

Global Studies:  
History & Geography

Relationship between  
geography, climate &  
agriculture; how cultures are  
developed by sociopolitical and  
economic powers

Global Studies:  
Culture

Relationship between  
culture, core values, and  
food norms; how culture and  
values change over time

Science:  
Matter & Energy;  
Stability & Change

Cyclical vs. linear food system  
models; Inputs vs. outputs;  
Agriculture mimicking ecosystem  
dynamics; food chemistry; soil  
science; genetics and gene  
modification

## Proficiency

### Question:

How does when and where  
you were born impact what  
you eat?

### Product:

5-course meal  
experience  
comparing VT and  
Afghanistan



Islamic Society of VT,  
Colchester

Learn about the culinary traditions of  
different cultures from predominantly  
Muslim countries in the Middle East;  
connect with local restaurants

Center for an Agricultural Economy,  
Hardwick

Work with local farmers and value-  
added food producers to understand  
how soil, climate, culture, and  
economics impact what is  
available to eat in our state and how  
that has changed over time.

There is so much in the news about  
the Middle East, but I know very little  
about the various cultures in the  
region. I have personal pride in being  
a fourth generation Vermonter, and I  
wonder about the factors that  
created Vermont "culture". I'm  
curious about comparing life in  
these two places and investigating  
how being born in each place would  
impact the types of foods that seem  
"normal" and delicious.

I'm also really into cooking and am  
thinking of going to culinary school.

I'm also really concerned that our  
current food system is completely  
unsustainable. I want to study the  
ways that humans can produce  
enough food to feed our growing  
population while minimizing our  
impact on the natural world.



## Passion & Purpose

## Partnership