Tulane among best colleges for food in America

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Scott Goodstal, residential dining executive chef, serves a line of hungry Tulane students in the newly renovated food court in the Lavin-Bernick Center on the uptown campus. (Photo by Ryan Rivet)

For the second year in a row, Tulane University Dining Services has been named to The Daily Meal's prestigious list of Best Colleges for Food in America. Tulane ranked No. 58 on the ranking of the top 80 colleges, based on accessibility, service, education, events and additional factors.

The judges noted Tulane Dining's commitment to freshness and the dozens of fun events that take place to highlight Tulane food offerings.

One Daily Meal judge said, "While students can venture off campus to eat if they want (the school's "NOLA Bucks" can be used to purchase food at more than 20 local restaurants), Tulane's 50 on-campus chefs and 25 dining locations provide everything they need, including meeting every kind of dietary restriction."

Another commented, "All items are made from scratch, their late-night City Diner (open daily from 5 p.m. to 7 a.m.) serves a famous 16-inch "Big City Pancake," and the school hosts several New Orleans staple theme nights such as Red Bean Mondays, Fried Chicken Wednesdays, and Gumbo Fridays — in addition to more than 100 other campus dining events each year."

"We are honored to be included in The Daily Meal's list again this year," said Tulane Dining's general manager Matthew Lysaker. "It serves as a nice reward for our past work and wonderful motivation as we begin the new academic year. We are excited about the food opportunities and new options offered to the Tulane dining community this year."

On Tuesday (Sept. 27) dinning services will host the "Big Splash" from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to showcase the newly renovated 8,000-square-foot food court at the Lavin Bernick Center. There will be free food samples, music and prizes and a first look at Tulane Athletics' newly reintroduced logo, The Angry Wave.

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