



**Secret Life of Coffee – BSU Second-Year Seminars
Virtual Tasting Event Begins May 3, 2021**

Secret Life of Coffee

Virtual Coffee Tasting 2021

Bridgewater State University

Optional Shopping Guide for Visitors

(Strictly informational -- BSU has financial arrangements with these vendors.)

A coffee tasting event at the end of the spring semester is a second-year seminar tradition that predates the seminar requirement. Every spring since 2007, students in The Secret Life of Coffee have served up coffee and knowledge from around the world, in something like a science fair of coffee. In 2020 and 2021, these are virtual events -- presentations to be enjoyed online. This page is offered for visitors who wish to prepare something appropriate to sip while enjoying the presentations.

We do not live by coffee alone, of course. At some prior events, we have offered fair-trade tea and chocolates. On at least two occasions, a certain company from Vermont sent a representative with a cooler full of free-range ice cream. These teas and cocoas are available in local grocery stores; if they are not, please ask for them.



Tea rivals coffee as a beverage consumed by billions and employing millions. Fairly-traded tea is even more difficult to find than coffee. Fortunately, a world leader in building an ethical trade in tea is located just a few miles from our campus. [Equal Exchange Tea](#) is available online and in stores in varieties for everyone who loves tea.

[Equal Exchange Chocolate](#) runs the gamut from delicious chocolate bars to cocoa for baking or sipping. The Coffee Maven loves its spicy hot chocolate -- reminiscent of [pinolillo](#) and other indigenous beverages of Mesoamerica.



Each student presentation is about coffee in a particular country; enjoying a coffee from the same country has been shown to enhance the learning experience!



COUNTRY/REGION	COFFEE SUGGESTION(S)
Brazil	Mazevo Sul de Minas Cafe Britt Cerrado Mineiro Fresh Roasted Dark Brazil Cerrado
Colombia	Volcanica Colombian Supremo Lucas Roasting Narino Aponte Honey Reserve
Ecuador	Counter Culture Los Charapanos
Ethiopia	Fresh Roasted Organic Yirgacheffe
Guatemala	Dean's Beans Huehuetenango
Indonesia	Dean's Beans Sumatran Lucas Roasting Wicked Dark Sumatra
Kenya	Kahawa 1893
Mexico	Dean's Beans Chiapas Dean's Beans Chiapas Decaf
Nicaragua	Java Vino Selva Negra Honey Process Dean's Beans Jinotega French Roast
Nigeria	Kaldi Nigeria/Ethiopia Blend (shipping only in Nigeria)
Peru	Dean's Beans Peruvian Carbon Neutral
Uganda	Thanksgiving Coffee Delicious Peace
Vietnam	Nguyen Coffee Phin Coffee Kit