

# IWEG

## APPROVED WSET PROGRAMME PROVIDER

The **Independent Wine Education Guild (IWEG)** is a not-for-profit organization. Established in 1977 IWEG partners with the **Wine and Spirit Education Trust (WSET)** to provide wine and spirit education to **professionals** in the trade as well as to private individuals.

As an **Approved WSET Programme Provider**, IWEG offers the Certificate courses and Diploma programs across Canada.

IWEG's instructors are experts within the trade and most have completed the Diploma level of education, and beyond. All are highly qualified professionals with a desire to pass along their knowledge of, and passion for the glorious grape.

In addition, IWEG offers all courses in a Home Study format for students living outside Southern Ontario.

Examinations are prepared and graded by WSET in England. Students who pass will receive the professional qualification of Certificate or Diploma from the Wine and Spirit Education Trust. **WSET** is recognized world wide as the pre-eminent professional Wine and Spirit educational institute.

## LEVEL 2 COURSE

### INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE:

IN TORONTO AT GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE, IN KITCHENER AT CONESTOGA COLLEGE & IN PALGRAVE ORANGE HALL

The Intermediate Certificate Course is comprised of 10 weekly sessions of three hours duration, dealing with all aspects of wine. Each of the major grape varieties are examined as we travel the world of wine studying the various types, styles and vinification methods and laws governing the different wine producing regions of the world. Students are given an opportunity to taste and compare examples of the wines being studied as they are guided through the WSET Systematic Approach to Tasting. An overview of beers, spirits and liqueurs is included. A multiple choice & map examination takes place in the tenth session.

Tuition.....\$650

## LEVEL 3 COURSE

### **ADVANCED CERTIFICATE:** IN TORONTO AT GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE

The Advanced Certificate is comprised of 15 weekly sessions of three hours duration. Students gain core knowledge of the wide range of wines and spirits around the world. The qualification is designed for trade employees working in a supervisory capacity; advising management; answering customer queries authoritatively and making informed selections of wines and spirits in a wide variety of situations. Instruction in this course builds on the concepts introduced and developed in the prerequisite Intermediate Certificate course. This qualification is a required for those planning to move on to the WSET Diploma. Samples of wines, spirits and liqueur wines will be provided during class and students will further develop their tasting and analyzing skills employing the WSET Systematic Approach to Tasting.

The examination consists of multiple choice, map, short written answers and a blind tasting analysis.

Tuition.....\$1000

## LEVEL 4 COURSE

### **DIPLOMA:** IN TORONTO AT GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE

The Diploma Course is an intensive and detailed study of all aspects of the worldwide wine and spirit industry, including commercial factors and a thorough system for the professional evaluation of wines. The course is divided into seven Units. All Units are taught once each year and students may take up to six years to complete the course. Courses begin in August and run through the following June. This qualification will prepare those who are required to make managerial decisions, interpret information and have a thorough understanding of market trends and requirements in a variety of trade and industry sectors.

Holders of the WSET Level 4 Diploma in Wines and Spirits will be able to identify characteristics of the principal wines and spirits of the world, make informed assessments of a product's quality and value and identify appropriate opportunities for the product within a given market.

Course Work Assignments, Portfolios of Tasting Notes, blind tasting examinations and written theory examinations will be assessed to determine a passing grade.

Tuition.....\$4,800

Home Study tuition.....\$2,700

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