

Bachelor's Degree Program—Singapore

Admissions Process

The college has a selective admissions process whereby each candidate is evaluated individually. The basic requirements are:

1. **A diploma from a Singaporean polytechnic** Transfer credits have already been mapped out for students with a diploma in culinary and catering management, hospitality and tourism management, or leisure and resort management. If graduates of these programs satisfy the transfer credit policy of the CIA (see [Transfer Credit](#)), they will receive credit for the courses already completed during their polytechnic education. These students will follow a typical sequence of courses, which can be found on the CIA Singapore website at www.ciachef.edu/cia-singapore. Any other students who apply must have their transfer credits mapped specific to their previous diploma program, and may be required to take additional courses. Non-relevant diplomas and other applicants will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
2. **Work experience at a non-fast-food establishment with a professional kitchen** The CIA Singapore requires that students gain relevant experience before enrolling by working in a foodservice operation, by completing culinary classes during high school or postsecondary school, or by completing college- or polytechnic-level culinary courses. Time requirements vary by type of experience. Foodservice and hospitality is a rewarding and challenging profession, and this experience requirement is designed to help students understand the realities of working in the foodservice industry and be confident in their career choice.

Application Procedure

The steps to apply for admission to the bachelor's degree program in Singapore are as follows:

1. **Review the admissions procedure on the Singapore Institute of Technology's website** (www.singaporetech.edu.sg) Admissions will be open for three months, January–March. During this time, prospective students will apply and their applications will be reviewed. If the Admissions Committee approves a student's application, the student will be invited for a face-to-face interview. The purpose of the interview is to meet and get to know the student, and better understand the student's passion for the food and hospitality industry.
2. **Ask for recommendations** Two recommendations are required. One must be from an industry employer that describes the applicant's foodservice experience. The second must be a recommendation from a professional contact (e.g., employer, business associate, mentor), in order to give the Admissions Committee a greater understanding of the student's character and abilities.

To make it easier for a foodservice employer or professional contact to write the letter of recommendation, applicants can download and print the CIA's Letter of Recommendation Guidelines from www.ciachef.edu/cia-singapore and pass them along to the recommender.

For More Information

Please see [General Admissions Information](#).