The St. Louis County Health Food Code applies to any Washington University faculty, staff or student planning to prepare food for sale on University properties.

PURPOSE: According to the St. Louis County Health Department food borne illness continues to be a major public health problem. Applying the basic principles of food protection can reduce the incidence of foodborne illnesses. It is important that food handlers – at home and in food service establishments – learn to handle and prepare food properly to prevent disease. The purpose of this code is to safeguard public health and provide to consumers food that is safe, unadulterated and honestly presented in accordance with St. Louis County Health codes.

GENERAL INFORMATION: The Food Code establishes definitions, sets standards for management and personnel, food operations, equipment and facilities; and provides for food establishment plan review, permit issuance, inspection, employee restrictions and permit suspension.

The food code can be found on the St. Louis County Health webpage at [http://www.stlouisco.com/doh/FoodCenter/foodcode.cfm](http://www.stlouisco.com/doh/FoodCenter/foodcode.cfm).

For questions or assistance please contact St. Louis County Health representative Kristi Franklin at (314) 615-8900 Monday through Friday between 8AM & 5 PM.