

Great Plains Institute of Food Safety

Department Information

- www.ag.ndsu.edu/foodsafety

Undergraduate Programs of Study

- Food Safety (major, minor)

Graduate Programs of Study

- Food Safety (M.S., Ph.D.)
- Food Protection (certificate)

Degrees Offered

- Bachelor of Science (B.S.)
- Master of Science (M.S.)
- Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)

Department Description

An interdisciplinary team of faculty with expertise in food safety from various departments within NDSU's Colleges of: Agriculture, Food Systems, and Natural Resources (<http://www.ag.ndsu.edu/academics>); Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences (<https://www.ndsu.edu/ahss>); Human Development and Education (<https://www.ndsu.edu/hde>); Engineering (<https://www.ndsu.edu/coe>); and Science and Mathematics (<https://www.ndsu.edu/scimath>) has formed the Great Plains Institute of Food Safety and developed a unique educational experience for NDSU students. All programs are unified around the single issue of food safety, an area of concern for many Americans, the current target of tremendous interest, effort, and spending worldwide, and an area in which shortages of expertise are manifest. Students in food safety are heavily recruited for employment in the food safety fields.

The curriculum is based on contemporary educational theory and employs experiential learning techniques to foster development of students' critical-thinking abilities, collaborative and problem-solving skills, and awareness of employment opportunities. Courses are fully integrated so that students have the opportunity to troubleshoot food-safety issues from "farm-to-fork." The program strives to meet students' present and future educational needs.

Food Safety Major

A number of undergraduate and graduate programs of study in food safety are offered through the Great Plains Institute for Food Safety. Food safety is an area of concern for many Americans, the current target of tremendous interest, effort, and spending worldwide and an area in which shortages of expertise are manifest.

Food Safety Minor

Students may minor in Food Safety by completing a total of 16 credits. A minimum of eight credits must be taken at NDSU.