

Greetings from the Concordia Language Villages Bakery

My name is François Fouquerel, I am a baker at the Concordia Language Villages in Bemidji MN.

You may have heard of the Concordia Language Villages as a language and culture immersion summer camp. We teach 15 different languages and their cultures. Our understanding of being immerse in a language and its cultures means eating authentic foods from those cultures. Every summer we hire a number of cooks and bakers to prepare meals from around the world. Our cooks and bakers participate in an orientation and then join a kitchen crew in most cases for four weeks.

I am wondering if you have students in your baking classes who would be interested in a summer job in one of our villages. Each village is little different:

In the German village, we bake goods from Austria, Germany and Switzerland. Linzer tart cookies, brotchen buns, Sachertorte, Swissbread, Black Forest.

In the Swedish village we bake a variety of rye breads, Swedish dream cookies, prinsesstata for the final banquet

In the Norwegian village we bake bollers, grov bread, Frystekake

In the Spanish village we bake Cocadas, Cuban bread, Mexican bolillos, tres leche cakes.

In the French Village we bake croissants, baguettes, madeleine, gazelle horns

In the Arabic Village we bake pitas some with anis others with caraway, some plain, some whole wheat

In the Russian village we bake lots of dark bread some 100% rye, Napoleon cake, morning filled buns

In the Portuguese village it is chocolate cake for breakfast

To name a few.

Throughout the summer, our bakers get to practice common baked goods from around the world and to learn from native speakers from the program staff.

You can learn more about the Language Villages on our web site:

<http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org/>

You can find information about opportunities on our culinary arts team

at: <http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org/work-at-the-villages/culinary-arts-careers>

I would be glad to answer any questions you or your students might have.

Thank you for your time.

Best regards

François Fouquerel