

## **Student Achievement Data - Culinary Arts Program**

Students are at the center of Lakeshore College actions. The academic success of students is Lakeshore's highest priority. The college identifies student achievement data as metrics on retention, graduation, job placement, and industry-based credential/licensure attainment.

This data<sup>1</sup> is benchmarked with IPEDS<sup>2</sup> national data and compared with state data from the 16 colleges making up the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS). Lakeshore performs regular reviews of data during the Quality Review Process.

### **Retention**

[IPEDS Benchmarks - Retention](#) and WTCS Comparison (in chart)

| Description                                                                  | Program                                               | Cohort Year<br>2022-23<br>Lakeshore | Cohort Year<br>2022-23<br>WTCS | Cohort Year<br>2023-24<br>Lakeshore | Cohort Year<br>2023-24<br>WTCS | Cohort Year<br>2024-25<br>Lakeshore | Cohort Year<br>2024-25<br>WTCS |
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| Program students retained from their 1 <sup>st</sup> to 2 <sup>nd</sup> year | 10-316-1 Culinary Arts                                | 68.42%                              | 45.89%                         | 61.11%                              | 47.12%                         | 85.71%                              | 48.85%                         |
|                                                                              | 303162 - Culinary and Baking Basics Technical Diploma | 71.43%                              | 71.43%                         | 70.83%                              | 70.83%                         | 60.00%                              | 60.00%                         |
|                                                                              | 313161 - Culinary Assistant                           | 58.33%                              | 51.22%                         | 69.57%                              | 54.72%                         | 88.89%                              | 62.30%                         |

*Cohort Year refers to the academic year in which students started their education.*

*Source: Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) – Retention*

*Data as of 9-23-2025*

## Graduation

### [IPEDS Benchmarks - Graduation](#) and WTCS Comparison (in chart)

| Description                                                                   | Program                                                                 | Cohort Year<br>2021-22<br>Lakeshore | Cohort Year<br>2021-22<br>WTCS | Cohort Year<br>2022-23<br>Lakeshore | Cohort Year<br>2022-23<br>WTCS | Cohort Year<br>2023-24<br>Lakeshore | Cohort Year<br>2023-24<br>WTCS |
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| Program students<br>graduating from a<br>program within<br><b>three</b> years | 10-316-1<br>Culinary<br>Arts                                            | 29.41%                              | 15.90%                         | 21.05%                              | 17.24%                         | 16.67%                              | 17.29%                         |
|                                                                               | 303162 -<br>Culinary<br>and<br>Baking<br>Basics<br>Technical<br>Diploma | 42.86%                              | 42.86%                         | 57.14%                              | 57.14%                         | 41.67%                              | 41.67%                         |
|                                                                               | 313161 -<br>Culinary<br>Assistant                                       | 38.46%                              | 25.00%                         | 16.67%                              | 23.17%                         | 43.48%                              | 35.85%                         |

| Description                                                                 | Program                                                                 | Cohort Year<br>2018-19<br>Lakeshore | Cohort Year<br>2018-19<br>WTCS | Cohort Year<br>2019-20<br>Lakeshore | Cohort Year<br>2019-20<br>WTCS | Cohort Year<br>2020-21<br>Lakeshore | Cohort Year<br>2020-21<br>WTCS |
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| Program students<br>graduating from a<br>program within<br><b>six</b> years | 10-316-1<br>Culinary<br>Arts                                            | 41.18%                              | 17.65%                         | 33.33%                              | 16.17%                         | 27.27%                              | 19.66%                         |
|                                                                             | 303162 -<br>Culinary<br>and<br>Baking<br>Basics<br>Technical<br>Diploma | 87.50%                              | 87.50%                         | 66.67%                              | 66.67%                         | 60.00%                              | 60.00%                         |
|                                                                             | 313161 -<br>Culinary<br>Assistant                                       | 90.91%                              | 37.58%                         | 61.90%                              | 27.07%                         | 18.18%                              | 28.13%                         |

*Cohort Year refers to the academic year in which students started their education.*

*Source: Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) – Graduation*

*Data as of 9-23-2026*

## Job Placement

Job Placement data is based on a study performed on graduates six-months after they graduate from the College. View the full report of the latest survey:

[https://lakeshore.edu/sites/default/files/pdf/financial-aid/2025-2026/FLR\\_GraduateOutcomesReport\\_060525.pdf](https://lakeshore.edu/sites/default/files/pdf/financial-aid/2025-2026/FLR_GraduateOutcomesReport_060525.pdf)

| Description                                                                                        | Program                                               | Report Year<br>2022-23<br>Lakeshore | Report Year<br>2022-23<br>WTCS | Report Year<br>2023-24<br>Lakeshore | Report Year<br>2023-24<br>WTCS | Report Year<br>2024-25<br>Lakeshore | Report Year<br>2024-25<br>WTCS |
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| Program graduates attaining employment within 1 year of graduation                                 | 10-316-1 Culinary Arts                                | 100.00%                             | 94.44%                         | 100.00%                             | 85.19%                         | 100.00%                             | 92.50%                         |
|                                                                                                    | 303162 - Culinary and Baking Basics Technical Diploma | Insufficient Data Available         | Insufficient Data Available    | Insufficient Data Available         | Insufficient Data Available    | 100.00%                             | 100.00%                        |
|                                                                                                    | 313161 - Culinary Assistant                           | 100.00%                             | 100.00%                        | Insufficient Data Available         | 100.00%                        | Insufficient Data Available         | 66.67%                         |
| Program graduates attaining employment <b>related</b> to their program within 1 year of graduation | 10-316-1 Culinary Arts                                | 100.00%                             | 82.35%                         | 100.00%                             | 95.65%                         | Insufficient Data Available         | 89.19%                         |
|                                                                                                    | 303162 - Culinary and Baking Basics Technical Diploma | Insufficient Data Available         | Insufficient Data Available    | Insufficient Data Available         | Insufficient Data Available    | 100.00%                             | 100.00%                        |
|                                                                                                    | 313161 - Culinary Assistant                           | 100.00%                             | 100.00%                        | Insufficient Data Available         | 100.00%                        | Insufficient Data Available         | 100.00%                        |

*Report Year refers to the academic year.*

*Source: Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) – Job Placement  
Data as of 9-23-2026*

### Industry Based Credential Attainment/Licensure

The culinary associate degree graduation provides ACF certification for career placement after the associate-degree level.

| Description | Program                                                                 | Report Year<br>2022-23<br>Lakeshore | Report Year<br>2022-23<br>WTCS | Report Year<br>2023-24<br>Lakeshore | Report Year<br>2023-24<br>WTCS | Report Year<br>2024-25<br>Lakeshore | Report Year<br>2024-25<br>WTCS |
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|             | 10-316-1<br>Culinary<br>Arts                                            | 27.27%                              | 16.01%                         | 29.41%                              | 15.90%                         | 21.05%                              | 17.24%                         |
|             | 303162 -<br>Culinary<br>and<br>Baking<br>Basics<br>Technical<br>Diploma | Not<br>applicable                   | Not<br>applicable              | Not<br>applicable                   | Not<br>applicable              | Not<br>applicable                   | Not<br>applicable              |
|             | 313161 -<br>Culinary<br>Assistant                                       | Not<br>applicable                   | Not<br>applicable              | Not<br>applicable                   | Not<br>applicable              | Not<br>applicable                   | Not<br>applicable              |

*Report Year refers to the academic year.*

*Source: Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) – Graduation*

*Data as of 9-23-2026*

<sup>1</sup> Chart data obtained from WTCS Program Performance Dashboard and associated OLAP cubes.

<sup>2</sup> The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) gathers information from every college, university, and technical and vocational institution that participates in the federal student financial aid programs. LTC reports IPEDS data on enrollments, program completions, graduation rates, faculty and staff, finances, institutional prices, and student financial aid to the US Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics (NCES).