

NATSA 25th Annual Conference May 16-18, 2019

University District Dining Recommendations

- [Sizzle & Crunch Vietnamese Grill](#) (6 mins walk/0.3 miles)
Named by the Seattle Times as one of the best lunch rice bowls in the city, Sizzle & Crunch is the U-district all-time favorite—popular yet always serves fast, hot and fresh food. Most dishes are around \$10 or cheaper. Try the rice bowl with the charred, caramelized pork, chicken, beef or tofu. Complete your bowls with fresh toppings and veggies. Pair it up with the sauteed scallions and fish sauce.
Tags: Vietnamese, casual food, good portion, vegetarian, less than \$10
- [Thai Tom](#) (12 mins/0.6 miles)
Lonely Planet introduced Thai Tom as “it feels like some backstreet Bangkok hole-in-the-wall. Yet, many hail its simple Thai food as the best in the city. An open-kitchen dining counter, and flames leaping up from beneath the constantly busy pans on the stoves.” Classic Thai dishes packed with flavors are freshly made right in front of you, and it might redefine your experience with “authentic” Thai street food.
Tags: Thai, cash only, Lonely Planet, quick bite, good portion, authentic, vegetarian, \$10-\$15
- [Agua Verde Cafe](#) (5 mins/0.2 miles)
Lonely Planet: “On the shores of Portage Bay at the southern base of University Ave, Agua Verde Café is a little gem that overlooks the bay and serves fat tacos full of lemony cod, catfish or portobello mushrooms, plus other Mexican favorites.”
Tags: Mexican, bay view, Lonely Planet, vegetarian, good portion, relaxed vibe, \$9-\$15
- [Portage Bay Cafe](#) (8 mins/0.4 miles)
Lonely Planet: “Hugely popular brunch spot and for good reason. Aside from the usual suspects (eggs, bacon, pancakes), there’s a help-yourself breakfast bar loaded with fresh fruit, cream, syrup, nuts and the like (all local, of course), waiting to be spread on your doorstep-thick slices of French toast. Arrive early or after 1pm on weekends to avoid the rush.”
Tags : Western cuisine, breakfast, brunch, Lonely Planet, \$10-\$15, nice vibe
- **Local Point: Lander Hall Student Food Court** (1 min walk)
Right across the street with diverse options! The Lander Hall food court features Seattle Weekly’s customer favorite, **Pagliacci Pizza**, as well as **Tero’s** healthy

whole grain bowls with veggies and lean protein. Also, **Dub Street Burgers**, **Deli**, **Big Kitchen** and **Global Kitchen** offer burgers, hot soups, salads, sandwiches, bowls and plates.

Tags: next door, ton of options, vegetarian, \$10-\$15, food court

Equally good U-district options for your taste buds, time to explore and try them out!

- [Chili's South Indian Cuisine](#) (8 mins/0.3 miles)
- [Korean Tofu House](#) (5 mins/0.2 miles)
- [MOD Pizza](#) (8 mins/0.3 miles)
- [BB's Teriyaki](#) (8 mins/0.3 miles)
- [Pho Than Brothers](#) (7 mins/0.3 miles)

University District Coffee and Beverage Spots

- [Cafe Allegro](#) (8 mins/0.3 miles)
Established in 1975, Seattle's first and oldest espresso bar and one of the country's finest Seattle-style coffee roasters. Cafe Allegro is notably the historic place of Dave Olsen's pre-Starbucks establishment.
- [Sharetea](#) (12 mins/0.5 miles)
The authentic bubble milk tea chain from Taiwan, a must try if you never had this classic beverage and one of Seattle's local favorites.