The Bachelor of Science degree in Food Science and Technology provides knowledge and skills in the area of food safety, food chemistry and analysis, quality assurance, food preservation, sensory evaluation, and new product development. This degree aims to provide technical opportunities for students interested in a career in the food industry.

Why Choose Food Science and Technology at Cal State LA?

- Cal State LA is rated #1 in upward mobility
- Plenty of job opportunities with the food industry and government
- Attractive salaries with just a BS degree
- Various scholarship opportunities
- Preparing for graduate study by participation in research
- Small class sizes
- Mentorship by faculty

Employment Opportunities

- Food manufacturers
- Ingredient manufacturers
- Packaging manufacturers
- Government agencies
- Foodservice industry
- Food testing laboratories
- Research
- Academia
- Self-employed/consultant
Median Salary by Jobs

- Flavorist: $123,500
- Food Engineer: $108,500
- Packaging Scientist: $98,600
- Technical Sales Representative: $91,250
- Product Manager: $91,000
- Product Developer: $83,000
- Chemist: $82,000
- Sensory Evaluation Specialist: $76,000
- Research Chef: $75,000
- Food Scientist/Technologist: $71,820
- Microbiologist: $65,000

Median Salary by Degree

- Bachelors: $76,500
- Masters: $88,000
- Doctorate: $112,000
- MBA: $120,000
- Technologist: $75,000

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