



# Master of Science in Food Systems & Society



## PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- Investigate concepts and processes of social justice.
- Assess and analyze social problems relevant to social justice.
- Apply critical inquiry, communication, and collaboration skills to address social problems.

## CAREER PATHS

The M.S. in Food Systems & Society serves as a foundation to enhance your current career or to pursue new opportunities in this rapidly growing field. FSS students and graduates work in government, nonprofit organizations, education, food writing, community development, healthcare, and food enterprises. See the current students and alumni page on the FSS website.

The Food Systems and Society M.S. program focuses on the societal factors that enable and constrain the development of equitable food systems. It is a collaborative, cohort-based, online program that enables students to maintain personal and professional lives while engaging with peers in diverse sectors and locations. Two-year and part-time degree completion options are available.

## CURRICULUM

### FOUNDATION COURSES

Courses examine concepts, perspectives, and strategies relevant to social justice and social change in the food system, integrating lived experience and academic scholarship. Foundation courses include (see the full curriculum online):

- Food System Concepts
- Food Policy and Politics
- Food in Culture
- Food Systems Inquiry
- Food Systems Theory
- Social Movements
- Economic Justice
- Scholarship and Social Change

### FOOD SYSTEMS RESEARCH

Through a capstone course series, students complete a Capstone Research Synthesis, conducting text-based research on a topic that is of particular interest to them, relevant to their professional goals, and focused on social justice and social change in the food system.

### PROGRAM FACULTY

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