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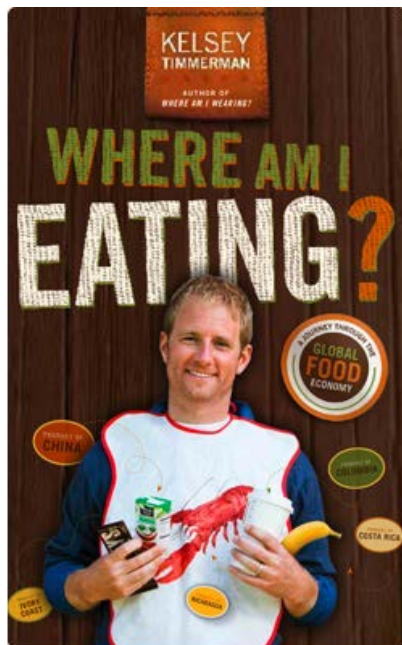
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## Quick Facts

- The book is the third Common Book selected under Winthrop's Global Learning Initiative, a five-year plan designed to improve students' global knowledge, attitudes and engagement.
- University College Dean Gloria Jones said she and members of Winthrop's Common Book Committee wanted a book that focused on an issue of global concern. This year's selection was food.



ROCK HILL, S.C. - **Winthrop University's 2014-15 Common Book** author will be a familiar name for much of the campus community. The selected reading is a second book, "[Where Am I Eating?](#)" by author **Kelsey Timmerman**. Winthrop's previous Common Book was Timmerman's "[Where Am I Wearing?](#)"

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"What we eat, how it is produced, who raises it, how the producers are compensated, the availability of the food product and the economic impact of the product on both the local economy and the global economy are all very important concerns," Jones explained. She added that the book is an easily accessible narrative.

While Winthrop has never had a repeat author in its **Common Book selections**, she said they believe Timmerman's latest book is an excellence choice.

In "[Where Am I Eating?](#)" Timmerman visits Colombia, China, Costa Rica, the Ivory Coast and more to find out just where the food we consume on a daily basis is produced—and more about the people who produce it.

New students will receive a customized copy of the book at **Orientation** and will explore Timmerman's discoveries in various programs scheduled throughout the academic year, as well as in their **Human Experience course**. The [Common Book Project](#), in place at Winthrop since 2004, works to integrate Winthrop students into the university environment and offers them a common intellectual experience that upholds Winthrop's strong academic values.

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