Halal Fact Sheet

Halal dining is offered to students at Smith. The meal contains halal meat and is served in specific dining halls. Other meal components may not be considered halal. This fact sheet is designed to make halal dining practices transparent to Smith students to improve their ability to navigate dining offerings and make informed decisions around meals. Dining Services is continually working to improve its processes and welcomes your feedback.

Cutter/Ziskind
- During the academic year Cutter Ziskind only serves halal meat including beef, chicken, lamb, deli meats, and breakfast selections.
- The Cutter/Ziskind kitchen is not certified Halal by any third party at this time.
- Pork is never served in Cutter/Ziskind during the academic year.
- While the meat served in Cutter/Ziskind during the academic year is always halal, there may be other products that are not considered halal e.g. vinegars, marshmallows, and desserts.
- Halal meat is cooked and served in separate pans in Cutter/Ziskind and other designated dining halls during summer programming.

Comstock/Wilder
- Comstock/Wilder does cook with pork and alcohol, but the kitchen provides a Monday night Asian meal during the academic year, featuring Halal chicken that is not cooked with alcohol.

Campus Center Cafe
- Year round halal chicken and halal burgers are available at the Campus Center Cafe and can be cooked in a separate pan.
- If requested, a separate pan for cooking eggs or sandwiches can be used.

Religious Accommodations
- If you’re attending a catered event on campus, be sure to let the organizer know to request a halal (dietary) accommodation for the event.
- Please be aware that the catering kitchens also prepare foods with alcohol and pork.
- The Dining Services website and Center for Religious and Spiritual Life website have specifics for religious and dietary accommodations.
- During the Orientation period halal meat is available to groups whose coordinators submit dietary accommodation requests to Dining Services. Please be sure to ask your program coordinator to request this accommodation regardless of where you are assigned to dine. This helps with accurate counts and eliminates long wait times.

For more information or questions about food ingredients, please contact the chef on duty in the dining hall or Kim Alston, Muslim Student Adviser at kalston@smith.edu or 413-585-2753.