DIPLOMA IN FOOD, NUTRITION & CULINARY SCIENCE (T26)

Course Overview

Have you ever wanted to experiment with classic dishes, such as *char kway teow* or *mutton biryani*, and give them a healthier makeover? Do the sensory characteristics of the humble chicken rice excite you? Are you intrigued by the health-promoting and disease-preventing compounds of the various products available in our supermarkets?

You can explore these issues and master the fundamental culinary and baking skills at the same time in this course! And, as you uncover the science behind our favourite dishes, you'll learn to develop new foods that an increasing number of consumers all over the world are demanding for – healthy, safe, nutritious and delicious!

Entry Requirements

To be eligible for consideration for admission, applicants must obtain 26 points or better for the net ELR2B2 aggregate score (i.e. English Language, 2 relevant subjects and best 2 other subjects, including CCA Bonus Points) and meet the minimum entry requirements of this course. CCA cannot be used to meet the minimum entry requirements.

Subject			Grade

Mathematics (E or A)

One of the following Science subjects:

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- Biology
- Biotechnology
- Chemistry
- Combined Science
- Food & Nutrition
- Physics/Engineering Science
- Science (Chemistry, Biology)
- Science (Physics, Biology)
- Science (Physics, Chemistry)/Physical Science

Any two other subjects, excluding CCA

2021 Planned Intake	95
Net ELR2B2 aggregate range (2021 JAE)	7 - 14

* Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM)/ Unified Examination Chinese (UEC) holders must have a minimum of grade 6 for the relevant English Language subject (e.g. Bahasa Inggeris).

Note:

No colour deficiency.

To ensure compliance on food and workplace safety, applicants with any medical conditions including physical disabilities should make a declaration and obtain pre-enrolment medical clearance. Students are required to work in non-halal certified kitchens and facilities, as well as handle various ingredients such as meats (including pork and their by-products); emulsifiers and gelling agents of animal origin; as well as alcohol-based products. Students may not necessarily consume these ingredients but will be required to evaluate and assess their physical/chemical properties.

What You'll Learn

YEAR 1

Discover the science behind foods through subjects such as Food Chemistry and Basic Nutrition & Food! You will also gain strong kitchen skills with subjects such as Fundamental Culinary Techniques and Fundamental Baking Techniques

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	Subject Code	Subject	Credit Units	
^	ACS1005	Communication & Information Literacy	2	/
		In this subject, you will learn how to conduct research for		
		relevant information and validate information sources. You will		
		also learn to recognise and avoid plagiarism, and follow		
		standard citation and referencing guidelines when presenting		
		information. In the course of learning, you will be required to		
		plan, prepare and present information appropriately in written		
		and oral form. You will also be taught to consider the ${f M}$ essage,		
		Audience, Purpose and Strategy (MAPS) when writing and		
		delivering oral presentations.		

∧ ACS1007

Persuasive Communication

In this subject, you will be taught how to use persuasive language in written documents. You will be required to use information to your advantage to verbally communicate and convince an audience about your idea, product or service. Skills such as persuasive vocabulary, language features, graphical illustrations, tone and style would also be covered. The Message, Audience, Purpose and Strategy (MAPS) will also be applied when engaging in verbal and written communication. 2

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^	GCC1001	Current Issues & Critical Thinking	2	^
		This subject presents you with a panoramic view of current local and global issues, which may have long term implications for Singapore. You will learn to apply critical thinking tools to examine current issues, support your views with relevant research and up-to-date data, articulate an informed opinion and mature as civic-minded individuals.		
^	LEA1011	Leadership: Essential Attributes & Practice 1	1	^
		LEAP 1, 2 and 3 are three fundamental subjects that seek to cultivate in you, the attitude, skills and knowledge for the development of your leadership competencies. This character- based leadership programme enables you to develop your life- skills through establishing personal core values, which will become the foundation for your leadership credibility and influence.		
^	LSW1002	Sports & Wellness	2	^
		This subject will help you develop both the physical and technical skills in your chosen sports or fitness activities. Through a structured curriculum that facilitates group participation, practice sessions and mini competitions, you will learn to build lifelong skills such as resilience, leadership, communication and teamwork. Physical activity sessions will be supplemented by health-related topics to provide you with a holistic approach to healthy living.		
^	MCR1001	Career Readiness 1	1	^
		This Career Readiness programme comprises three core subjects - Personal Management, Career Preparation and Career Management. It seeks to help you understand your career interests, values, personality and skills for career success. It also equips you with the necessary skills for seeking and securing jobs, and to develop professional work ethics.		
^	AGS1002	Global Studies	3	^
		This subject provides essential skills and knowledge to prepare you for an overseas experience. You will examine the elements of culture and learn the key principles of cross-cultural communication. In addition, you will gain an appreciation and awareness of the political, economic, technological and social landscape to function effectively in a global environment.		

* Students must choose to take either one of these three subjects or TGL1001 Guided Learning.

Core Subjects					
	Subject Code	Subject	Credit Units		
^	ACH1009	Principles of Inorganic and Physical Chemistry 1	4	^	
		This subject covers the basic theory and practical knowledge of inorganic and physical chemistry. Topics include fundamentals of chemistry, atomic structure and chemical bonding, stoichiometry and equilibria concepts of a chemical reaction.			
^	ANT1002	Basic Nutrition and Food	4	^	
		Topics covered in this subject include the roles and importance of macro- and micronutrients, energy balance, the nutritive value of food and recent advances in the field of nutrition. You will be provided with basic understanding and application of human nutrition, food and dietary practices in relation to health.			
^	ANT1004	Basic Anatomy & Physiology	3	^	
		This subject covers important organ systems and their functions such as the digestive, endocrine, circulatory, urinary and musculo-skeletal systems. Topics include enzymology, metabolism and transportation across the biological membrane.			
^	ABC1011	Fundamental Culinary Techniques	4	^	
		This subject covers knife skills, basic cooking techniques, operation of kitchen equipment, purchasing, receiving and storage of food. In addition, the fundamentals of ingredient application in various recipes and the scientific principles that underpin everyday cooking will be taught. Proper food hygiene practices and safety in the kitchen will be emphasised in the subject.			
^	AMB1004	Basic Microbiology	3	^	
		This subject investigates the important fundamentals of microbiology and its relevance to the food, biomedical and biotechnology industries. It covers the types of microorganisms, their cultivation and growth as well as their control.			

∧ AFS1001

Food Chemistry

This subject covers the four major components in food, namely water, carbohydrates, fats and oils, and protein. You will investigate the chemical reactions, physical and functional properties of these components. 5

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^	ABC1012	Fundamental Baking Techniques	4	^
		This subject covers the basic baking techniques required for producing various bakery products which include breads, pastries and cakes. Knowledge of bakery equipment operation as well as the scientific principles that are related to ingredient selection and the production process will be taught. Appropriate hygiene practices and safety in the bakery will also be emphasized.		
^	AMA1004	Statistics for Applied Science	3	^
		This subject provides you with the basic statistical techniques		
		that are essential for your course of study. Topics covered		
		include basic probability and distributions, basic statistics,		
		sampling distribution, hypothesis testing, analysis of variance		
		and chi-square testing.		

YEAR 2

Learn how to plan diets to meet various nutritional needs, and discover how to use and apply various technologies for efficient mass food production. You will also continue to improve your foundation in areas like product development and food safety.

	Subject Code	Subject	Credit Units	
^	ACS1006	Workplace Communication	2	^
		In this subject, you will be taught how to conduct effective		
		meetings while applying team communication strategies and the skills for documenting meeting notes. You will be required		
		to write clear emails, using the appropriate format, language,		
		tone and style for an audience. You will also be taught to		
		communicate appropriately in and for an organisation when using various platforms. In all aspects, the principles of		
		applying Message, Audience, Purpose and Strategy (MAPS) will		
		be covered.		
^	AIN1001	Innovation & Entrepreneurship	2	^
		The Innovation & Entrepreneurship subject is designed for		
		learners from all disciplines to embrace innovation in either their specialised fields or beyond. You will first learn the		

Design Thinking framework, where you will develop problem statements and ideate solutions. Next, you will discover the tools for prototyping and innovation, such as 3D printing and laser cutting, at TP's Makerspace+ facility. Finally, you will acquire commercial awareness through the LEAN Startup framework of idea crystallisation, prototype building, customer testing and validation, refinement of business model canvas, and crowdfunding or crowdsourcing avenues.

~	LEA1012	Leadership: Essential Attributes & Practice 2	1	~
		LEAP 1, 2 and 3 are three fundamental subjects that seek to cultivate in you, the attitude, skills and knowledge for the development of your leadership competencies. This character- based leadership programme enables you to develop your life- skills through establishing personal core values, which will become the foundation for your leadership credibility and influence.		
^	MCR1002	Career Readiness 2	1	^
		This Career Readiness programme comprises three core subjects – Personal Management, Career Preparation and Career Management. It seeks to help you understand your career interests, values, personality and skills for career success. It also equips you with the necessary skills for seeking and securing jobs, and to develop professional work ethics.		
^	AGS1003	Managing Diversity at Work*	3	^
		This subject explores the concepts of identity, diversity and inclusion at the workplace. It examines the relationship between identity and diversity, the benefits and challenges of diversity and the strategies that promote inclusion and inspire collaboration in a diverse workplace. Examples of the elements of diversity covered in this subject include nationality, generation, ethnicity and gender. A one week residential stay is mandatory for this subject.		
^	AGS1004	Global Citizenship & Community Development*	3	^
		Students will examine the meaning and responsibilities of being a Global Citizen, in order to contribute towards a more equitable and sustainable world.? In addition, students will learn how sustainable solutions can support community development, and, execute and critique a community action plan that addresses the needs of a specific community/cause.		
^	AGS1005	Expressions of Culture*	3	^
		This subject provides a platform for an understanding of culture and heritage through modes of expression. Students will be introduced to global and local cultures via everyday objects, places and human behaviour seen through time and space. Students will explore issues and challenges in culture and heritage sustainability in community, national and global contexts.		

∧ TGL1001

Guided Learning

The subject introduces students to the concepts and process of self-directed learning in a chosen area of inquiry. The process focusses on four stages: planning, performing, monitoring and reflecting. Students get to plan their individual learning project, refine and execute the learning plan, as well as monitor and reflect on their learning progress and project. The learning will be captured and showcased through a curated portfolio. The self-directed learning project will broaden and/or deepen a student's knowledge and skills. 3

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Food Quality Assurance

This subject is an integration of food microbiology, food quality control, sampling techniques and quality management system; ensuring quality and safety for compliance with food standards and legislation. Physical, chemical and microbiological testing skills will be taught.

^	ANT2010	Principles of Biochemistry and Physiology for Nutrition	4	^
		This subject focuses on basic biochemistry and human physiology concepts. The regulation of the integrative metabolic pathways involving glucose, lipid and protein, and their link to adenosine triphosphate (ATP) synthesis is covered in detail. Principles of enzymatic reactions, function and disorders of the immune system are covered as well.		
^	ABC2022	Heritage Cuisine	4	^
		This subject covers the preparation, presentation and evaluation of local dishes from various ethnic groups in Singapore. The application of culinary skills in the preparation of stocks, soups, sauces, salads, fruits/vegetables, grains, eggs, poultry, red meat, and seafood will be included.		
^	ACH2004	Principles of Instrumental Analysis	4	^
		This subject provides the basic knowledge of the principles and applications of some instruments commonly used in chemical industries.		
^	ANT2009	Community Health and Nutrition	4	^
		This subject focuses on the main public health and nutrition concerns in various community groups, the risk factors involved and the importance of prevention. It covers the steps involved in the planning and delivery of a health and nutrition promotion program. The methods used to assess the health and nutrition status of a community and the appropriate intervention strategies and activities are also discussed.		
^	ABC2023	Catering Technology	4	^
		This subject covers various technologies used to support the efficient production of foods that are safe and with consistent quality in manpower-lean production environments. Applications of various modern technologies in baking and cooking, food packaging, and shelf-life extension will be highlighted.		

YEAR 3

Get ready to gain practical work experience through an exciting internship and a challenging major project. You will further develop industry-specific knowledge and skills in areas such as food technology, applied nutrition or central kitchen technology.

Credit Units

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∧ ASI3031

Student Internship Programme

This structured programme is designed to link your learning with the real work environment. You will be placed in organisation(s) with opportunities to apply the concepts and skills acquired in the course of your study. Besides reinforcing technical concepts and mastering of skills in areas that you have been trained, the practical training will enable you to build important skills such as problem-solving, communication, teamwork, and to cultivate good attitude and a strong work ethic. \sim

^	LEA1013	Leadership: Essential Attributes & Practice 3	1	^
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		development of your leadership competencies. This character-		
		based leadership programme enables you to develop your life-		
		skills through establishing personal core values, which will		
		become the foundation for your leadership credibility and		
		influence.		
^	MCR1003	Career Readiness 3	1	^
		This Career Readiness programme comprises three core		
		subjects – Personal Management, Career Preparation and		
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		career interests, values, personality and skills for career		
		success. It also equips you with the necessary skills for seeking		
		and securing jobs, and to develop professional work ethics.		

Core Subjects

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^	AMP3016	Major Project	8	^
		This subject provides a framework for you to solve practical and/ or technical problems, conduct research work and/or develop studies through a self-managed project. The scope of the subject includes project proposal, investigative studies, data analysis and interpretation of results, written report and presentation.		

Diplo	oma Subjects - Elective Cluster Subjects				
	Subject Code	Subject	Credit Units		
^	ANT3005	Clinical Nutrition and Dietetic Practice	5	^	
		This subject focuses on the medical nutrition therapy (MNT) of diet-related diseases. It covers the pathophysiology, causes, risk factors, diagnostic criteria and symptoms of obesity and diabetes as well as cardiovascular, renal and gastrointestinal diseases. Evidence-based dietary principles, integrated into the			

four step nutrition care process (NCP) is the approach used in formulating individualized nutrition care plans for the dietary management of the diseases above. Basic principles of nutrition support are also covered.

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∧ ANT3004

Practical Sports Nutrition

This subject focuses on the importance of nutrition for optimal sports performance. It covers nutrition requirements pre-, during and post-exercise for various sports. The roles of macro- and micronutrients in sports performance and recovery will be explained. The efficacy and safety of popular dietary supplements and ergogenic aids available in the market will also be considered.

^	AFS3010	Food Processing Technology	5	^
		This subject covers the technology, processing conditions and		
		equipment for selected foods that are produced		
		commercially. Food categories include wheat products, dairy products, fruits and juices. Elements of food engineering,		
		process control and novel processing methods are also		
		introduced.		
^	AFS3009	Food Packaging Technology	4	^
		This subject covers technology development in food		
		packaging. Topics include plastics, metal, glass and paper		
		packaging materials, packaging machineries used in the food		
		industry, packaging techniques, printing methods, active and intelligent packaging.		
^	ABC3010	Central Kitchen Operations	7	^
		This subject is designed to provide the necessary practical		
		training in high-volume food production for central kitchens.		
		Topics include quantity food production, event catering and		
		food safety and workplace safety. Fundamental baking and culinary skills will be reinforced and new skills in using		
		commercial equipment for scaled-up production will be		
		taught. Menu items from different cuisines common to fast		
		casual dining will also be covered.		
^	ABC3011	Productivity Management	2	^
		This subject introduces students to essential concepts of		
		productivity and how it might be used in central kitchen		
		operations to improve performance and productivity. Topics		
		covered include the factors that affect productivity improvement, approaches to productivity measurement and		
		analysis, various practical techniques used in improving		
		productivity as well as case studies.		

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Cumulative Grade Point Average	min 1.0	
TP Fundamentals Subjects	40 credit units	

Diploma Subjects - Core Subjects

63 credit units

Diploma Subjects - Elective Subjects

min 17 credit units

Total Credit Units Completed

min 120 credit units