

Second Cook Tufts University

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Job Title	Second Cook
Department	Tufts Dining
Institution	Tufts University Medford, Massachusetts
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Application Deadline	Open until filled
Position Start Date	Available immediately
Job Categories	Classified Staff
Academic Field(s)	Dining Services
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Overview

This role is an academic year position.

Shift: Sunday, Wednesday, Thursday; 1:00PM - 9:30PM. Friday and Saturday; 12:00-8:30PM. Monday and Tuesday Off.

Tufts Dining is a self-operated food service provider managing a comprehensive collegiate dining program on the Tufts University Medford/Somerville and SMFA/Fenway campus, delivering high quality, contemporary and innovative food, and hospitality services to meet the various needs of students, staff, faculty, administrators, and visitors in a fiscally responsible manner. Our team provides a progressive resident dining program as well as innovative retail services, and a distinctive university catering program serving a campus community comprised of 6500 undergraduates, 2100 graduate students, and 2300 staff, faculty and administrators.

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Residential Dining Centers and Catering are open 7 days a week. Working weekends and evenings will be expected.

What You'll Do

The Second Cook will prep, prepare, and finish a variety of menu items for service following established preparation guidelines and department recipes in quantities forecasted and planned in advance by management using various cooking methods and a variety of food preparation equipment.

- Will garnish and present finished menu items appropriately.
- They will complete all assigned work to meet meal service deadlines following department and industry standards for quality, sanitation and batch cookery.
- They will be flexible and use sound judgment to reduce or increase food quantities prepared based on customers' demand.
- They may prepare and present foods in customer service areas, serving and interacting with customers in a friendly, courteous and professional manner.
- The Second Cook will work as a team with other culinary employees to prepare planned meal service, follow the directions of senior cooks and provide guidance and mentorship to less experienced cooks.
- The Second Cook will be responsible for the cleaning, sanitation and general upkeep of food preparation equipment and workstations and works in accordance with food safety guidelines and completes service records accurately as assigned.
- Must demonstrate the ability to work under periods of fast pace and high pressure.
 - All employees are responsible for punching in and out in accordance with department policy and standards.
 - They must be given permission from a manager to punch in early or stay past their schedule out time.
 - All employees will adhere to posted schedule and all requests for time off will be granted based on business needs.
 - In accordance with the CBA, schedules will be posted 14 days (excludes catering) in advance.
 - Time off requests must follow proper procedure and will be approved/denied in accordance with department needs.
 - No requests will be honored for Senior Week, Holidays, Alumni Weekend, Commencement, Orientation, Matriculation, or Special Events during the Academic Year.

What We're Looking For

Basic Requirements:

- 3 years of experience in a culinary production operation
- Able to read, follow, understand and execute recipes and follow written and verbal directions precisely
- Experience and proven competence using a variety of food preparation equipment and applying various cooking methods
- Experience working independently in a logical, efficient and productive manner
- Must have a pleasant demeanor, enjoy working with people, be a team player and be committed to customer service
- Must speak, read and understand English

Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience preferably in a high-volume operation with a proven broad range of well-developed culinary skills Associates Degree in the Culinary Arts is ideal
- High school diploma/GED is preferred



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- Tufts Dining is a hospitality-oriented service provider, all employees are expected to be customer service sensitive

The pay rate for this position is \$26.45 / hour.

Contact Information

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

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