

# New food safety course developed to support on-campus bake sales



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## Course created to ensure safety protocols are followed by all participants.

As a University, we are keen to support bake sales on campus, whether run by staff or students. It is important however, that the basic food safety rules that apply to bake sales are known and adhered to by all participants. The University has a [Food Safety Policy](#) and the Students' Union has a similar policy that must be adhered to.

There have been a number incidents during recent months related to bake sales. The most serious was an individual suffering an anaphylactic reaction through contact with a food product containing, or contaminated with, an allergen.

Any person looking to organise an event which involves bringing food on to campus (for sale or exchange), must ensure that they read and understand the policies that are in place. To help with this, a [Food Safety course](#) has been developed to cover basic food safety, allergen awareness, prohibitions and other requirements. This is available on Blackboard.

To participate in a bake sale, it is imperative that you follow basic safety precautions, the following is a summary of requirements:

1. Ensure that whoever is involved in a bake sale has undertaken the Food Safety Course in Blackboard
2. Ensure you have a risk assessment in place for the event
3. No hot food
4. No cold products containing meat (e.g. meat samosa, sausage rolls)
5. Avoid selling foods that contain high risk allergens, for examples nuts
6. Always display, or have available a list of allergens for every product on sale
7. Adhere to good hygiene measure to avoid cross contamination and ensure food safety
8. Only display products that require chilling for a maximum of four hours

The organising department or School is responsible for ensuring the rules are adhered to.

If you have any queries regarding bakes sales and what must be in place, please contact your Health and Safety Business Partner.



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