

We all scream for ice cream, yogurt, cookies

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Students with a sweet tooth take heart: you won't miss Mom's chocolate chip cookies for long. Once you make your way to Franklin Street, you will find enough bakeries and frozen-dessert shops to keep you happy.

The frozen-dessert shops include Baskin-Robbins, Ben & Jerry's, Gelato D'Oro, Swensen's and The Yo-

gurt Pump. The bakeries are Bruegger's Bagel Bakery and The Columbia Street Bakery and Coffeehouse. Holey Donuts is the only donut shop near campus. All of these businesses are on Franklin Street, except Columbia Street Bakery and Coffeehouse.

Baskin-Robbins on any given day has at least 40 flavors of ice cream. It serves by cup or cone, as you please, with no distinction in price — a single

scoop either way is \$1.14. A waffle cone, however, is 30 cents more. Baskin-Robbins also has pre-packed ice cream by the quart, ice-cream sandwiches, pies and cakes.

Ben and Jerry's has 33 flavors of 100-percent-natural ice cream made in Vermont. A single scoop in a cone or a cup is \$1.34. Sugar cones are available and waffle cones are 50 cents extra. Three ices are served daily. A variety of toppings, averaging 40 cents each, add a touch of flavor to the ice cream. Ben and Jerry's specialties include ice cream cakes, sandwiches, cookies, floats, shakes and freshly squeezed lemonade and limeade. The "Vermonster," packed with 20 scoops of ice cream, serves

6-12 people at \$21.95. If ice cream isn't enough, a glance around the store shows bandanas, hats, puzzles and shirts all with the Ben and Jerry's logo for sale.

Gelato D'Oro has about 20 flavors of ice cream. It also serves by cup or cone, but while a single scoop in a cup is \$1.15, a single scoop in a homemade waffle cone is \$1.50. Gelato D'Oro also has seven flavors of frozen yogurt and three flavors of ices, in addition to espresso and iced cappuccino.

Swensen's always has at least 40 flavors of ice cream, and they have the ingredients to make 175. Ice cream is served in cup or cone, same price either way, \$1.05 for a single scoop.

They now serve four flavors of frozen yogurt. Swensen's is also a restaurant, so you can sit down and be served.

The Yogurt Pump, an all-yogurt shop, has five flavors. They offer a chocolate flavor, fruit flavor and a vanilla flavor. They sell by cup or cone, about the same price either way, \$1 for a small cone, \$1.16 for a small cup. Every Tuesday at The Yogurt Pump is Trivia Tuesday — answer a question in the category of your choice and get free toppings.

Bruegger's Bagel Bakery has 10 flavors of bagels, including cinnamon-raisin, onion, oat bran, poppy and sesame seed. A single bagel is 35 cents and a dozen are \$3.50. Bruegger's has six flavors of cream cheese, including a rich walnut honey, and it occasionally features a special flavor like strawberry. It has five salad toppings: chicken, egg, hummus, seafood and tuna. It features two soups daily.

The Columbia Street Bakery and Coffeehouse has brownies, cookies, muffins and all-butter pastries. They will make custom cakes for birthdays and other occasions, along with six kinds of fresh bread daily. They also serve fresh cappuccino, espresso and other coffees. Individual items are anywhere from 25 cents to \$1.25, with bread at 99 cents for a baguette and up to around \$1.67 for a loaf. Cakes range from \$8 to \$15, depending on size. The Columbia Street Bakery also has sandwiches, salads, six kinds of juice, 14 varieties of natural soda and 15 flavors of tea. In the evening, Columbia Street features entertainment such as discussion, drama, music, poetry and storytelling.




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Also serving fine Mexican food are Papagayo's, in the NCNB Plaza across from campus, and Tijuana Fat's on Rosemary Street. The Flying Burrito on Airport Road serves fine, less expensive, Mexican fare.

The Golden Dragon and Four-Five-Six are practically next door to each other on Franklin and serve — you guessed it — Chinese food. Both serve cafeteria-style and nearly identical fare. The consensus is that Golden Dragon's food is tastier, but Four-Five-Six gives larger portions.

Pizza anyone?

Well, when you're in the mood, the Italian Pizzeria on West Franklin, Pepper's on East Franklin, Tony's in University Mall and Mariakakis Restaurant on U.S. 15-501 are all top-notch. Tony's and Italian Pizzeria both serve New York-style pizza, and Pepper's is renowned for its spicy sauce. Mariakakis also has Greek specialties, along with the tasty and garlicky Arabic bread, which is basically a pizza without the sauce. Not good to order on a date unless you share it, but definitely worth the mouthwash you'll need later.

Some of the local pizza delivery services include Domino's, Pizza Hut and Gumby's. Students have the luxury of charging Domino's pies to their meal cards (hear that, Mom and Dad?), but Gumby's is generally acknowledged to have the lowest pizza prices in town.

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