



Cook 2 Production

Recruitment #: S2571
Review Date: Open | Open until filled
Department: Campus Dining
Salary Rate: \$18.79 - \$27.92 [[Salary Steps](#)]

About Western Oregon University:

Western Oregon University is a regional public, mid-sized university – committed to changing lives, strengthening communities and transforming our world. Located in Monmouth, the heart of Oregon’s lush Willamette Valley, WOU is about 20 minutes from Salem, the state’s capital and about 75 minutes from Portland, the state’s cultural hub.

Western is one of Oregon’s oldest public institutions of higher education and was incorporated into the state system as a teacher training institution in 1882. The university offers undergraduate and graduate degrees in arts and sciences, education and professional areas. It’s known for small class sizes, a focus on sustainability and a diverse liberal arts education in a student-centered environment. Western is a Hispanic Serving institution, with over 40% of undergraduates being students of color.

Position Summary:

The Cook 2 Production position functions within the Associate Vice President/Dean of Students area, specifically within Campus Dining—one of 17 units in the Division of Student Affairs dedicated to supporting the academic mission of the university. Campus Dining provides quality food service to the university community through residential dining, retail operations, catering, and concessions, with an annual budget of \$4.8 million.

This position provides skilled labor and cooking/production support for Dining Services and other WOU operations. The Cook 2 demonstrates strong leadership, communication, and teamwork skills while directing classified employees and student workers in cooking techniques, equipment use, workstation setup, and proper sanitation and safety procedures. The Cook 2 is responsible for preparing menu items “made to order,” maintaining clean and stocked work areas, and ensuring standardized recipes and sanitary production methods are followed in all service locations.

[Click here](#) for the complete position description which includes knowledge areas and preferred qualifications.

Required Qualifications: Please ensure your application materials clearly demonstrate how you meet the following:

- Two years of cooking experience in an institution or commercial firm serving complete meals; OR an associate’s degree in food service management, Foods and Hospitality Service, or a directly related field
- Valid Food Handler’s Card (or ability to obtain upon hire)
- Strong leadership, teamwork, and communication skills
- 1–2 years of professional cooking or food production
- 1–2 years directing or leading kitchen operations
- 1–2 years of experience following and maintaining kitchen operational standards
- 1–2 years training or overseeing staff and student employees

How to Apply: Please upload the following required materials within the application portal.

Applications missing any of the required documents will not move forward for consideration. Please include only the materials listed below:

1. WOU Employment Application form [available here](#) - unclassified/faculty
2. Resume
3. Professional References (Complete and submit the Reference Check form, [available here](#) along with your application)

Background/Education Check:

A criminal background check will be completed as a condition of employment. Education checks are processed for positions requiring a formal degree as a minimum requirement.

Benefits:

Western Oregon University offers an excellent benefits package for eligible employees which includes 95% premium paid healthcare, a generous retirement and vacation package, and reduced tuition rates for employee, spouse or dependent at any of the Oregon Public Universities. <http://www.wou.edu/hr/benefits/>

Equal Employment Opportunity:

Western Oregon University is an equal opportunity employer. We do not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, disability, religion, veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law. We embrace our differences, and know that our diverse team is a strength that drives our success.

Accommodation Requests:

Western Oregon University is committed to developing a barrier-free recruitment process and work environment. If you would like to request disability-related accommodation(s) to participate in a WOU activity or event, please complete the [online request form](#) at least three (3) business days in advance. If you have questions, contact Desiree Noah at noahd@wou.edu.

Veterans Preference

Applicants are eligible to use Veterans' Preference when applying with Western Oregon University in accordance with ORS 408.225, 408.230 and 408.235; and OAR 105-040-0010 and 105-040-0015. Preference will be given only if the applicant meets the minimum criteria of the position and electronically attach the required documentation at the time of application. For information regarding Veterans' Preference qualifications, visit <http://www.oregonjobs.org/DAS/STJOBS/vetpoints.shtml>

To stay informed about the status of this search, we encourage you to regularly visit our careers page at wou.edu/hr/employment/jobs/. Due to the high volume of applications we receive, we are unable to provide individual updates regarding the status of each application. We appreciate your understanding and sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Thank you for your interest in employment at Western Oregon University.