

**NORTHWEST
WINE ACADEMY**
SOUTH SEATTLE COLLEGE



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**The Northwest Wine Academy Brings the
French Wine Scholar Study & Certification Program
to Seattle, Washington**

Become a French Wine Scholar!

The French Wine Scholar Study and Certification program provides current, accurate and in-depth information on the wines and wine regions of France.

Developed and administrated by the Wine Scholar Guild with the support of the French Ministry of Agriculture, this specialization program is designed for advanced students of wine, whether professionals or serious wine hobbyists.

Students of wine who follow this in-depth curriculum and pass the exam will earn the French Wine Scholar title and FWS post-nominal.

Set yourself apart from your peers. Specialize in the wines of France!

Our next session is scheduled to start January 2nd, 2018 and will run on 11 consecutive Tuesday evenings:

Course Name: Advanced Wines of the World France/French Wine Scholar Certification

Course Number: WIN 233

Date: Fall Quarter 2018, January 2nd – March 23rd, Tuesdays; Exam date: April 23rd, 2018

Time: 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Location: South Seattle College

Instructed by: Tanya Morning Star Darling FWS, IWS

Registration: <https://mysouth.seattlecolleges.edu/classschedule.htm>

"The French Wine Scholar is a very serious wine program but fun and very enjoyable to follow. The teaching is superb and the quality of the material brilliant." Gerard Basset, MW, MS, Best Sommelier in the World 2010

"The French Wine Scholar Program is the industry's most comprehensive, in-depth course on the wines of France." Jay Youmans, Master of Wine

"The FWS is a great complement to the WSET Diploma and I would recommend other students to take it between the Level 3 and the Diploma.[...] The FWS gave the perfect structure to help me finish my WSET Diploma"

Gregory Crommen, WSET Diploma

"I feel that the Court of Master Sommeliers and Wine Scholar Guild work hand in hand. I am confident that with the preparation on French theory with FWS it will prepare me for the Court of Masters level 3 and 4"

Matt Coleman, General Manager & Sommelier at Crossings Restaurant in South Pasadena.

"There isn't a better French wine-focused text or body of knowledge available, in my opinion, with a complete coverage of French wine regions. Furthermore, the FWS program is complimentary to many other wine certification programs, such as the Society of Wine Educators CWE-level program and the WSET Diploma." **Valerie L. Caruso, DipWSET, CWE, FWS**

The Program Includes Everything You Need to Become Fully Versed in the World of French Wines

Our sessions will include 33 hours of classroom instruction with tutored tasting taught by approved instructor: **Tanya Morning Star Darling** plus:

- The 274-page full-color French Wine Scholar study manual
- 1-year access to the French Wine Scholar online study program for class prep and review
- Registration for the French Wine Scholar Exam

A total of over 66 different wines will be tasted over the course of the program.

Earn your French Wine Scholar title with Northwest Wine Academy!

Who is this program for?

The French Wine Scholar Program covers French wine law, grape varieties, viticulture, winemaking and all of the French wine regions. This core body of knowledge is important whether you sell wine, buy wine or teach about wine.

The FWS program allows wine professionals to set themselves apart from their peers by specializing in the wines of France.

It is a great resource and supplement for students of wine moving toward advanced general wine study programs such as WSET Diploma, Master of Wine program, Court of Master Sommeliers' Advanced Sommelier (and up) or Certified Wine Educator.

While not a pre-requisite, we recommend that students successfully complete at least the lower level course from one of these organizations before entering the FWS program.

Why Study French Wine?

- France vies with Italy as the #1 wine producing country in the world.
- The most popular commercially produced grape varieties (Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, Chenin Blanc, Pinot Gris, Merlot, Malbec, Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah) are all native to France!
- When it comes to wine culture, France is the historic benchmark!

More about the French Wine Scholar Program:

Program Providers: The program is exclusively taught by authorized program providers and approved instructors who have passed the exam with honors or highest honors.

Certification Exam: The French Wine Scholar (FWS) credential will be conferred to those individuals who achieve a score of 75 or higher on a 100-question multiple-choice test. Candidates scoring 85-90 pass with Honors. Candidates scoring 91-100 pass with Highest Honors.

Online Study Program: To complement the manual and classroom experience, there are multimedia E-learning modules with full audio narration for each region, plus a comprehensive series of webinars on regional wine styles with suggested wine list, review quizzes for self-evaluation, instructor Q&A forum for personal assistance and downloadable maps.

Detailed Curriculum: The French Wine Scholar program presents each French wine region as an integrated whole by explaining the impact of history, the significance of geological events, the importance of topographical markers and the influence of climatic factors on the wine the glass. No topic is discussed in isolation in order to give students a working knowledge of the material at hand.