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Golden Bowl offers affordable food with a decent taste to go with it.

The atmosphere was calm and comfortable. It wasn't overly busy or loud, and it was easy to have a conversation without many distractions. The staff was friendly, and everything was tidy. The design had an authentic Asian restaurant feel. The location of the restaurant is close to the university which is perfect for students looking for a good cheap meal. This was my first time going to this restaurant, and I am a big fan of hibachi and sushi places, so I decided to give this place a try. It was a little confusing at first because it wasn't the typical hibachi restaurant where a chef makes the food in front of you. You come in and order the food at the front and either get carry out or dine in.

Of course, I ordered the hibachi steak and shrimp (\$10.00). It was served with zucchini, onions, broccoli, mushrooms, egg fried rice, and yum yum sauce if desired. When the meal was ready, I was excited by the smells of a sweet, tangy, meatiness. It was mouth-watering. It looked a little over-saturated in oils, and the meat didn't look exactly tender but still looked like a tasty meal.

The yum yum sauce added much flavor to the meal. It mixed well with the rice, adding a sweet tanginess to every bite. The steak and shrimp weren't very tender, bordering on over-cooked. It didn't explode with juiciness, yet still added flavor to the meal that was better there than not.

The oils made the rest of the food a little sweet instead of the saltiness that I would expect. It was a touch too sweet but still good. The texture of the vegetables was satisfyingly crunchy and soft as it needed to be.

The portion sizes for the price was filling enough to hit that comfortably full feeling, but I was tempted to try some of the sushi.

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