

“From Grits to Gumbo: How Modern Southerners Define ‘Southern Food’”

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Scott Huffmon, Ph.D., Executive Director of the Center for Public Opinion & Policy Research (CPOPR) at Winthrop University, and Summersby Okey, CPOPR Operations Manager, will present Data from the November 2017 Winthrop Poll. The survey was in the field from October 22 until November 5, 2017 and interviewed 830 respondents from all 11 southern states: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia. Respondents were asked two open-ended questions: “When you hear the term, ‘Southern Food,’ what is the first food that comes to mind?” and “When you hear the term, ‘Southern Food,’ what is the second food that comes to mind?” The presenters will discuss the findings, and will then break the findings down by race, in order to discuss the differences.