



Campus Dining

2025-2026

Let's Eat!

College students face demanding schedules every day. Where and what to eat should be easy and delicious — and that's where we come in.

We're VCUDine, the award-winning dining program at Virginia Commonwealth University. Our mission is to provide fresh, quality food that is convenient to everyone on campus. That's why our 20+ dining locations are spread across every corner of VCU's two campuses, offering students everything from a traditional dining hall to grab-and-go retail locations.

Join us throughout the year for special events and themed meals that showcase the culinary talents of our dedicated team, such as Food Truck Fest and Midnight Breakfast.

Please reach out via the contact information below with any questions or concerns.

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Here's how it works

There are three ways to dine with us on campus:

1 *Swipes*

Enjoy all-you-care-to-eat meals at Shafer's Market 810 or use Swipes for premium options and special events like Food Truck Fest.

2 *BYO Swipe*

Create an à la carte meal with Build Your Own (BYO) Swipe. Swipe for groceries or meals at any of our retail locations for up to \$10.15.

3 *Dining Dollars*

Use Dining Dollars like a reloadable debit card at all VCUDine locations, including vending machines, for anything from an extra side to a meal or groceries.

RamBucks is managed through [VCUCard](#).
Contact VCUCard at: (804) 827-2273.



Events



At VCUdine, we create events that bring everyone to the table. From **Ramsgiving**, a communal Thanksgiving meal that gives back to the community, to **Dining Around the World**, a collaborative celebration of global cuisine, there's always something fresh and exciting.

By teaming up with **student groups, campus partners** and **local vendors**, we showcase diverse flavors, celebrate local favorites and deliver unique experiences that connect our community. Every event is a chance to eat, explore and enjoy something unforgettable.



Food Truck Fest brings the best of Richmond's food scene onto campus. Each semester, local food trucks gather to serve up a variety of cuisines, from kettle corn to street tacos. Exclusive to dining plan holders, it's a perk that makes your plan all the more rewarding.




Kick off the night with one of VCU's favorite traditions: **Midnight Breakfast!** This late-night celebration brings students together to enjoy breakfast classics and hit the dance floor. Whether you're coming for pancakes or just need a break, it's a great way to refuel, recharge and reconnect.



Dining Plan Options

Find Your Fit!



SWIPES + DINING DOLLARS PER SEMESTER		MEALS/ WEEK [†]	AUTO RENEWAL IN THE SPRING? [°]	PRICE PER SEMESTER
330 + \$225		21+	Yes	\$3,925
250 + \$225		15.2	Yes	\$3,475
200 + \$225*		12.1	Yes	\$3,155
150 + \$100		9.1	Optional	\$2,320
100 + \$100		6.1	Optional	\$1,590
50 + \$100		3.0	Optional	\$930
25 + \$100		1.5	Optional	\$520
5 + \$150		.03	Optional	\$240



Required Plans for Students in: Brandt, Rhoads, GRC, GRCIII and Honors College

*Default plan and most popular plan [†]Average meals for the plan will vary based on a student's plan usage; Dining Dollars supplement meals [°]Automatic spring plan renewal is optional for those not residing in required plan residence halls. Some plans also have Guest Meals, visit vcu.campusdish.com for details.

FAQs

Q: Do Dining Dollars roll over?

A: If you enroll in a spring dining plan, the fall Dining Dollar balance will roll over to the spring dining plan. However, Dining Dollars don't carry over from spring to fall.

Q: What happens if I don't use all my Swipes?

A: Swipes do not carry over to the next semester, so any unused Swipes will expire at the end of the semester.

Q: What plan is best for me?

A: Whether you live on campus or commute, we offer a plan for everyone. If you run out of Swipes or Dining Dollars, you can easily add another dining plan or Dining Dollars.

- **Dining daily on campus?** The **330 Swipes + 225 Dining Dollars** plan has you covered for all your meals and snacks.
- **Occasional cook?** The **150 Swipes + 100 Dining Dollars** plan offers a great balance.
- **Commuter?** The **100 Swipes + 100 Dining Dollars** plan is perfect for grabbing a bite between classes.

Q: How do I choose a dining plan?

A: Once enrolled at VCU and registered for classes, go to the "Dining Plans" tab at vcu.campusdish.com to choose the plan that works best for you.

Staying Healthy

Inclusive Menu Options

We celebrate inclusivity with culturally rich menus while accommodating a wide range of dietary needs, from plant-forward options to halal-certified meals. Our True Balance station in Shafer's Market 810 serves meals made without gluten and the top nine food allergens, offering a safe and satisfying dining experience.*

If you need extra guidance, our **registered dietitian** is here to help with free consultations and meal-planning support. No matter your needs or tastes, we are committed to providing delicious and nutritious meals tailored for you.

VCUDine Registered Dietitian
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On-Campus Convenience

Located in the center of campus, Ram City Market is VCU's go-to grocery store. It features fresh produce, local goods and ready-to-eat meals at student-friendly prices. Open late, it accepts Swipes, Dining Dollars, RamBucks, cash, cards and SNAP.

Students can also use Grubhub to order ahead of time, skip the line and pick up their favorite foods to-go.



*All menus, nutritional information and calorie count for all dining locations can be found at vcu.campusdish.com. We cannot guarantee any food item will be completely free of allergens. Contact a food service manager, chef or dietitian for questions.



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Cash and major credit cards are accepted at all VCU Dining locations.
For more information and to view the VCU Dining Services Contract or the
Terms and Conditions, visit vcu.campusdish.com