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PRESS RELEASE

### **Tenth Annual Comté Scholarship for ACS *Certified Cheese Professionals*™**

The Comté Cheese Association is thrilled to announce its tenth annual Comté Scholarship for American Cheese Society *Certified Cheese Professionals*™ (ACS CCTMs)! This special scholarship opportunity is open to all cheese experts who have passed the Certified Cheese Professional™ Exam. It gives CCTMs the chance to win an all-expenses-paid trip to the Comté region of France to learn first-hand about the cheese's history and production, as well as to explore the Comté region and its culture. In addition, this year the winner will receive a \$750 cash stipend, that can be put toward ACS test taking fees and expenses.

To apply for the scholarship, ACS CCTMs must submit an **entry form** with a short essay by **Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022**. Click to here, <https://media.comte-usa.com/essays/Comte-Scholarship-for-CCTMs-Application-2022.docx> to download the entry form. This year's essay question revolves around customers' perceptions of Comté and the cheesemonger's most memorable interaction with a customer related to Comté cheese.

As a long-standing member of the American Cheese Society (ACS), the Comté Cheese Association (CIGC) recently established a separate fund to sponsor applicants who have been accepted to take the *Certified Cheese Professional*® (CCTM) exam and seek to attend the American Cheese Society's annual conference. The CIGC values their relationship with the ACS and supports their efforts to advance education in the U.S. Applications and information are available at [comte-usa.com](http://comte-usa.com).

*The Comté Cheese Association (CIGC) represents all those who are involved in the production of Comté—dairy farmers, cheese-makers, affineurs—and carries out activities in all fields of interest to the trade, including research and technical issues, economics, information and communications, marketing, law and promotion of the Comté appellation, defense of local traditions and protection of the environment.*

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