

## Industry Outlook

Tourism and Hospitality is a major sector of Trinidad and Tobago's economy and contributes significantly to the country's gross domestic product (GDP), foreign exchange earnings and employment generation. This sector comprises occupations within the Culinary Arts and Food and Beverage Industries.

The Culinary Arts Industry is all about the art of cooking. Persons employed in this sub-sector are food service professionals who are experienced and skilled in the art of preparing meals.

## Jobs in the Culinary Arts

### Pastry Chef

A pastry chef is in charge of preparing desserts and pastries as well as baked goods. Most times they work under the Management of the more experienced sous or executive chef.

### Baker

A baker is responsible for making a wide range of baked goods.



### Decorateur

A cake decorator is employed to decorate pastries and cakes of all sizes and shapes with pastry cream and coloured icings.

## Executive Chef

An Executive Chef also called head cooks; oversee a restaurant's kitchen staff and the preparation of all meals. They manage the preparation, seasoning, and cooking of salads, soups, fish, meats, vegetables, desserts, or other foods.



## Sous Chef

A Sous Chef is second in command after the Executive Chef in a professional kitchen and helps oversee food production. This means that he or she answers to the chef, but also has some authority over the kitchen staff.

## Garde Manger Chef

This chef has the responsibility for preparation of cold and fresh foods for a hotel or restaurant. They maintain proper sanitation and smooth operation of their work station.

## WHAT EMPLOYERS ARE LOOKING FOR

### Personal Attributes

- ✓ Hard worker
- ✓ Team player
- ✓ Proper hygiene

## WHERE CAN YOU RECEIVE TRAINING?

**Trinidad and Tobago Hospitality and Tourism Institute (THTI)**  
Corner Hill Top Lane and Airways Road  
Chaguaramas 634 4250

## Where can you receive training?

**University of the West Indies – Open Campus**  
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*For more training options contact the NTA*

## About the NTA...

The National Training Agency (NTA) is the organization mandated with the responsibility to coordinate and facilitate the development of a competent, certified and entrepreneurial workforce for Trinidad and Tobago, through Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET), to achieve and sustain the strategies defined for developing innovative people.

## NTA's Products and Services

- Career Guidance Education
- Labour Market Research
- Training Provider Surveys
- Occupational Standards Development
- Quality Enhancement of Training Providers
- Registration and Approval of TVET Providers
- Award of the Caribbean Vocational Qualification (CVQ)
- Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR)

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Career Opportunities  
in  
**Culinary Arts**

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Culinary Arts Sub-sector

