Qualification Title: New Zealand Certificate in French Pâtisserie (Intermediate)

Qualification number: 1895

Date of review: 5 August 2015

Final decision on consistency of qualification: National consistency confirmed

Threshold

The threshold to determine sufficiency with the graduate profile was determined as evidence of:

- Competent preparation for the level 4 French Pâtisserie programme
- Competent preparation of appropriate Pâtisserie products under direction and supervision within an allocated time.
- Evidence of Le Cordon Bleu France requirements being met in accordance with the qualification being offered through a licensing arrangement with Le Cordon Bleu France.
- Evidence that the quality requirements outlined in the licensing arrangement with Le Cordon Bleu France are being met to maintain the graduate outcomes at the level of the qualification

Tertiary Education Organisations with sufficient evidence

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Introduction

The purpose of this 40 credit qualification is to provide the hospitality industry with individuals who have attained sufficient knowledge, practices and technical skills in classical French Pâtisserie to progress to the level 4 Pâtisserie qualification or enter into employment.

The Le Cordon Bleu New Zealand Institute (LCBNZ), in partnership with and under the accreditation of a Tertiary Education Organisation, and in compliance with the licensing arrangement between LCBNZ and Le Cordon Bleu (International), offers 1895 NZ Certificate in French Pâtisserie (Intermediate) (Level 3) as the foundation programme in French Pâtisserie. Students have completed the Level 2 (Basic) qualification prior to progressing through to the Level 3 (Intermediate) and then may progress to the Level 4 (Superior) certificates in French Pâtisserie. Students normally enrol in a programme of study that leads to the award of all 3 qualifications.
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To meet all of the outcomes of the graduate profile, programmes can only be offered through a licensing arrangement with Le Cordon Bleu. This is the only licensed site in New Zealand.

There were 33 graduates in 2014.

Evidence

How well does the evidence provided by the education organisation demonstrate that its graduates match the graduate outcomes at the appropriate threshold?

The TEO provided a range of evidence to demonstrate that their graduates met the graduate profile outcomes.

The criteria used to judge the above evaluation question were (p10 NZQA consistency guidelines):

- The nature, quality and integrity of the evidence presented by TEO
- How well the organisation has analysed, interpreted and validated the evidence, and used the understanding gained to achieve actual or improved consistency
- The extent to which the TEO can reasonably justify and validate claims and statements relating to the consistency of graduate outcomes, including in relation to other providers of programmes leading to the qualification.

Examples of evidence provided

Employer attestation/Industry feedback

The TEO provided an employer attestation of a graduate being a reliable and skilful pastry chef. Further comment indicated they had ‘employed’ [Pâtisserie] students to assist with special cakes, and would be happy to employ others. From further evidence, it is now clear which level qualification these students were undertaking and have graduated from.

Graduate feedback

Graduate feedback was obtained from students progressing to the level 4 qualification. They were specifically asked about the transition to the level 4 qualification.

Graduate destination and progression

Graduate progression to the level 4 qualification was presented, as well as data showing those in work in June 2015.

Rationale for rating/justification

The evidence from graduate feedback, employer attestations and graduate destination supports the evidence given for all graduate outcomes in the presentation and self-assessment. The students enrol in a programme of study that includes both the level 3 and level 4 qualifications. Here weeks into the level 4 qualification students were specifically asked about the transition to level 4, and all respondents were positive.
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Benchmarking data with Le Cordon Bleu NZ Institute (LCBNZ) would strengthen and support data. It is noted that evidence for future reviews will also include strengthened graduate surveys.

The evidence so far is also supported by the resulting threshold decided in the consistency review by the TEO and qualification developer. The students referred to are the graduates of the qualifications reviewed.

Together this evidence makes this a convincing case for this evidence to demonstrate that its graduates match the graduate outcomes at the appropriate threshold as soon as evidence of meeting Le Cordon Bleu requirements is received by NZQA.

**Special Focus**

There was no special focus

**Examples of good practice**

Continuous improvement: In the short time since the level 2 qualification was reviewed, considerable effort has been taken to obtain appropriate evidence of consistency, and further actions were planned at this meeting.

**Progression data**

Employer attestation (however this needs to be qualification (level) specific)

**Issues and concerns**

None

**Recommendations to Qualification Developer**

That consideration be given to greater emphasis on the education pathway outcome for this qualification (which nearly all students take).