



NOTICE TO COMPLY

CU-75991021-071626

Institution Name:	California Culinary Arts Institute	Institution Telephone:	(619) 917-0510
Institution Code:	75991021	Administrator Name:	Sohrab Zardkoohi
Street Address:	1620 National Avenue San Diego, CA 92113	Inspection Date:	7/16/26

The Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (Bureau) issues this Notice to Comply pursuant to California Education Code (CEC) section 94935 and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations (5 CCR) section 75010.

California Private Postsecondary Education Act: https://www.bppe.ca.gov/lawsregs/ppe_act.pdf
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Violation	Code Section Violated	Description of the violation and required correction.
1	5 CCR § 71810 (b)(4)(A)	Violation Description: The institution's 2025 catalog failed to contain the level of English language proficiency required of students. Correction: The institution shall update its 2026 catalog to include the English language proficiency required of students, pursuant to 5 CCR § 71810 (b)(4)(A).
2	CEC § 94909 (a)(5)	Violation Description: On page 12 of institution's 2025 catalog, the program hours for the "Culinary Arts" program does not match Bureau records. Correction: To remedy this violation, the institution shall provide proof of the documentation submitted to the Bureau's Licensing Unit for the approval to update the program hours to 1000 hours for The Culinary Arts program. If the institution did not notify Bureau's Licensing Unit of the change in program hours, the school may contact the Bureau's Licensing Unit at BPPE.Licensing@dca.ca.gov regarding information and requirements to update Bureau records.

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		OR if the Bureau's records are correct the institution shall update the 2026 catalog to reflect the approved program hours of 800.
3	CEC § 94909 (a)(9)	Violation Description: The institution's 2025 catalog failed to contain an estimated schedule of total charges for the entire educational program. "Total charges" means the sum of institutional and noninstitutional charges. Correction: The institution shall update its 2026 catalog to include the above-mentioned estimated schedule of total charges pursuant to CEC § 94909 (a)(9).
4	CEC § 94909 (a)(10)	Violation Description: The institution's 2025 catalog failed to contain whether the institution participates in state financial aid programs, and, if so, all consumer information that is required to be disclosed to the student pursuant to state financial aid programs. Correction: The institution shall update its 2026 catalog to include the above-mentioned disclosure pursuant to CEC § 94909 (a)(10).
5	CEC § 94911 (a)	Violation Description: On page one of institution's Culinary Arts Enrollment Agreement template, the program hours for the "Culinary Arts" program does not match Bureau records. Correction: To remedy this violation, the institution shall provide proof of the documentation submitted to the Bureau's Licensing Unit for the approval to update the program hours to 1000 hours for The Culinary Arts program. If the institution did not notify Bureau's Licensing Unit of the change in program hours, the school may contact the Bureaus Licensing Unit at BPPE.Licensing@dca.ca.gov regarding information and requirements to update Bureau records. OR if the Bureau's records are correct the institution shall update the Culinary Arts Enrollment Agreement template to reflect the approved program hours of 800.

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6	CEC § 94911 (e)(2) in conjunction with CEC § 94920 (d)	Violation Description: The refund policy on page three of the institution's enrollment agreement template contains an unenforceable policy specifying that if a student completes 60% of the program that they are not due a pro-rata refund. This is not compliant with CEC § 94920 (d), as the refund policy for students who have completed 60 percent or less of the period of attendance shall be a pro rata refund. Correction: The institution shall update its enrollment agreement template for all programs, to include the above-mentioned policy pursuant to CEC § 94911 (e)(2) in conjunction with CEC § 94920 (d).
7	CEC § 94913 (a)(1)	Violation Description: The homepage of the institution's website failed to post the most current catalog. Correction: Once the institution's catalog has been updated to remedy the violations, the institution shall update its website to provide the current/updated school catalog pursuant to CEC § 94913 (a)(1).
8	CEC § 94913 (a)(2)	Violation Description: The institution failed to post on its website clear and conspicuous links to the school's 2023/2024 School Performance Fact Sheets for all programs offered by the school. Correction: The institution shall update its website to include a clear and conspicuous link to the school's 2023/2024 School Performance Fact Sheets for all programs offered by the school pursuant to CEC § 94913 (a)(2).
9	CEC § 94913 (a)(5)	Violation Description: The institution failed to post on its website clear and conspicuous links to the institution's most recent annual report submitted to the bureau. Correction: The institution shall update its website to include a clear and conspicuous link to the institution's most recent annual report pursuant to CEC § 94913 (a)(5).

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10	5 CCR § 71760	Violation Description: The institution failed to develop and maintain adequate procedures used by the institution to assure that it is maintained and operated in compliance with the Act and this Division. Correction: The institution shall update its policies and procedures to include the above-mentioned self-monitoring policy pursuant to 5 CCR § 71760.
11	5 CCR § 71730 (b)	Violation Description: The institution's policies and procedures failed to maintain the duties, responsibilities, and performance evaluation criteria for the Chief Academic Officer set forth in a personnel manual or other writing maintained by the institution. Correction: The institution shall update its policies and procedures to include the above-mentioned policy, pursuant to 5 CCR § 71730 (b).

Pursuant to 5 CCR section 75010(d), the Institution may do either of the following:

- (1) Within 30 days from the date of the inspection, sign and return the notice to comply, declaring under penalty of perjury that the violation was corrected and describing how compliance was achieved; or
- (2) Within 30 days from the date of the inspection, file with the Bureau a written notice of disagreement, specifying the minor violations described in the notice to comply with which the person approved to operate the institution disagrees, and appealing it by requesting an informal office conference. If a written notice of disagreement is not timely filed with the Bureau, the right to appeal is deemed to have been waived.

Pursuant to CEC section 94935(h), failure to comply with the notice to comply will result in the Bureau taking appropriate administrative enforcement action.

The Notice to Comply was given to the Institution's owner, person in control, chief academic officer, chief executive officer, chief operating officer, institution director, or any person delegated by any of the aforementioned persons to facilitate the inspection or accept such notice as set forth below.

Notice To Comply Given To Name & Title:	Sohrab Zardkoohi, CEO/Owner
Bureau Compliance Analyst Name:	Alec Taub
Bureau Compliance Analyst Signature:	<i>Alec Taub</i>

NOTICE TO COMPLY DECLARATION

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I declare under penalty of perjury that each violation identified in this Notice to Comply has been corrected and attached with this declaration is evidence to support the correction of each violation identified.

Signature

Date

Print Name and Title