

Arizona Culinary Institute Website Privacy Policy

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1. Introduction

Arizona Culinary Institute ("ACI," "we," "us," or "our") respects your privacy and is committed to protecting the personal information you share with us through our website https://azculinary.edu ("Site"). This Privacy Policy explains how we collect, use, disclose, and protect your information when you visit our Site or interact with our online services. By using our Site, you agree to the terms of this Privacy Policy. If you do not agree, please discontinue use of our Site.

2. Information We Collect

We may collect the following categories of information:

- A. Personal Information You Provide
 - Name, address, phone number, and email address
 - Date of birth
 - Educational background and interests
 - Employment information (if applying for admission or a position)
 - Payment and billing information (for tuition or fees)
 - Any other information you voluntarily submit via forms, applications, or email correspondence
- B. Automatically Collected Information When you visit our Site, we may automatically collect:
 - IP address and browser type
 - Device information and operating system
 - Pages visited, time spent, and referring websites
 - Cookies and similar tracking technologies

3. How We Use Your Information

ACI uses collected information to:

- Process admissions inquiries and applications
- Provide requested services or information
- Communicate with you about enrollment, events, or updates
- Improve our website, marketing, and user experience
- Maintain compliance with federal and state educational and financial aid regulations (including FERPA, GLBA, and Title IV requirements)
- Prevent fraudulent activity and maintain site security

4. Sharing and Disclosure of Information

ACI does not sell personal information. We may share information only with:

- Educational partners or service providers assisting with admissions, financial aid, or career placement
- Vendors who provide technical or operational support (such as hosting, analytics, or payment processing)
- Government or regulatory agencies as required by law or accreditation standards (e.g., ACCSC, U.S. Department of Education, Veterans Administration)
- Law enforcement or legal authorities when necessary to comply with applicable laws or protect our rights and community

All third parties are required to maintain the confidentiality and security of your information.

5. Data Retention and Security

We retain personal information for as long as necessary to fulfill the purpose for which it was collected or as required by law. ACI maintains administrative, technical, and physical safeguards—including multi-factor authentication, encrypted storage, and endpoint protection—to protect your information against unauthorized access, disclosure, alteration, or destruction in accordance with our Information Security Program under 16 C.F.R. 314.

6. Cookies and Tracking Technologies

ACI uses cookies and similar technologies to:

- Improve website performance and user experience
- Track analytics (such as Google Analytics)
- Deliver personalized marketing or advertising

You can disable cookies through your browser settings; however, some features of the Site may not function properly without them.

7. Student Records (FERPA Compliance)

If you are a student or applicant, ACI maintains your educational records in compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). You have the right to access, review, and request correction of your educational records. Requests should be submitted in writing to the Registrar's Office.

8. Children's Privacy

Our Site is not directed to children under the age of 13, and we do not knowingly collect personal information from them. If we become aware that a child has provided us with personal data, we will delete it promptly.

9. Links to Other Websites

Our Site may contain links to third-party websites (e.g., partner institutions, social media, vendors). ACI is not responsible for the privacy practices or content of those sites.

10. Your Rights and Choices

Depending on your location, you may have the right to:

- Access or correct your personal information
- Request deletion of your data (subject to retention laws)
- Opt-out of marketing communications

To exercise these rights, please contact us as provided below.

11. Updates to This Policy

ACI may update this Privacy Policy periodically to reflect changes in technology, laws, or institutional practices. Updated versions will be posted on this page with a revised effective date.

12. Contact Us

If you have questions about this Privacy Policy or how your information is handled, please contact:

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