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Chicago's French Pastry School Partners with Robert Morris University Illinois

If chocolate-filled croissants are a passion, or the art of patisserie is a skill you hunger for, The French Pastry School is the pinnacle of sweets education. FPS has offered its world-class baking and pastry program to student chefs since 1995. Now the School is partnering with Robert Morris University Illinois' Institute of Culinary Arts, which has been ranked the Best Culinary School in Illinois, #3 in the Midwest and #16 in the USA by US Culinary Schools Ranking.

Together, FPS and RMU will offer certificates in Pastry and Baking, Cakes, and upon approval, a certificate in Breads. "This partnership helps Robert Morris take its culinary program to new heights in pastry, baking and confectionery arts," said RMU President Mablene Krueger. "It enables our students to complete a special concentration with legendary pastry chefs. The certificate program, which is part of the Bachelor of Professional Studies degree for RMU students, will also be available to accomplished chefs who are interested in adding this specialty to their repertoires."

The highly ranked RMU culinary program has been in operation since 2003 at the downtown campus on State Street. In addition to state of the art teaching kitchens with closed circuit television monitors, the facility has an oversized restaurant kitchen, industrial refrigeration-freezer-pantry section, a dining room, a demonstration area and a large pastry kitchen.

The French Pastry School, also located in downtown Chicago, is known for providing a specialized culinary experience that draws students from all over the world to learn everything from classic French pastries to chocolate candies to artisan breads and everything in between. Bringing the French Pastry School program to Robert Morris will enhance the offering of both schools and ensure students obtain the best education available for careers in culinary arts.

"By partnering with RMU, FPS will be able to bring out world-class programs to even more students," said Chef Jacquy Pfeiffer, co-founder of The French Pastry School. "We

believe the collaboration will be a great success and will provide an ongoing supply of pastry chefs to the culinary industry here in Chicago and around the world,” said Chef Sebastien Canonne, M.O.F., co-founder of FPS.

The French Pastry School

Founded in 1995, The French Pastry School is the only major culinary school in N.A. dedicated to all things sweet and baked. FPS provides hands-on education taught entirely in state-of-the-art kitchens by world-renowned chefs. FPS has trained thousands of chefs through its full-time certificate programs in Pastry and Baking, Cake, and Bread and its continuing education workshops. Co-founders Sébastien Canonne, M.O.F., and Jacquy Pfeiffer, James Beard Award-winning author, are both recipients of the French Legion of Honour Award and were featured in the “Kings of Pastry” documentary.

Robert Morris University Illinois is a not-for-profit, baccalaureate and graduate degree granting institution, accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.* The University serves students interested in getting an education in business, graphic arts, nursing and health care, culinary and computer studies at its main campus in Chicago, as well as at locations in Arlington Heights, Elgin, Orland Park, Springfield, Peoria, Schaumburg and Lake County. ***In all communications, please refer to the university by its full name, Robert Morris University Illinois.*** *Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, 30 N. LaSalle Street, Chicago, IL 60602, 312-263-0456.