WHAT TO EAT ON CAMPUS AND IN THE CITY

We will provide free breakfast, lunch, and afternoon refreshments to all registered GSOLT conference attendees. In doing so, we will try our best to accommodate as many tastes and dietary needs as we can. However, if what we provide does not work for you, or you will be in the area for additional meals, there are many convenient food options.

On campus

The 2020 GSOLT conference will take place in the Howard Gittis Student Center, which contains a recently-renovated food with several food stalls. Below is a link with more information:

https://studentcenter.temple.edu/food-court-catering

Within a five-minute walk of the Student Center, you will also find several other chain restaurants, including Chipotle, Blaze Pizza, Honeygrow, Potbelly, and Subway, as well as the local coffee chain, Saxby's. All of these are within a five-minute walk of the conference venue.

However, this is just the tip of the iceberg. For a truly Temple experience, you might want to try the food trucks that line the streets and sidewalks of campus. Their food ranges from the generic to the innovative, and prices are normally quite reasonable.

Here is a list of some of the most popular:

https://www.collegemagazine.com/10-food-trucks-to-hit-up-at-temple-university/

And here is the University's official food truck map:

https://www.temple.edu/life-at-temple/temple-food-trucks

In the city (away from campus)

As shown in the articles linked below, Philly regularly receives accolades for its food scene, which goes far beyond cheesesteaks, roast pork, and soft pretzels (though we definitely recommend trying these--and getting your cheesesteak with sharp provolone, onions, and sweet peppers):

https://www.washingtonpost.com/sf/style/2015/12/21/the-10-best-food-cities-in-america-ranked/?utm_term=.d3ea3f14664b

https://www.farandwide.com/s/best-foodie-cities-usa-4e6c11276e6c4b18

You can find virtually any cuisine in Philly, and the prices tend to be quite reasonable in comparison to other large northeastern cities. If you don't have anything particular in mind, or simply want to get a feel for Philly's diverse food scene, we recommend having breakfast, lunch,

or an afternoon snack at the Reading Terminal Market, where you will find cuisine from across Philly, Pennsylvania, and the world. Luckily, the Reading Terminal is far at all from Temple's campus, and it is easily accessible by train, the Broad Street subway, Bus 23, or rideshare. (You can see the "Getting to the GSOLT Conference" section for more information on using Philly's public transportation system, SEPTA).

Here is a link to the Reading Terminal Market's website, where you will find complete information on the Market and its vendors:

https://readingterminalmarket.org/

Two other places to go for a very Philly food experience include Chinatown, located just outside the Reading Terminal Market, and the Italian Market, centered around 9th Street and Washington Avenue in South Philly. What's more, both offer a wide variety of food and drink at very reasonable prices.

While the names "Chinatown" and "Italian Market" reflect the origins of these Philly institutions, they do not reflect the current reality. In Chinatown, you will find various regional Chinese cuisines, as well as Vietnamese, Korean, Japanese, Thai, Malaysian, and other establishments. Likewise, in addition to longstanding Italian-American restaurants, bakeries, and specialty shops--including Villa di Roma, Termini Brothers, and Di Bruno Brothers--you will find more recently-opened Southeast Asian, Mexican, and Central American shops and eateries, among others, in the Italian Market.

Here is *Philadelphia Magazine's* guide to the best eating and shopping in the Italian Market: https://www.phillymag.com/foobooz/italian-market-9th-street-bella-vista-restaurant-philadelphia/

And here is their guide to eating in Chinatown: https://www.phillymag.com/foobooz/chinese-restaurant-philadelphia-chinatown/

While there are many options in the Reading Terminal, Chinatown, and the Italian Market, perhaps you are looking for a different cuisine or something a little fancier? If you are, Philly has you covered there, too! In this article from *Philadelphia Magazine*, you will find some great options to whet your appetite, and as you will see, they represent a variety of cuisines and price ranges:

https://www.phillymag.com/foobooz/50-best-restaurants/

Or maybe you are a fan of national and international fast casual restaurants and are looking for something similar yet different? If so, check out these Philly-based fast casual restaurants:

https://www.gsrmagazine.com/content/9-philly-fast-casuals-keep-your-radar

We know that having so many options can be overwhelming and that it can be hard to decide where to eat! Know that we're happy to help you decide and to recommend our personal favorites so that you may get the most out of this great food city!