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INSPIRED FRIENDS OF CULINARY ARTS





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The School of Culinary Arts and Food Technology at the Technological University Dublin is the leading provider of education, training and research for the culinary and food-drink-related industries in Ireland. Our aim is to deliver world-class teaching and learning that will help to shape the next generation of leaders in the food and drink sectors. The programmes we offer combine theory and practice tailored to the needs of this industry and responsive to an ever-evolving economy.

The significant achievements of the School would not be possible without the generous and ongoing commitment of our supporters. The INSPIRED Friends of Culinary Arts are **I**nnovative **S**upporters of **P**rofessional **I**ndustry **R**esearch, **E**ducation and **D**evelopment - a group of industry supporters who sustain the School's ethos which embraces 3 D's - diversification, dynamic and distinct education delivery. Our mission is to provide the student with diversification through the range of programmes and modules connected with food and drink from Level 6 right up to Level 10 on the national framework of qualifications.

Diversification - delivery of programmes ranging from culinary arts, bakery, food and drink, molecular gastronomy to new food product development.

Dynamic - the school provides a dynamic education through connectivity with industry.

Distinct - the diversification of programmes and modules facilitates the graduate to map out a distinct and worthwhile career in the food and drinks sectors.

The support of the INSPIRED Friends of Culinary Arts is crucial in providing pathways to success through culinary education for our students. Vibrant links with industry provide opportunities for our graduates but also ensure that industry training needs are met. Funding for innovative research projects around food and drink helps to sound out future trends and developments in the sector. Support for our programmes enhances the students' experience while studying at TU Dublin and underpins the transferability and adaptability of their skills in the workplace.

We encourage you to join us in this mission and be INSPIRED.

Sincerely,

Dr. Frank Cullen
Head of School

School of Culinary Arts & Food Technology

Strategic Plan – Four Pillars

The following evolving four themes have been identified within our School and in consultation with industry as a key focus of our strategic plan for the future.

All of these are underpinned by Professional Practice and Competitions: Culinary, Bakery, Bar and Beverage, Food Entrepreneurship and Horticulture

Gastronomy & Food Studies

- Food Culture & History
- Oenology
- Food & Beverage
- Educational Policy & Culinary Arts Education

Food Health & Nutrition

- Food Safety
- Nutrition
- Occupational Health & Safety
- Well-being:
 - Healthy Eating
 - Obesity
 - Food Labelling

Food Entrepreneurship

- Entrepreneurship
- Consumer Behaviour
- Convenience Food
- Trends
- Marketing Issues
- Media/Branding
- Food Sustainability
- Food Policy

Culinary Science/NPD

- Culinary Science
- New Food Product Development
- Sustainable Economic Impact
- Horticulture



Research & Education

The School of Culinary Arts and Food Technology maintains research projects in a variety of areas, from food product development and sensory analysis to consumer research and Gastronomy. With the support of the INSPIRED Friends of Culinary Arts the School will move towards achieving our research goals and a position among world leaders in food and drink research and education.



Programme Support

The INSPIRED group supports the School so that it can continue to educate students that are valued by the industry. With the support from industry this important effort can be achieved in many ways, for instance by gifting new equipment (for our kitchens, restaurants, bar and bakeries), module support, food and beverage product support, industry visits, education bursaries and other student activities.



School Scholarship Awards

Higher culinary education is a passport to both inclusion and opportunity. The School Scholarship Scheme offers opportunities to help us put our students on the path to success.



Bespoke Programmes

One of the objectives of the INSPIRED initiative is to create career opportunities through the development of strong connections with industry and honing the skills needed for success. Bespoke programmes created in close collaboration between the School and industry partners, have been running successfully for some years preparing our graduates for industry and the smooth transferability of their skills into the workplace.

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Industry Support Categories

GOLD SUPPORTER

Gifts of €10,000 or more per year for two years to a total of €20,000 by way of money, equipment or food/beverage products to the School of Culinary Arts and Food Technology will be acknowledged in the School by the company's name being placed on a plaque located in a visible area of the School. Your support will also be acknowledged on the School's social platforms and the School's newsletter which is published quarterly on our website. Every Gold Supporter will also receive invites to the many culinary demonstrations that take place in the School.

SILVER SUPPORTER

Gifts between €5,000 and €9,999 per year for two years we will acknowledge by placing the name of your company on a plaque located in a visible area of the School and your support will be acknowledged on our website.

BRONZE SUPPORTER

For amounts between €2,500 and €4,999 we will acknowledge this gift by placing the supporter's name on a list of donors on the website for one year.

As an INSPIRED Friend of the School of Culinary Arts and Food Technology, you are supporting TU Dublin's *Transforming Tomorrow* Campaign to create a Centre of Excellence for Food and Drink at our Grangegorman campus.

ALL GIFTS, GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED, WILL BE PROCESSED THROUGH THE TU DUBLIN FOUNDATION

The TU Dublin Foundation is a registered charity (CHY 14226) which supports TU Dublin in its mission as a comprehensive higher education university.



Giving Back to the Community

Meals on Wheels

The School of Culinary Arts and Food Technology are proud to work closely with Meals on Wheels to ensure that all surplus food produced in our teaching kitchens will be delivered to the needy in our society. The School acknowledges the kind support of our INSPIRED Friends of Culinary Arts with our Food Donation Programme.

Haiti Research Project

Following a visit by the School to Haiti after the disaster from Hurricane Matthew which resulted in 580 people dying and over 35,000 left homeless, the School of Culinary Arts and Food Technology are assisting with curriculum delivery, kitchen/restaurant planning and additional support for culinary/hospitality education to assist the country with the redeveloping of a culinary school.

Senior Citizens Christmas Party

Each year the School of Culinary Arts & Food Technology invites over 125 senior citizens from the local community to enjoy a sumptuous three-course dinner prepared and served by the staff and students. The School welcomes our senior citizens to an evening of music, singing and laughter to ensure that our special guests experience a memorable time.

Re-inspired

Re-Inspired is an initiative that supports the participants in re-entering stable employment through assisting them towards taking positions in the culinary industry. This programme is run by the School of Culinary Arts and Food Technology with the support of our INSPIRED Friends and other industry supporters.





INSPIRED FOR THE FUTURE

The School of Culinary Arts and Food Technology has moved to the new, state-of-the-art Grangegorman campus of the Technological University Dublin. The newly formed TU Dublin is the largest third-level education institution in Ireland. The School of Culinary Arts and Food Technology aims to make a major contribution to TU Dublin's educational and research mission.

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