About Student Programs

Why Should Students Join RCA?
Take an interdisciplinary approach to food product development — one increasingly valued by employers — by learning more about Culinology®, the cutting-edge discipline that blends the culinary arts and food science. Position yourself as a rising leader in an industry that places a premium on the “how” and “why” of food product development. Attending RCA events and taking advantage of member benefits will help you foster beneficial relationships with industry leaders, peers, educators and future employers.

Exclusive Student Benefits
• Student-focused conference sessions
• Scholarship and internship opportunities
• Student Culinology® Competition
• Culinology® Poster Presentations
• A new Student Advisory Program pairing professional mentors with RCA students
• On-campus Culinology® clubs
• Opportunities to get involved in industry events
• Discounted membership: only $30 per year
• Discounted conference registration: only $165 per student member

Benefits of RCA Membership
• Networking opportunities with approximately 2,000 industry professionals
• Membership directory listing top research chefs and related professionals
• Members-only access to the RCA Web site, RCA-Connect, Facebook and LinkedIn pages
• Access to the Employment Network, RCA’s listing of job opportunities and internships
• Exclusive subscriptions to CULINOLOGY® magazine and Culinology Currents® E-newsletter

Culinology® Degree Programs
Do you enjoy chemistry, biology and the sciences, but also like hands-on cooking? RCA offers students of all ages the opportunity to formally study Culinology® at these RCA-approved degree programs in the United States and Malaysia:

Allan Hancock College
California State University, Fresno
Cal Poly Pomona (in partnership with Orange Coast College)
Clemson University
Dominican University (in partnership with Kendall College)
Louisiana State University (in partnership with Nicholls State University)
Mississippi State University (in partnership with Mississippi University for Women)
Purdue University (in partnership with Ivey Tech Community College)
Rutgers University (in partnership with Mercer County Community College)
Southwest Minnesota State University
Taylor’s University (Malaysia)
University of Massachusetts at Amherst
University of Nebraska-Lincoln (in partnership with Metropolitan Comm. College)

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