



Hospitality Training Association Inc.

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HTA accredited by Wine and Spirit Education Trust

Brisbane-based Hospitality Training Association Inc. (HTA) has been accredited to deliver Certificate and Diploma programs by the internationally-recognised Wine and Spirit Education Trust. From September students enrolled in the Certificate and Diploma programs will have the opportunity to complete these programs at no additional cost.

The Wine and Spirit Education Trust (WSET) is regarded as the world's leading provider of wine and spirit education and exists to promote, provide and develop high quality education and sought-after qualifications in wines and spirits for those in tourism and hospitality industry and wine and spirit trade.

There is a growing demand for knowledge and appreciation of wine globally. HTA is continually looking to expand our students' horizons to make sure they have a competitive employment edge and the addition of the WSET qualification means HTA graduates will add a high-level of wine and spirits knowledge to their already comprehensive skills in food and beverage.

The structure of the program ensures knowledge is matched with hands-on skill development, with tasting classes, styles of wine, wine and spirit production, service and retailing and the responsible service of alcohol.

The various course options, from certificate to diploma level, means students can gain entry-level qualifications along with advanced knowledge and expertise needed for management and specialist roles.

In today's competitive market, employers around the world are looking for knowledgeable, well-rounded hospitality graduates with a diverse range of skills.

At HTA we are committed to ensuring our graduates have the practical skills and knowledge to take them anywhere they want to go, and partnerships like this one with the Wine and Spirit Education Trust ensure we meet industry demand into the future.

For more information about the course, visit www.hta.org.au or phone 1800 068 693.

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