



Le Cordon Bleu Master of Arts (Gastronomy)

Academic Program Rules

1 Duration of program

To qualify for the degree, an oncampus candidate shall normally complete the program in one and half years, based on a study load of 24 units per year. An online candidate shall normally complete the program in three years, based on a study load of 12 units per year.

2 Admission

2.1 An applicant for admission to the academic program for the degree of Master of Arts (Gastronomy) shall:

- (a) have qualified for a degree of the University, at an appropriate standard in an approved field of study, or a degree of another institution accepted by the Faculty for the purpose as equivalent to a degree of the University *or*
- (b) have qualified for the Graduate Diploma in Gastronomy with results of at credit level or higher.

Selection into the program is based on previous academic achievement.

2.2 The Faculty may, course to such conditions as it may see fit to impose in each case, accept as a candidate for the degree a person who does not satisfy the requirements of Rule 2.1 above but who has presented evidence satisfactory to the Faculty of fitness to undertake work for the degree.

2.3 **Status, exemption and credit transfer**

2.3.1 Except with special permission of the Faculty, no candidate will be granted status for any course that he or she has presented for any award other than the Graduate Diploma in Gastronomy (see Rule 2.4 below).

2.3.2 Such status as may be awarded in exceptional circumstances will only be awarded for graduate level studies.

2.3.3 In any case, no candidate will be awarded more than 12 units of status, except for those candidates who have completed the Graduate Diploma in Gastronomy.

2.3.4 A candidate who fails a course and wishes to repeat that course shall, unless exempted partially therefrom by the Executive Dean of the Faculty again complete the required work in the course to the satisfaction of the teaching staff concerned.

2.4 **Articulation with other awards**

2.4.1 A candidate for the Master of Arts (Gastronomy) who does not complete the requirements for the Masters degree but satisfies the requirements for the Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma may be admitted to one or other of those awards as appropriate.

2.4.2 A candidate who has been admitted to the Graduate Diploma in Gastronomy and who subsequently satisfies the requirements for the Master of Arts (Gastronomy) must surrender the Graduate Diploma before being admitted to the Master degree.

3 Assessment and examinations

3.1 There shall be four classifications of pass in any course for the Masters degree: Pass with High Distinction, Pass with Distinction, Pass with Credit and Pass.

3.2 (a) A candidate shall not be eligible to be assessed by examination or otherwise, unless the prescribed work has been completed to the satisfaction of the teaching staff concerned.

(b) For the purpose of this Rule, a candidate who is refused permission to be assessed by examination or otherwise shall be deemed to have failed the course.

3.3 A candidate who has failed a course twice may not re-enrol in that course except by special permission of the Faculty and then only under such conditions as may be prescribed.

3.4 A candidate shall complete the coursework component of the degree with a credit average, before proceeding to the research component of the degree. A candidate who is not eligible to undertake the research component, but has satisfied the requirements for the Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma may be admitted to one or other of those awards as appropriate.

4 Qualification requirements

4.1 **Academic program**

To qualify for the degree, a candidate shall satisfactorily complete courses to the value of 36 units, as follows:

4.1.1 Core courses

All candidates shall complete the following core courses:

GAST 5300 Principles of Gastronomy	6
GAST 5301 Food and Drink in Contemporary Western Society	6
GAST 5302 Gastronomy and Communication	6

4.1.2 Elective courses

All candidates shall complete one of the following elective courses:

GAST 5303 Gastronomic Tourism	6
GAST 5304 Food and Wine Technology	6
GAST 5305 Asian Food History and Culture	6

4.1.3 Dissertation/Research Projects

All candidates shall complete either the full-time or the part-time version of the dissertation:

GAST 5530 Dissertation in Gastronomy F/T	12
GAST 5531A/B Dissertation in Gastronomy P/T	12

or

two research projects to a total of 12 units:

GAST 5532 Research Project in Gastronomy A	6
GAST 5533 Research Project in Gastronomy B	6

4.2 Unacceptable combinations of courses

No candidate will be permitted to count towards an award any course, together with any other course, which, in the opinion of the Faculty concerned, contains a substantial amount of the same material; and no course or portion of a course may be counted twice towards an award.

4.3 Graduation

Subject to Chapter 89 of the Statutes, candidates who have satisfied the requirements for any award of the University shall be admitted to that award at a graduation ceremony for the purpose.

5 Special circumstances

When in the opinion of the relevant Faculty special circumstances exist, the Council, on the recommendation of the Faculty in each case, may vary any of the provisions of the Academic Program Rules for any particular award.