the second largest employer in the United States, with a workforce that continues to expand.

For new students pursuing a degree or certificate in the HIA pathway, Triton is offering the [Introduction to the Hospitality Industry](#) course for free.

The college’s HIA program offers associate degrees in Baking and Pastry, Culinary Arts, Hotel Management, and Restaurant Management, along with an array of certificates in these areas for individuals entering the industry or interested in furthering their careers. Triton College also offers student job opportunities at some of Chicago’s premier hotels and restaurants.

From creating new culinary masterpieces to managing a premier hotel, professionals in hospitality can express their creativity and bring new ideas to life, says Chef Smith-Gaborit. Triton College is fully equipped with state-of-the-art kitchens and learning facilities for real-world learning.

“Our program offers flexible scheduling, job assistance and hands-on training. We make it easier for students to succeed and ensure they are all well prepared for their careers,” says Chef Smith-Gaborit. Triton offers strong foundational courses and, from there, students can branch out according to their interests.

Learn more at [www.triton.edu/hia](http://www.triton.edu/hia).

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### **ABOUT TRITON COLLEGE**

Triton College is an institution of higher education dedicated to student success. Triton offers more than 120 degree and certificate programs designed for students to realize their career aspirations and effectively compete in a global economy. The college campus spans 110 acres in River Grove, Illinois, holds classes at satellite locations and offers online learning opportunities. Triton's exemplary faculty and staff work to provide high-quality, convenient and affordable educational opportunities to more than 10,000 students each year. Triton College is a member of The Community Colleges of Illinois and accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. Learn more at [triton.edu](http://triton.edu).