FOOD SYSTEMS

OVERVIEW

Food Systems is an exciting and flourishing domain of inquiry, one that looks at the complex and interdependent relationships between humans and their food - everything from microbes found in compost facilities to global trade agreements.

Always keeping in mind that food systems are evolving and dynamic, our curriculum integrates social science, humanities and natural science approaches to understanding connections among vital interests of humanity in creating nourishment, pursuing health and well-being and sustaining the environment.

Students examine the breadth and complexity of key issues in our contemporary food system:

- Collaborate with community partners to work on food systems problems and solutions
- Engage in hands-on, skill-based education from farm (field work) to plate (kitchen work and food behavior) in field and laboratory settings
- Develop mixed-method, transdisciplinary research projects

DEGREES

- Food Systems AMP
- Food Systems M.S.

FACULTY

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Courses

FS 335. Qualitative Research Methods. 3 Credits.
This course provides an overview of qualitative research methods and an opportunity to apply such research methods for topics focusing on food systems and health.

FS 340. Food Systems, Science & Policy. 3 Credits.
This course examines key questions being asked about our contemporary food system by examining natural and life sciences scholarship and the applications for public policy.

FS 345. Food Systems, Society & Policy. 3 Credits.
This course examines key questions being asked about our contemporary food systems by examining social science and humanities scholarship and the applications for public policy.

FS 350. Food Systems Immersion. 3 Credits.
This problem-based course uses current issues in Vermont’s food system to explore systems complexity, emergence and interdependence. Pre/co-requisites: FS 340, FS 345.

FS 391. Master’s Thesis Research. 1-18 Credits.
See Schedule of Courses for specific titles.

FS 395. Special Topics. 0-18 Credits.
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