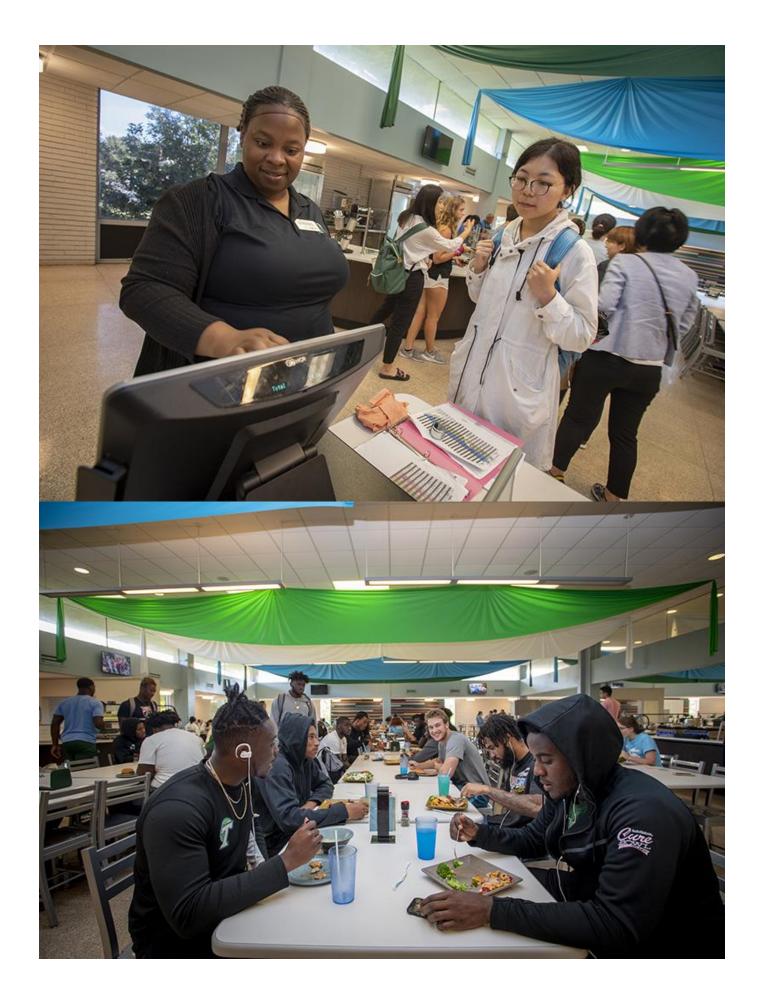
Students enjoy last meal at Bruff as The Commons opens

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Students enjoyed their last dinner served at the Bruff Commons Dining Room on Aug. 20, 2019. Bruff, built in the 1960s, will eventually be torn down and replaced with a residential quad. The Commons, a \$55 million, 77,000-square-foot facility that serves as a studying and meeting place for students, a dining facility, and the new home of the Newcomb Institute, opened Aug. 21.

Tulane President Mike Fitts will officially welcome the University community to The Commons at a fun-filled event at 6:15 p.m. on Aug. 26.











Students file into Bruff Commons for the last time. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano) Georzette Jones, left, rings up a customer. "Yes, I'm excited," she says regarding the move to The Commons. "It's beautiful and there will be a greater variety of foods." (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

The Green Wave football team shares their last meal at Bruff. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

After a long day at band camp, the Tulane University Marching Band gathers for dinner. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

Peggy Roush, right, a supervisor with Sodexo, tends to the salad bar while proudly wearing her Green Wave baseball cap, a gift from a Tulane basketball player. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

Tyjae Spears, a first-year running back from Ponchatoula, Louisiana, is all smiles as he heads to the dining room. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

Playing a dirge, Rachel Sloan, left, leads an impromptu second-line as band members play "St. James Infirmary" before exiting Bruff. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

Robert Wiggins, left, a kitchen supervisor, is in constant motion as he serves students broccoli, fish and the always popular mac and cheese. (Photo by Paula

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