



EMPOWERING YOUNG LEADERS.

Food Systems Career Roundtables

When: September 28, 2026 | 5:30-6:30 p.m. CST

Where: Double Tree by Hilton O'Hare | 5460 North River Road | Rosemont, IL 60018

What: This session provides an opportunity for students to engage with professionals in the food systems industry. Through a series of roundtable discussions, students will explore various career paths, gaining valuable insights and advice from those with firsthand experience in the industry.

How: As an industry professional, you will participate in a roundtable discussion and share your career journey, insights, and advice with small groups of students. Each group will rotate every 12 minutes, giving you the chance to speak with multiple students during the session. The discussions are designed to be interactive, allowing students to ask questions and learn about the diverse opportunities in the field.

Why: The session's objective is to help students explore various career paths and gain insights from professionals like you, which will assist them in making informed career decisions. By sharing your experiences, you contribute to their understanding of what it takes to succeed in the food systems industry.

Your Role: As an industry professional, your role is to share your career path, offer advice, and answer questions, helping students explore diverse opportunities within the food systems industry. Your insights will guide them as they consider their future career options. You are also encouraged to bring items or tools related to your work that can engage students and provide a hands-on understanding of your day-to-day responsibilities.

Looking for professionals with these roles/sectors, but not limited to these:

- Economics
- Engineering
- Trade
- Education & Extension
- Food Quality/Safety Inspectors
- Food Scientists
- Policy
- Supply Chain: animal, crop production
- Restaurants

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