MEMORANDUM

TO: Howard H. Karr
Chairperson, Board of Regents

VIA: MRC Greenwood
President, University of Hawai‘i

FROM: Leon Richards
Chancellor

SUBJECT: Establishment of an Advanced Professional Certificate (APC) in Culinary Management at Kapi‘olani Community College

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED:

It is requested that the Board of Regents approve the Advanced Professional Certificate in Culinary Management at Kapi‘olani Community College.

RECOMMENDED EFFECTIVE DATE:

Fall 2011.

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to Board of Regents Policy 5-1, the Board of Regents has the authority to approve new degree programs upon the recommendation of the President.

Kapi‘olani Community College (KapCC) proposes to offer an Advanced Professional Certificate (APC) in Culinary Management which will provide culinary students from across the University of Hawai‘i system an opportunity to gain advanced culinary and managerial skills beyond the current two-year programs and which can lead to a Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree in Culinary Management from the University of Hawai‘i West O‘ahu (UHWO). Additionally, the APC and BAS will support the State’s workforce needs.

Currently, there are no programs in Hawai‘i that teach advanced culinary skills and, as a result, those who aspire to more senior, higher-paying positions must leave Hawai‘i to obtain the necessary skills and credentials. A key objective in offering this certificate is to keep culinary talent in the state.

The APC in Culinary management will offer advanced third-year courses building upon the fundamental culinary skills obtained in the two-year AS degree incorporating critical thinking skills, emerging culinary trends, advanced nutrition, beverage service management and advanced skills in contemporary cuisines.

Students who complete either Kapi‘olani’s A.S. in Culinary Arts degree or a comparable degree at another community college will qualify for entrance to this Advanced Professional Certificate in Culinary Management. Graduates of the program will find employment in positions requiring advanced culinary skills (as executive chefs, chefs and sous chefs) and in management positions in food service, restaurant and hotel operations. With its tourism-based economy, Hawai‘i has ample employment opportunities
for skilled culinarians. The Department of Labor’s Occupational Information Network estimates that there were 2,210 food service managers and 1,020 professional chefs in Hawai‘i in 2008.

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

It is recommended that the Board of Regents establish the Advanced Professional Certificate in Information Technology at Kapiʻolani Community College, to be effective Fall 2011.

Attachment

C: Secretary to the Board of Regents