

Challenge 5: Conduct 5 food waste-audits in a semester (2 credits)

Hopefully your school has or will complete food waste challenges in the future. But how can you measure the impact of your work? A food waste-audit is a great way to do just that. Here's an all-inclusive [guide](#) to conduct a food waste-audit in your cafeteria. You can get step-by-step instructions and download customizable forms to record your findings.

If participating in distance learning, schools can teach and encourage students to perform a food waste audit at home. Click [here](#) for tips on how to conduct the audit.

Note this article mentions a 7 day food audit, but at home food audits done through GSI need only span over 5 days (a week's worth of school days).

If done virtually: To receive credit for this challenge, your semester report will have to include: A summary report of the waste audit. Include average amount of food thrown out, most common food thrown out, how many students participated and any other interesting or relevant findings. Please also include photos when possible.