

RECRUITMENT PACK

This document includes the following information:

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Making an application:

When completing the on-line application form you will be asked to answer questions to help you demonstrate how you meet the requirements of the post. Your answers will be used at the shortlisting and interview stages of the recruitment process. We therefore recommend that you take a copy of this recruitment pack to help with your preparation.

NOTE: You don't have to answer the questions in one attempt, but can save your incomplete application and return to it at another time. You may want to draft your answers using Microsoft Word and then copy your text into the application form. Please be aware that formatting (e.g. underline, bold, bulleting) will be lost in this process. If you are using an Apple product you will need to use an alternative web browser to Safari such as Google Chrome.

- Links to Guidance Notes and Frequently Asked Questions can be found on the Search Results page. These pages will open in a new window.
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A commitment to sustaining an inclusive and diverse community is one of the University's Core Values and we are keen to address any imbalances in our workforce.

The University of Essex is proud to be part of the Disability Confident scheme and is committed to supporting diversity and equality, representative of our inclusive community. As part of our commitment to this scheme any candidate who has a disability and meets all the essential criteria for the role will be offered an interview. We also work in partnership with national disability organisation DisabledGo who provide detailed online access guides to many of our campus buildings and facilities which you may find useful.

Please note: We are only accepting on-line applications for this post. However, if you have a disability that makes it difficult for you to provide us with information in this way, please contact the Resourcing Team (01206-876559) for help.

Closing Date: 21 January 2019

Interviews are planned for: TBC

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JOB DESCRIPTION – Job REQ02243

Job Title and Grade:	Catering Assistant UECS Band A
Contract:	Permanent, Full-time
Hours:	38 hours per week
Salary:	£16,498 rising to £17,338 on successful completion of probationary period
Department/Section:	UECS / Essex Food
Responsible to:	General Manager
Reports on a day to day basis to:	Unit Supervisor / Manager
Purpose of job:	Working in one of our retail units; preparing and serving food in an efficient, enthusiastic, polite and friendly manner to our customers, adhering to all food regulations and being active in promoting the units and Essex Foods offers.

Duties of the Post:

The main duties of the post will include:

1. Ability to promote a welcoming environment where colleagues, clients and customers receive great service.
2. Undertake light cooking duties and basic food preparation, ensuring meals are served as required.
3. Operating catering equipment.
4. Carry out stock checks and maintain inventory records of all food store cupboards. Ensure all store cupboards are kept clean and tidy and that all paperwork is up to date.
5. Ordering of stock via stores.
6. General cleaning duties at end of session, including equipment, tables, and customer areas. Ensure the highest level of food hygiene, safety and cleanliness is kept.
7. Serving customers and operating a till.
8. When required assisting the rest of the team in a willing and positive manner.
9. Complying with all hygiene standards.
11. Attending training sessions as required.
12. Adhering to procedures and methods as laid down by the University.

13. Awareness of individual responsibilities under the Health and Safety at Work Act and observing safe working methods at all times.

14. Report any equipment requiring repair or maintenance.

Undertake any other duties that may be assigned by the General Manager or their nominee.

These duties are a guide to the work that the post holder will initially be required to undertake. They may be changed from time to time to meet changing circumstances.

Terms of Appointment

For a full description of the terms of appointment for this post please visit:
<https://www.essex.ac.uk/staff/working-at-essex/uecs-staff>

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PERSON SPECIFICATION

JOB TITLE: Catering Assistant

Qualifications /Training

	Essential	Desirable
▪ Basic Food Hygiene Certificate or equivalent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ Experience/training in customer care practices	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Experience/Knowledge

	Essential	Desirable
▪ Experience of basic food preparation in a catering environment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ Previous experience in the service industry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ Experience of cash handling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
▪ A good understanding of Food Hygiene Regulations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ Knowledge of food allergens	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Skills/Abilities

	Essential	Desirable
▪ Excellent communication and interpersonal skills	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ Awareness of Hygiene standards and the ability to maintain these standards	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ Ability to work in a busy and challenging environment, prioritising tasks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ Excellent customer service skills	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ The ability to work unsupervised and as part of a team	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ The ability to maintain high standards of health, hygiene and food presentation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ Awareness of individual responsibilities under the Health and Safety at Work Act and the ability to observe safe working methods at all times	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ Good basic numeracy skills	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other

	Essential	Desirable
▪ Ability to meet the requirements of UK 'right to work' legislation*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ Must be able to undertake the manual aspects of the post, some of which will require physical effort.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ Passion for food	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ A 'can do' attitude, prepared to help out the rest of the team in a willing and positive manner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ Satisfactory University Food Handling health clearance by the University Occupational Health service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
▪ Flexible approach to working hours. Evening and weekend work will be required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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* The University has a responsibility under the Asylum, Immigration and Nationality Act 2006 to ensure that all employees are eligible to work in the UK. Prior to commencing employment, the successful candidate will be asked to provide documentary evidence to this effect. Please note that the University will not be able to issue a Tier 2 Certificate of Sponsorship for this post. For further information about UK immigration requirements please follow this link
<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-visas-and-immigration>

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

UECS / Essex Food

You can find more information about the department at the following link:

<https://www1.essex.ac.uk/catering/>

General Information

5 days out 7 (including occasional evenings and weekends)

Informal enquiries may be made to Darren Tyers, Retail Manager (telephone: 01206 272386 e-mail: dtyers@essex.ac.uk). However, all applications must be made online.

Campus Services will focus on 5 core principles:

1. To develop and operate the commercial facilities at the University of Essex with the highest standards of customer care and value for money to enhance the student and staff experience.
2. To collaborate with Academic Departments and Professional Services.
3. To engage actively with the local and regional community to further the reputation of the University of Essex.
4. To champion a team culture with succession planning and remuneration firmly anchored on performance.
5. To deliver annual growth in surplus for the University of Essex.

Campus Services

Created in 2010, the Campus Services directorate brings together existing staff and student commercial services, with a combined turnover of £21m and total staff of over 230 full-time equivalents. Services delivered under the Campus Services umbrella are critical to enabling the University to deliver the objectives in its strategic plan – improving the student experience, facilitating growth and improving the financial performance of the University.

Some business units within Campus Services – Event Essex, Print Essex and Wivenhoe Park Day Nursery – are part of University of Essex Campus Services Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of the University of Essex.

Accommodation Essex

Accommodation Essex contributes to a positive student experience by providing a safe and supported environment in which students can develop personally and academically. The University of Essex offers a wide range of accommodation suited to a variety of needs all within walking distance of the academic departments and campus facilities at both Southend and Colchester campuses.

You can find more information about the department at the following link

<http://www.essex.ac.uk/accommodation/>

Essex Sport

The Colchester Campus Sports Centre offers excellent indoor and outdoor facilities including the £1.4 million Evolve gym and fitness rooms. At the Southend Campus there is the Evolve Gym and a wide range of opportunities to participate in sport, exercise and health at great value for students, staff and the local community.

Wivenhoe House Hotel

Wivenhoe House is a four star country house hotel, set in parkland on campus. It is also home to the Edge Hotel School.

Essex Food

Through their many catering outlets and delivered hospitality service, Essex Food provides a professional and courteous customer led service to students, staff and visitors. The promotion of a nutritious, and value for money hospitality service, together with respect and dignity for customers and staff are the cornerstones of their business.

Event Essex

Event Essex promotes the vast range of University of Essex conference, meeting and event venues in Colchester and Southend to businesses and public sector organisations locally, regionally and nationally. The dedicated team offers an expert event planning and co-ordination service.

Print Essex

Print Essex provides a high quality design, copy and print service at competitive prices to all users, both on and off campus.

Wivenhoe Park Day Nursery

Set in the peaceful surroundings of Wivenhoe Park, the purpose built Wivenhoe Park Day Nursery offers outstanding day care to children from 3 months to 5 years, as well as holiday clubs for children from 5-11 years. Places are open to all, including the public.

everythingEssex

In 2011, Campus Services began co-ordinating official University of Essex merchandise and gifts. This exciting project included product development and improving routes to market. Merchandise is available on the **everything Essex** outlet at the Colchester campus or on-line at <http://www.essex.ac.uk/everythingessex/>

Further information on Campus Services can be found via www.essex.ac.uk/uecs.

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No Smoking Policy

University of Essex Campus Services Limited has a No Smoking policy.

The University of Essex – a profile

The University of Essex was founded in 1964 when it opened its doors to a cohort of just 122 students. Since then, we have grown in both reputation and size. There are now more than 10,000 students studying at three campuses - in Colchester, Southend and Loughton (East 15 Acting School). All academic activity is organised into four faculties – Humanities, Science and Health and Social Sciences.