Who wouldn’t want a career in one of the most popular and fastest growing industries in the country? And one where you can provide people with dining and social experiences that give the ultimate in guest satisfaction? According to the National Restaurant Association (NRA), there are approximately 970,000 restaurants in the United States. Restaurant industry sales account for $631 billion annually. 92% of people say they enjoy going out to restaurants with 66% expecting they will be able to enjoy flavors and tastes they cannot duplicate at home. The industry employs an estimated 12.9 million people, making it the nation’s second-largest employer outside of government and is expected to add 1.4 million jobs over the next decade. Restaurant-industry job growth has outpaced the national economy for 12 consecutive years, from 2000 through 2011. In addition, “America’s restaurants today are leaders in nutrition and healthy living; sustainability and social responsibility; and, entrepreneurship and business opportunities. Restaurants keep the promise of the American Dream alive” (NRA).

All students are admitted directly into the Hospitality Management Major and will receive the education required to manage any business through their participation in courses such as human resources management, organizational behavior, facilities management, hospitality law and a course in leadership, management and ethics. Students also study food sanitation, food service operations, cost control, career development, financial and managerial accounting, financial management, hospitality service management, and operations and strategic management. The addition of a concentration in Restaurant Management provides study focused on the food service industry through additional coursework taken in culture and cuisine, nutrition, purchasing and two additional food and beverage electives chosen by the student to reflect their career goals. The addition of the required work experience and internship in the food service area as well as a broad liberal arts approach to the general education core makes this program second to none in preparing future restaurant managers.

The College
The William F. Harrah College of Hotel Administration offers one of the world’s best programs in the preparation of students for the global hospitality and leisure services professions. Strong classroom academics are combined with focused internship and mentoring opportunities to provide a solid, applied educational foundation. The college features professional programs with a career in management as its goal. Our programs prepare students for a diverse and exciting business focus specific to careers in hotels/lodging, restaurants, tourism, gaming, trade shows, conventions, meeting planning, and food service. In addition, our location offers students the “World’s Greatest Laboratory” of opportunities to acquire professional experience in the hospitality and leisure services field.
Employment Opportunities
The Restaurant Management Concentration prepares graduates to enter this diverse and
dynamic industry ready to accept a position in any segment of food service management, from
fine and casual dining to fast food, catering and franchise ownership. Restaurant managers
are responsible for the daily operations of restaurants including the oversight of the kitchen, dining room, banquet operations
and most importantly, customer satisfaction. Many continue on to join family businesses or open restaurants and catering companies.
Our graduates in this field are also working in research, development, testing, technology and
government positions serving the food service industry.

Who Hires Our Graduates?
• Allegiant Air
• Activity Planners
• Aristocrat Technologies
• ARAMARK
• Bally Technologies
• Bob Evans Restaurants
• Boyd Gaming Corporation
• Caesar’s Entertainment
• Cannery Casino Resorts
• Canyon Ranch Spa Club
• Charlie Palmer Group
• Club at Cordillera
• Club Med
• Coast Hotels and Resorts
• Compass Group
• Cornerstone Colorado Club
• Cosmopolitan Casino Resort
• Dakota Events
• Destination by Design
• Dragon Hill Lodge
• Echelon Resorts
• Ecolab
• Encore Productions
• Enterprise Car Rental
• Expedia
• Fairmont Hotels
• Four Seasons
• Freeman Group
• GBS Linens
• GES Exposition
• Hard Rock Casino
• HEI Hotels
• Highgate Hotels
• Hillstone Restaurant Group
• Hilton Hotels Corporation
• Holland American Line
• Houston's Restaurants
• Hyatt Hotels and Resorts
• IGT
• Incline Village Resorts
• InterContinental Hotel Group
• J. Alexander’s Corporation
• Kimpton Hotels and Restaurants
• Kohler Company
• Konami
• Las Vegas Convention & Visitors Authority
• Las Vegas Sands (Venetian Group)
• Lettuce Entertain You Enterprises
• Loews Lake Las Vegas Resort
• LXR – Luxury Resorts and Hotels
• Mammoth Mountain Ski Area
• Mandarin Oriental
• Marriott International
• MGM Resorts International
• Mina Group
• Omni Hotels
• Pacifica Hotel Company
• Panda Express
• PCH Resorts
• Peninsula Hotels
• Pinnacle Entertainment
• Pizza Hut
• Priority Event Staffing
• Resort at Squaw Creek
• Rosewood Hotels and Resorts
• Sage Hospitality Resources
• SeaWorld Orlando
• ShuffleMaster
• Sodexo
• Soirees Catering
• Southern Wine and Spirits
• Starbucks Coffee Company
• Starwood Hotels and Resorts
• Station Casinos
• T.G.I. Fridays
• The Capital Group
• The Cheesecake Factory
• The Grand Del Mar Resort
• Tower 23
• Trump International
• USA Hosts
• Vail Resorts
• Vegas 4 Locals
• Walt Disney World
• White Lodging
• Wirtz Beverage
• Wyndham
• Wynn Las Vegas

Typical Jobs in the Food Service Management Field include...
• Banquet Manager
• Beverage Manager
• Business Manager
• Catering Manager
• Food and Beverage Analyst
• Food and Beverage Cost Accountant
• Food and Beverage Information Technology
• Food and Beverage Manager
• Food and Beverage Sales Agent
• Foodservice Director (healthcare)
• Kitchen Manager
• Nightclub Manager
• Purchasing Agent
• Quality Assurance Supervisor
• Resort/Hotel Food Service Manager
• Retail Food Service Manager
• Retail Food Manager
• Sommelier