

MICHAEL GIBSON, CSW

**Certified Specialist of Wine / Certified Sommelier
Wine & Spirits Educator**

- Michael has taught thousands of students as the Lead Wine and Spirits Instructor for Scottsdale Culinary Institute's Le Cordon Bleu program since 2003, and spent the last two years developing their curriculum for beverage studies.
- He is both a *Certified Specialist of Wine* with the Society of Wine Educators and a *Certified Sommelier* with the International Court of Master Sommeliers.
- Michael worked as a professional Brewmaster for three years after graduating with Honors from the prestigious American Brewer's Guild *Professional Brewing and Fermentation Science* program.
- Michael teamed up with America's first Master Sommelier, Eddie Osterland, MS, and delivered a seminar titled "Wine & Your Bottom Line" at the 2006 Food Marketing Institute trade show in Chicago. The seminar addressed wine in the retail sector, the changing environment for the wine industry, new customers, and current industry trends in the United States.
- With over fifteen years of Food and Beverage Industry experience, and nine years of management experience; Michael has held the position of Beverage Manager for a large private events venue, restaurant general manager, and bar manager – a solid track record of working with and selling wines, beers and spirits.