

City & Guilds

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Dear Sir/Madam

Letter of Support

Cambridge Regional College (UK Provider Reference Number: 10001116) supports the following qualification:

601/0299/8 7107-22 Level 1 Certificate in Introduction to the Hospitality Industry

We have been offering this valuable qualification to learners over the age of 19 for many years. The 7107-22 course is an excellent pathway for students with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, or those who have had a break in their education for whatever reason (ill-health, mental health breakdown), especially for learners over the age of 19. We deliver this qualification in partnership with local Social Enterprise groups so that the learners can do their training in a functioning café or restaurant environment. This provides invaluable, practical experience for the learners.

Many young people with SEND take longer in their journey to employment, and having a range of qualifications available to them means that they can equally access the appropriate one for them at an individual level. For example, many of our learners start at College on an independence programme which helps them develop confidence and skills to progress on to an employability qualification where they can become work ready. During this time they receive careers guidance and through different work experience opportunities can make an informed decision to move on to a vocational qualification.

The achievement of this qualification and the skills learned, enables students to progress onto further vocational training in catering and hospitality, or to access voluntary work leading to employment where they are able to demonstrate the practical skills necessary for this area of work. At Cambridge Regional College learners can progress on to the VRQ Level 1, 2 or 3 Diploma in Professional Cookery or NCFE Certificate in Hospitality in Catering (Level 2 or 3) or an Apprenticeship. Cookery Employers recognise the value of a City and Guilds qualification, even at a lower level as it represents quality of learning and assessment processes.

We consent to our name and logo being publically available on the City & Guilds website. The projected number of learners is 10.

Yours faithfully

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