STAFF VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Culinary Professional I (Cook I)

**Department:** Dining Services  
**Position:** Full-time, varying schedule  
**Wage:** $10.70 per hour  
**Union Affiliation:** Montana Public Employees Association  
**Posting Date:** August 2016

**Description**

The culinary professional reports to the head cook and is responsible for preparation of food items such as salads, soups and entrees from established menus and recipes. Responsibilities also include cleaning and sanitizing equipment, utensils and coolers; properly storing items according to health codes; recording daily meal counts; and calculating food quantities to be prepared. This position requires a varying work schedule.

**Qualifications**

The successful candidate must hold two years of commercial food service experience, one of which should be in a food preparations capacity. Candidate must be skilled in the operation of various types of food service equipment as well as in communicating with others both orally and in writing. Physical requirements include lifting up to 40 pounds, pushing and pulling carts and equipment, long periods of standing and exposure to heat, cold and cleaning chemicals. The knowledge, skills and abilities described here are typically acquired through a combination of a high school diploma and two years of commercial food service. A Serve Safe certificate is required within six months of employment and can be acquired on the job.

**Application**

To be considered for this position, please submit a cover letter including three professional references and a completed State of Montana Government Job Application (available at [http://wsd.dli.mt.gov/service/app.asp](http://wsd.dli.mt.gov/service/app.asp) or through the Montana Job Service) to:

Patti Lake  
Human Resources  
The University of Montana Western  
710 South Atlantic Street  
Dillon, Mont. 59725

For additional information, call (406) 683-7228.
Review of applications will begin in August and continue until the position is filled.

The University and Dillon Area

The University of Montana Western, located in Dillon, MT, is an innovative institution nestled in a scenic valley in the Rocky Mountains of southwestern Montana. The campus Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) for student enrollment is approximately 1,289. Montana Western has over 60 FTE faculty members, features small cases for all students and has been recognized for excellence by U.S. News and World Report. Montana Western’s small size and focus on education innovation have earned it the reputation of being a place where faculty and staff chose to collegially and creatively make a difference in the education of students. Montana Western is the first and only public four-year college in the nation to use block scheduling in which students take a single class at a time. This immersion learning program facilitates increased opportunities for experiential types of learning.

The mission of the University of Montana Western is to provide innovative interdisciplinary education through experiential learning that combines theory and practice. Montana Western services citizens of all ages with its academic, community service, and lifelong-learning programs. As part of the global community, Montana Western encourages diversity, international awareness, environmental responsibility, and mastery of technology as a gateway to the world.

Dillon, a community of 5,000 people, is known for outstanding public schools, safe environments, recreational opportunities and an excellent quality of life.

The University of Montana Western is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and encourages applications from qualified women, minorities, veterans and people with disabilities. Qualified candidates may request veterans, or disabilities preference in accordance with state law. Reasonable accommodations are provided in the hiring process for persons with disabilities. Finalists for this position will be subject to a criminal background investigation.