

VALENCIA COLLEGE DOWNTOWN CAMPUS



The Valencia College Downtown Campus, a shared campus with the University of Central Florida (UCF), offers a multitude of programs, certificates and training to increase access to education in the downtown Orlando area. Valencia College faculty members teach all of the general education classes for both institutions, providing students with a seamless transition into a career or to a degree program at UCF. The campus also offers Accelerated Skills Training programs that provide students an opportunity to prepare for high-demand, higher-wage careers in a short amount of time, with programs ranging from Mechatronics to Distribution Operations Technician to Electronic Board Assembly.

Designed for students to live where they learn, the campus is home to UnionWest at Creative Village, a 15-story building that houses over 600 Valencia College and UCF student residences on floors 6 through 15, and includes restaurants and retail stores on the ground floor as well as student services, with classrooms and amenities on floors 1 through 5. Located in the heart of downtown Orlando, this 21st century campus is one of the most innovative educational partnerships and the first, urban higher education experience within Central Florida.

WALT DISNEY WORLD® CENTER FOR CULINARY ARTS AND HOSPITALITY

Home to the Walt Disney World® Center for Culinary Arts and Hospitality, the Valencia College Downtown Campus will fulfill the need for hospitality and culinary workers in an industry expected to grow 10.8% in Central Florida through 2023. Students have an opportunity to learn from award-winning chefs, work with state-of-the-art culinary tools and train in a variety of cuisines — everything needed to land a successful career upon graduation.

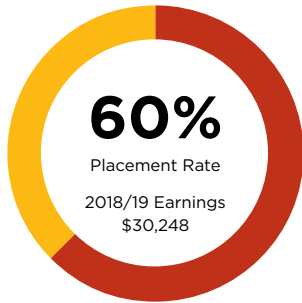
HIGHLIGHTS:

- A \$1.5 million donation from Walt Disney World helped to fund the state-of-the-art lab equipment for the College's culinary and hospitality management programs, that moved downtown from their previous location at Valencia College's West Campus, doubling the capacity of the previous facility.
- The Walt Disney World Center for Culinary Arts and Hospitality occupies more than 50,000-square-feet of space on floors 3, 4 and 5 in the UnionWest building.
- Among Florida's state colleges, Valencia's culinary program is the largest associate degree program in Florida in terms of enrollment and graduates and has the only degree granting Baking and Pastry program in the state.
- Valencia's culinary and hospitality programs have one of the highest job-placement rates. Top employers include Walt Disney World, Marriott, Four Seasons, Universal, Rosen, Darden, and numerous hotels, restaurants, and other foodservice operations.
- In 2019-20, Valencia's Culinary Management Associate in Science (A.S.) degree program had 362 students enrolled, and was the second largest program in Florida.
- In 2019-20, Valencia's Hospitality A.S. degree program was the largest program in the state of Florida with 752 students enrolled and 99 completers.

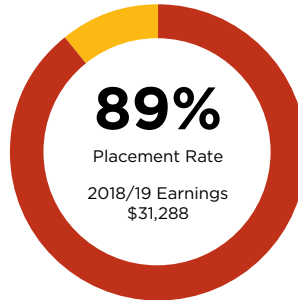


PLACEMENT RATES AND STARTING SALARIES*

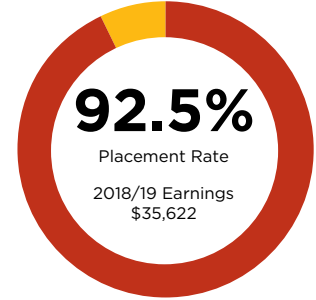
Baking and Pastry Management A.S. Degree



Culinary Management A.S. Degree



Hospitality and Tourism Management A.S. Degree



*2018/19 Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program Data

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

AUSTIN SPECTOR

Last year, Downtown Campus student Austin Spector was one of the first hospitality majors to land a job downtown – within steps of his apartment at UnionWest.

Austin, who is currently enrolled in Valencia's hospitality and tourism management program and working toward his Associate in Arts, is working at the front desk of the Marriott Orlando Downtown, located two blocks from UnionWest, the on-campus housing for the UCF Downtown and Valencia College Downtown Campus.



"I am very excited," shared Austin, who moved from Tampa to study hospitality at Valencia College and transfer to UCF's Rosen College of Hospitality Management to earn his bachelor's degree. "It's a great opportunity, a great company and it's fantastic because I'll be moving right across the street."

NOTABLE GRADUATES INCLUDE:

Trina Gregory-Propst

Executive Chef and Owner
Se7en Bites
www.se7enbites.com

Bruno Zacchini

Executive Chef and Owner
Pizza Bruno
www.pizzabrunofl.com

Camilo Velasco

Executive Chef
Disney's Old Key West Resort
www.disneyworld.disney.go.com/

Jessy Flynn

Owner
Gourmet Today Catering
www.gourmettodayinc.com

Brad Ward

Beverage Manager, Food and Beverage Concept Development
Walt Disney Parks and Resorts U.S.
www.disneyworld.disney.go.com/

Todd Fisher

Senior Manager, Talent Development, Western U.S.
Hilton Worldwide
www.hilton.com