University at Albany students returned from an extended Columbus Day weekend to find a UFood Grill in the Campus Center food court, the first on-campus location in the nation for the health-conscious fast food brand.

Replacing Wendy's, UFood Grill provides the UAlbany campus community with an extensive array of smart, great tasting food choices - served fast and fresh. The menu includes rare fast food selections such as organic, grass fed bison burgers, fire grilled sirloin tips, Unfries (unfried French fries), steamed broccoli and brown rice.

Since opening day, UFood Grill has been the ‘go to’ retail location on campus. UAlbany students are raving about the taste, quality and healthy feel of the menu. Jessica Haddad, a senior living in a University apartment, said, "The fries are good and everything seems so healthy."

UFood Grill executives have also worked alongside UAlbany Dining (i.e., Sodexo) to bring a personalized feel to the campus location by creating custom items, such as the “Great Dane Smoothie,” made from acai sorbet, strawberries, raspberries, vanilla yogurt and apple juice.

"UFood Grill is a great addition to our overall retail portfolio on campus. Students are always looking for a fast food burger option, so we are pleased to offer one that is healthier than the typical chain offerings, but without any loss in flavor. They also provide menu selections that are very different from what you would find in a typical hamburger restaurant,” stated Executive Director Stephen Pearse, University Auxiliary Services at Albany.

UFood Grill accepts student and faculty/staff dining plans and offers menu options for late breakfast, lunch and dinner.