

University Dining Services

Residents of the eight traditional residence halls Bailey, Centennial, Comstock, Frontier, Middlebrook, Pioneer, Sanford and Territorial can choose between the residence hall meal plan options. The residential dining experience is an integral part of residential life. The on campus residential restaurants help establish a sense of community in the residence halls. Residential students are assured of the availability of nutritious meals in support of a healthy lifestyle. Adequate cooking facilities for individual meal preparation in the eight traditional residence halls are not provided; cooking is permitted only in University apartment kitchens and in residence hall kitchenette areas. Due to fire safety for all residents, no cooking is permitted in residence hall rooms.

Residents may choose from 19 meals/week plan, 14 meals/week plan, 10 meals/week plan, 150 meals/semester or 115 meals/semester. Each meal plan includes different amounts of FlexDine dollars. Be sure to indicate your selection on the application contract form or on the Meal Plan screen of the online application. If it is left blank, the 14 meals/week meal plan w/ \$100 FlexDine will be assumed.

2008-2009 Meal Plans and Rates for students in the eight traditional residence halls

19 Meals/Week Plan

Up to 19 All-You-Care-To-Eat meals per week in the Residential Restaurants, \$100 in FlexDine Dollars, 10 Guest Meal Passes **\$1,585/semester**

19 Meals/Week Enhanced Plan

Up to 19 All-You-Care-To-Eat meals per week in the Residential Restaurants, \$165 in FlexDine Dollars, 10 Guest Meal Passes **\$1,635/semester**

14 Meals/Week Plan

Up to 14 All-You-Care-To-Eat meals per week in the Residential Restaurants, \$100 in FlexDine Dollars, 10 Guest Meal Passes **\$1,493/semester**

14 Meals/Week Enhanced Plan

Up to 14 All-You-Care-To-Eat meals per week in the

Residential Restaurants, \$220 in FlexDine Dollars, 10 Guest Meal Passes **\$1,593/semester**

10 Meals/Week Plan

Up to 10 All-You-Care-To-Eat meals per week in the Residential Restaurants, \$50 in FlexDine Dollars, 10 Guest Meal Passes **\$1,419/semester**

10 Meals/Week Enhanced Plan

Up to 10 All-You-Care-To-Eat meals per week in the Residential Restaurants, \$250 in FlexDine Dollars, 10 Guest Meal Passes **\$1,619/semester**

150 Meals/Semester Plan

150 All-You-Care-To-Eat meals per semester in the Residential Restaurants, \$100 in FlexDine Dollars, 10 Guest Meal Passes **\$1,445/semester**

150 Meals/Semester Enhanced Plan

150 All-You-Care-To-Eat meals per semester in the Residential Restaurants, \$275 in FlexDine Dollars, 10 Guest Meal Passes **\$1,595/semester**

115 Meals/Semester Plan

115 All-You-Care-To-Eat meals per semester in the Residential Restaurants, \$400 in FlexDine Dollars, 10 Guest Meal Passes **\$1,573/semester**

2008-2009 Meal Plans for students in on-campus apartments and living off campus

Off campus students and students living in on campus apartments Yudof Hall, Wilkins Hall and University Village may choose from the above plans and in addition, the 25 Meals/Semester Plan, 5 Meals/Week Plan, and FlexDine only plan.

5 Meals/Week Plan

Up to 5 All-You-Care-To-Eat meals per week in the Residential Restaurants, \$50 in FlexDine Dollars **\$616/semester**

25 Meals/Semester Plan

25 All-You-Care-To-Eat meals per semester in the Residential Restaurants, \$50 in FlexDine Dollars **\$275/semester**

Important Meal Plan Dates*

FALL SEMESTER

First Meal -

Saturday, Sept 5, 2009 **Brunch**

Last Meal -

Wednesday, December 23, 2009 **Lunch, Grab and Go service for dinner**

Thanksgiving Break

Last Meal Before:

Wednesday, November 25, 2009 **Lunch Grab and Go service for dinner**

First Meal After:

Sunday, November 29, 2009 **Brunch**

SPRING SEMESTER

First Meal -

Saturday, January 16, 2010 **Brunch**

Last Meal -

Saturday, May 15, 2010 **Lunch Grab and Go service for dinner**

Spring Break

Last Meal Before:

Friday, March 12, 2010

Grab and Go service for dinner

First Meal After:

Sunday, March 21, 2010 **Brunch**

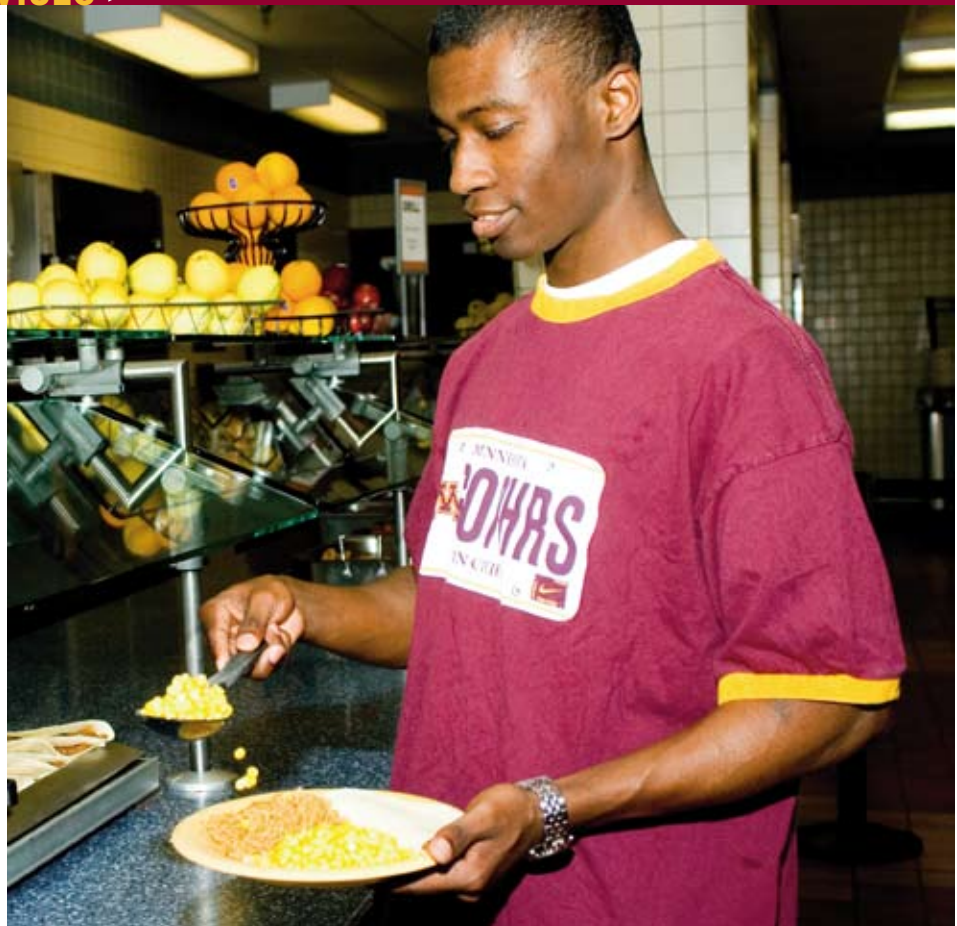
*Meal Plan dates are subject to change. All facilities may not be open on all scheduled dates and some meals may be served on a pre-ordered basis. To find out more about residential dining, visit our Web page at www.umn.edu/dining.

All students living in the eight traditional residence halls (Bailey, Centennial, Comstock, Frontier, Middlebrook, Pioneer, Sanford, Territorial) must select one of the following meal plans: 19 meals/week plan, 19 meals/week enhanced, 14 meals/week plan, 14 meals/week enhanced plan, 10 meals/week plan, 10 meals/week enhanced plan, 150 meals/semester, 150 meals/semester enhanced plan or 115 meals/semester. There are no exceptions. Please consider this before signing your contract.

All students assigned to an on-campus University Apartment (Yudof Hall, Wilkins Hall, University Village) will automatically have their meal plan preference removed when they are assigned. If you still wish to purchase a meal plan, please contact the UDS Meal Plan office at (612) 624-0558 or www.univofminnesota.campusdish.com.

FlexDine

FlexDine offers cashless dining in UDS retail operations and at C3 Markets and can also be used to purchase guest meals in the residential restaurants. FlexDine is available as part of all meal plans to offer residential students more flexibility in using their meal plan dollars. FlexDine can also be purchased separately and added to any other meal plan offered.



All FlexDine Plan

Buy FlexDine only, or add to any of the above meal plan packages. Purchases in increments of \$25.

**Above meal plans and rates are for the 2008-2009 academic year and may change prior to fall 2009.*

Meal Plan Rates for 2009 - 2010

Meal plan rates for 2009-2010 had not been finalized at press time. The tentative meal plan rates will be included with the room rate schedule during spring semester. Should prices change, and/or the meal plan options change prior to fall 2009, anyone who has applied for University Housing space without knowing the rate structure will be allowed to cancel an application contract with a full refund of the advance payment up to and including May 1, 2009.

Meal plan rates are based on the overall costs of operating the residential dining facilities. These costs include food, labor, facility and equipment maintenance, commissions, utilities, debt services and other direct and indirect costs. All residents help support the dining operations through meal plans. Meal plans purchased by on-campus apartment residents or off campus students help

offset some expenses but do not support the overall costs of operating the residential dining facilities.

Meal plan rates may be adjusted annually to reflect inflationary costs and enhancements to services. Rates are also based on historical data on how many meals the average meal plan holder eats. A participation rate or "missed meal" factor is included in the rate calculation. Therefore, unused meals are not available for refund, nor are they available to be used by other people than the meal plan holder. The most economical choice for you will be the plan that you use to near its maximum, not a plan that seems to have a less expensive per meal cost.

Weekly meal plan packages provide consistency with a set number of meals per week. Each time you eat in a residential restaurant, one meal is subtracted from your weekly meal allowance. Meals are reset on Monday mornings before the breakfast meal.

Semester meal plan packages offer greater flexibility with a set number of meals per semester. Meals can be used in any order throughout the semester.

Guest meals are included with the meal plans and may be used to invite visiting friends and family to dine in residential restaurants.

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University Dining Services also operates retail facilities on campus with a wide variety of options available. Meal plan holders can use FlexDine dollars at retail locations to purchase snacks, beverages or full meals. Retail locations include Starbucks, Java City, Panda Express, Einstein Bros Bagels, Subway, Bleecker St., Greens To Go and more.

Menus and Services

University Dining Services has six residential restaurants and offers convenient and flexible meal plans perfect for students. Meals in the residence hall restaurants are served on an all-you-care-to-eat basis. Meals are planned, prepared and served under the direction of experienced food service managers, with student input.

Meals are freshly prepared on site and an abundant variety of fresh foods are offered throughout the day and evening. University Dining Services offers a changing menu including comfort foods, grilled sandwiches, pizza, vegetarian and vegan selections. Exhibition-style service, carved meats, full and self service deli bars and expansive salad bars round out dining options in residential facilities.

Each residential restaurant has operating hours based on the needs of their particular community and is generally open from 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. weekdays. Extended dinner service is also available on campus for students at Centennial Restaurant, which is open until 12:00 a.m. Sunday through Thursday. Visit www.umn.edu/dining for a full list of UDS hours of operation.

Eating on the Run

Residential restaurants are open for expansive service hours throughout the week. Students can use their meal plan in any of the 6 residential restaurants on campus. All meal plans include FlexDine dollars which can be used at UDS' 30+ retail restaurants on campus. UDS also offers Grab & Go meals available for pickup at residential restaurants on campus. For more information, please visit www.umn.edu/dining and click on the "online ordering" tab. Since meals in the residential facilities are prepared on an all-you-care-to-eat basis, carryout service from these sites is not available.

C3 Markets

Centennial, Middlebrook and Sanford Halls have C3 Market convenience stores. These stores offer frozen entrees, bread, milk and dairy products as well as snack items, beverages and personal care products. C3 Markets accept cash, credit cards, FlexDine dollars and Gopher Gold.

Changing Your Meal Plan

Meal plans may be changed at beginning of fall semester during the first two weeks of classes via the web: www.housing.umn.edu/. Changes go into effect within three business days. Students can also change their meal plan selection for the spring semester in November.

Special Dietary Needs

University Dining Services has a Health & Wellness Coordinator on staff to assist you with dietary questions. If you follow a special diet, whether by choice or medical necessity, you may want to discuss this matter with the Health & Wellness Coordinator to explore food options available to you and assist you in getting the nutritional support you need. Visit www.umn.edu/dining for information on UDS' Health & Wellness Coordinator. You will not be granted a release from your contract nor will you be released from the meal plan requirement for dietary reasons.



Nutritional information is available via www.umn.edu/dining

