

# The Best Kept Secret in Food Industry Careers: Food Systems Auditing

## TOP 7

### Reasons to become a Food Systems Auditor:

1. Competitive compensation
2. Every day is different than the next
3. Both national and global travel opportunities
4. Exposure to a variety of food industry segments
5. Use your technical knowledge in problem-solving situations
6. Make a difference in the safety of the food you and your family eat
7. Builds personal skills such as observation, the ability to think on your feet and handling difficult situations

## What skills are needed to be a Food Systems Auditor?

### SOFT SKILLS:

Culturally Sensitive  
Time Management  
Communication  
Professional  
Confidential  
Team Work  
Respectful  
Impartial  
Logical  
Ethical

### TECHNICAL SKILLS:

Pre-requisite Programs  
Food Safety Hazards  
Root Cause Analysis  
Preventive Controls  
Risk Management  
Food Regulations  
Best Practices  
GMPs

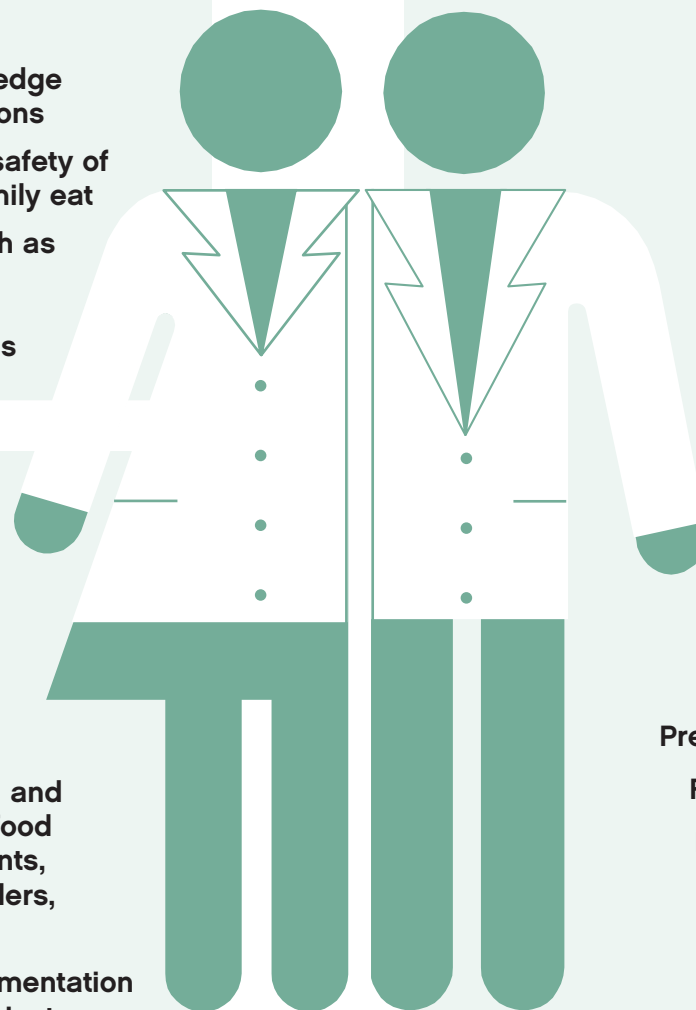
## A FOOD SYSTEMS AUDITOR:

Assesses food safety and quality systems developed and implemented by growers, food processors, packaging plants, distribution company, retailers, or foodservice operations.

Verifies the effective implementation of food safety systems against a recognized standard or set of criteria.

Objectively records their findings.

Applies knowledge of food regulations, food industry systems, and food safety, as well as technical knowledge such as food microbiology, HACCP, and food science.



### LEARN MORE:

The Best Kept Secret in Food Industry Careers Webinar:  
<https://youtu.be/Ae42U4tB40k>

SQFI Auditor Career Resources Page:  
<http://www.sqfi.com/sqf-professional/auditor/auditing-career-resources/>



# The FMI Foundation Food Safety Auditing Scholarship and Education Travel Grant in partnership with the Safe Quality Food Institute

The **FMI Foundation** in partnership with the **Safe Quality Food Institute (SQFI)** is offering scholarships to students who have a true interest in the field of accredited food safety auditing and are currently enrolled in food and agricultural science majors in colleges and universities in North America. These scholarships are extremely competitive and are based primarily on academic ability; leadership potential; motivation and initiative; along with a passion for the food safety industry and the auditing profession. In addition, scholarship recipients will receive an education travel grant to attend the SQF Conference where they have the opportunity to network and connect with over 750 food safety professionals.

**Applications are now being accepted for the 2019/2020 academic year.**

## 2019-2020 SCHOLARSHIP/EDUCATION GRANT DETAILS:

**Scholarship Amount:** \$3,000 undergraduate / graduate

**Education Travel Grant:** Travel, hotel, & admittance to SQF Conference

**Duration:** 1 year

**Deadline:** September 13, 2019 – 5:00 p.m. ET

**Requirements:** GPA: 3.2 or higher

All scholarship recipients will also be awarded travel, hotel and admittance to attend the **2019 SQF Conference November 5-7, 2019 at the JW Hill Marriott, San Antonio, TX**

Please visit the following website to view eligibility requirements and application criteria: <http://www.fmi.org/foundation/scholarship>

## QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP:

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