Swiss Hotel Schools Ranked Among World's Best

Les Roches International School of Hotel Management and Glion Institute of Higher Education ranked among world's leading hospitality management schools for an international career.



The world's top hotel companies have again ranked several hospitality management schools of Switzerland as the best in the world. In a recent survey conducted by Taylor Nelson Sofres in the UK, 5-star hoteliers chose three Swiss schools among the top four hotel management schools worldwide: Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne, Glion Institute of Higher Education and Les Roches International School of Hotel Management. Also ranked among the top four was Cornell University (USA). These schools were ranked as the world's best for preparing students for an international career in hospitality management.

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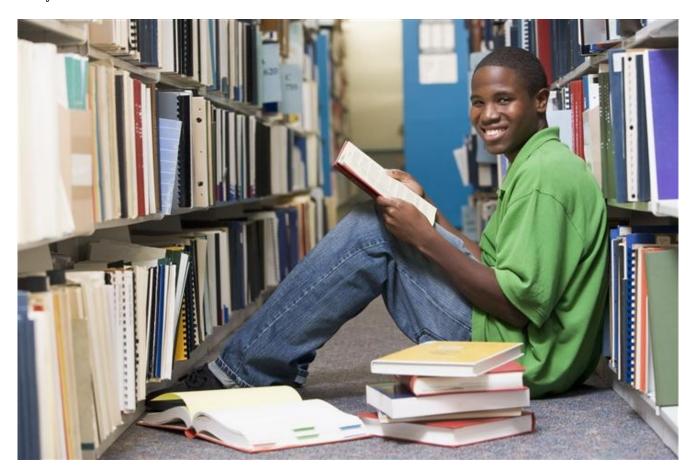
'Switzerland continues to lead the world in providing the highest-quality international hospitality management education', said David Graves, CEO Laureate Hospitality Art & Design Education. 'The results of this survey, like those of a similar survey in 2007, affirm that hiring managers at the very best hotels consider Swiss hospitality education to be the best in the world.'



'The goal of top international hospitality management schools is to prepare managers to compete successfully in a rapidly changing world', said Arie van der Spek, Senior Vice President of Laureate Hospitality Education worldwide. 'This survey confirms that the hospitality industry understands and appreciates the unique nature of the Swiss education model, which combines practical instruction with serious academic studies.'

'Our graduates deliver an outstanding level of performance after graduation and throughout their careers, as evidenced by the many Glion and Les Roches graduates occupying positions at the top of the world of hospitality ', continued Van der Spek. 'Because we work closely with leaders in

hospitality we understand their expectations for excellence and quality. In this way, we can prepare our graduates for a successful future in hospitality management, the world's fastest-growing industry.'



The survey was conducted in September and October 2010, and included invitations to more than 50,000 hoteliers in 70 countries. Laureate Hospitality Education, a division of Laureate Education Inc, commissioned TNS to conduct the survey utilizing "blind" objective techniques. The survey results are statistically reliable at a 95% confidence level. Similar results were obtained in a global industry survey conducted in 2007 by TNS.

Top 10 International Hospitality Management Schools in the World for an International Career

Based on frequency of school selection by hospitality industry hiring managers from 5-star hotels (sample size = 181 respondents)

Rank	Institution	Country
1	Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne	Switzerland
2*	Les Roches International School of Hotel Management, Bluche	Switzerland
2*	Glion Institute of Higher Education, Glion & Bulle	Switzerland
2*	Cornell University	USA
5	Hotelschool The Hague	Netherlands
6	Les Roches International School of Hotel Management, Marbella	Spain
7	Hotel School Vatel	France
8	Oxford Brookes University	United Kingdom
9	César Ritz Colleges, Le Bouveret, Brig	Switzerland
10	Ecole Hôtelière de Genève	Switzerland
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and Cornell University are tied for second position.