

HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING PROGRAM

Associate in Science Degree (CIP#1252090101)

The Hospitality Experiential Learning Program is a unique pathway for those working in the Hospitality and Tourism industries to gain college credits for on-the-job work in hospitality. Enabling students to qualify for up to 18 articulated credits for work-based learning and industry certifications. This unique hospitality program will make getting an A.S. degree in hospitality management faster and more affordable than ever with savings of up to \$3,400.

Students are strongly encouraged to consult a Career Program Advisor in the department office for assistance in determining the best education plan for their career goals.

Students wishing to transfer any credits from this program to another institution must accept responsibility for securing approval from the transfer institution.

Although scheduling may not always provide for the following progression of courses, students should use the foundation, intermediate and advanced course sequence as a guide in program planning.

All degree-seeking students must satisfy entry testing requirements and satisfactorily complete all mandatory courses in reading, student success, mathematics, English, and English for Academic Purposes in which the student is placed.

Alternative Ways to Earn Credit toward this Degree

Graduates of specific programs at Orange Technical College and Osceola Technical College, as well as other institutions may be eligible to receive college credit for courses in this program. You may also be eligible to receive credit toward this degree if you have earned one of the approved Gold Standard industry certifications or Career Pathways credit. To learn more about Valencia's award of credit options, visit <https://valenciacollege.edu/academics/programs/as-degree/credit-industry-certification-agreements.php>. Eligible students should contact the Career Program Advisor in their academic department for more information about the requirements for the award of credit.

Start Right

Degree-seeking students enrolling at Valencia for the first time will have a limited range of courses from which to choose for their first 18 college-level credits. Within the first 18 college credit hours, you will be required to take ENC1101 (3 credits), and if applicable, SLS 1122 (3 credits) and a mathematics course appropriate to your selected meta-major (3 credits). The remaining courses will be chosen from the General Education Core Courses in humanities (3 credits), science (3 credits), or social science (3 credits), and/or the introductory courses within the A.S. degree programs. For specific courses see the *Foundation Courses* on the "Program Requirements" tab. For course sequencing recommendations, see your Career Program Advisor or create an education plan by logging into Atlas, clicking on the LifeMap tab and clicking My Education Plan.

Potential Careers

- Guest Services Specialist
- Front Office Supervisor/Manager
- Reservations Supervisor
- Food & Beverage Manager
- Lodging Manager
- Event Planner
- Catering & Sales
- Convention Services

Salary & Earnings Information

For career information related to this program, please visit O*Net OnLine (<https://www.onetonline.org/>).

Contacts

Future Students

To learn more about this program, contact Enrollment Services at enrollment@valenciacollege.edu or 407-582-1507 or visit <https://valenciacollege.edu/hospitality-management> (<https://valenciacollege.edu/hospitality-management/>).

Current Students

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Internship and Workforce Services

If you need assistance with job resources or in locating an internship, please visit: valenciacollege.edu/internship (<https://valenciacollege.edu/internship/>).

Program Outcomes

- Analyze information for decision making.
- Identify ethical and legal responsibilities specific to the field.
- Communicate clearly with technical and non-technical audiences.
- Perform Hospitality Industry-specific workplace skills.

Semester 1

HFT 2944	HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT FIELD EXPERIENCE I ⁺⁺	6
ENC 1101	FRESHMAN COMPOSITION I ^{++~}	3

Semester 2

HFT 2945	HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT FIELD EXPERIENCE II ⁺⁺	6
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Mathematics	See Gen. Ed. Requirements ^{++~}	3
PSY 2012	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY	3
Science	See Gen. Ed. Requirements	3
Social Science	See Gen. Ed. Requirements	3
Semester 3		
HFT 2946	HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT FIELD EXPERIENCE III ⁺ *	6
HFT 2254	LODGING OPERATIONS	3
HFT 2401	HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING	3
or ACG 2021C	PRINCIPLES OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING	
or APA 1111C	COLLEGE ACCOUNTING	
Semester 4		
FSS 1206C	QUANTITY FOOD PRODUCTION FOR HOSPITALITY & RESTAURANT MANAGERS	3
HFT 2500	MARKETING IN THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY	3
Hospitality Management Elective [^]		3
Semester 5		
HFT 2261	RESTAURANT AND FOODSERVICE MANAGEMENT	3
CGS 2100C	COMPUTER FUNDAMENTALS AND APPLICATIONS	3
Hospitality Management Elective [^]		3
Semester 6		
Hospitality Management Elective [^]		3
Total Credit Hours		60

- + This course must be completed with a grade of C or better.
- * This course has a prerequisite; check description in Valencia catalog.
- ~ This is a general education course.
- [^] Required elective course option is any HFT course; FSS course; FOS 2201 Food Service Sanitation Management; or HUN 1004 Healthy Cuisine and Nutrition; Department recommended Electives Include: HFT 2630 Security Issues in the Hospitality Industry; HFT 2750 The Event Industry; HFT 2872C Beverage Management and Service; HFT 2021C Beer, Wine and Beverage Essentials; HFT 2863C Fine Spirits Management and Mixology; HFT 2867C Wine Essentials; FSS 2500 Food Beverage Cost Control; Any FSS course for which you meet the prerequisites.

Notes:

For students who are pursuing the A.S. to B.S. path, an additional 15 credits of General Education are required to satisfy the required 36 credits for the Bachelor of Science degree. If completing the additional 15 credits at the University, 6 credits will be in Cultural and Historical Foundations (Gordon Rule writing), 3 credit in Science Foundations, 3 credits in SPC 1608, and 3 credits in Civics. It is recommended for students complete their General Education requirements at Valencia prior to transfer. Students are strongly encouraged to speak with an advisor before selecting the additional General Education courses since requirements are different between the two institutions. Please see a Financial Aid advisor so that your enrollment is covered in these courses.

Please note the State University System foreign language admission requirement <https://catalog.valenciacollege.edu/>

degrees/associateinarts/courserequirements/
#Foreign_Language_Proficiency_Requirement

Upon earning the Hospitality and Tourism A.S. degree, you can also continue at Valencia to complete the B.A.S. degree in Business & Organizational Leadership (<http://catalog.valenciacollege.edu/degrees/bachelorofscience/bas/>). Additional education at the bachelor's level can enhance your skills and create more career opportunities.

Students who wish to continue their education should consult with their Career Program Advisor to discuss transfer options and requirements and determine the best education plan for their career goals. Students wishing to transfer credits from this program to another institution must accept responsibility for securing approval from the transfer institution for acceptance of this degree.