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It is a pleasure to welcome you to the University of Connecticut community. Your new UConn student is about to begin an exciting and challenging education. It is during the college years that students transition to adulthood and eventually move out into the world to make their own way. Developing independence, becoming autonomous and making responsible choices are some of the qualities that help make this happen. Using technology, students have the ability to give parents a play by play description of what is going on in their lives. In this age of text messaging, e-mail, cell phones and skyping, parents are drawn right into the college experience more than ever before.

During this period of transition students need constant support from parents as they are faced with new challenges and experiences both in and out of the classroom. However, it is important to their growth and development that they handle the college life situations that arise even though you may be very tempted to intervene or take control every now and then.

Universities like UConn expect students to take responsibility for their education and consequently, do things for themselves even though parents are paying the bills. UConn has a multitude of departments, faculty and staff on campus to help them along the way. The student only has to ask.

The Parent & Guardian Handbook was designed to enhance your knowledge of the many services and resources that are on the UConn campus for students.
By knowing what is available, you can encourage your son or daughter on where to go for help when a situation comes up. By working together, we can help your new UConn student gain the most from their college years. Again, welcome to UConn and congratulations!

Warm regards,

Maria A. Sedotti
Director Orientation Services/
Liaison UConn Parents Association

The University of Connecticut is Top 10 among national public universities for graduation rate performance according to U.S. News & World Report.
Academics

Schools & Colleges
As one of the top public research institutions in America, UConn's fourteen schools and colleges offer eight undergraduate degrees in over one hundred majors.

The University requires all students to complete at least 120 credits toward their degree, however some schools require more than 120 degree credits for graduation.

All undergraduate students are required to complete general education requirements in addition to their major course work, in order to achieve their 120 hours. General education requirements ensure that students become articulate and acquire intellectual breadth and versatility, critical judgment, moral sensitivity, awareness of their era and society, consciousness of the diversity of human culture and experience, and a working understanding of the processes by which they can continue to acquire and use knowledge. Some schools and colleges may add to general education requirements. To avoid delaying the progress of their degree, students should always discuss their progress in completing general education requirements with their advisor prior to registering for classes.

Students are required to complete at least six credit hours in four content areas, which include: Arts & Humanities, Social Sciences, Science & Technology, and Diversity & Multiculturalism. Undergraduate students may earn a degree from the following Schools and Colleges:
• College of Agriculture & Natural Resources
• Ratcliffe Hicks School of Agriculture
• School of Business
• Neag School of Education
• School of Engineering
• College of Liberal Arts & Sciences
• School of Fine Arts
• School of Nursing
• School of Pharmacy

Classes
During your student's time at UConn, she or he will experience all types of classes – large, small, lecture, lab, writing, quantitative, and computing skills.

Generally, a small class has a capacity of 25 or 30 students, but some may be as small as 19 people. These tend to be more personal than large classes and class participation is common, if not required by the professor. The typical large class can range from 75 to 400 students and is primarily lecture-based. Class discussions are usually held during small discussion groups led by teaching assistants. Discussion groups give the student an opportunity to ask further questions or to clarify material covered in the large lecture classes.

After speaking with your UConn student you may find that their professors utilize lecture time differently. Professors may cover material directly from the reading, use the text as a “jumping off point” for lectures, and/or lecture on material completely different than assigned homework reading. A professor’s course syllabus will give your student an idea of how a particular course is taught.

Lab courses usually allow students to learn by doing. These class sessions (labs) are typically three to four hours long with class time spent experiencing the practical applications of the content taught in class.

The classes your student will take reflect the University faculties' requirement of students developing writing, quantitative and computing skills. In the on-line course catalog, courses including one or more of these skills have a letter following the course number indicating the skill(s) taught. Examples of these letters follow:

W - major writing assignments aimed at teaching the student to write clearly
Q - requires knowledge and use of mathematics and/or statistics above the basic algebra level
Registration

UConn follows a semester system with two semesters making up an academic year. Registration for continuing students occurs near the middle of the semester for courses they wish to take the following semester. Students must meet with their academic advisor to discuss courses for the following semester before registering for them. Course registration is done online using the Student Administration System, also called “PeopleSoft.” In order to use the system students are assigned an ID number and password which they will need to change when they first log into the system. Every University class has a call number that is entered into the system so it can be added to a student’s schedule. Students can access the system at www.studentadmin.uconn.edu.

Advisors

Freshman and sophomores are assigned to a particular advisor or to a central office of academic advising in a school or college. Juniors and seniors are advised by faculty members in the department of their major. The advisor helps the student develop a program of courses for registration and is also available throughout the year to formulate a plan of study leading to a degree. Although the advisor is responsible for providing direction to a student in making appropriate academic decisions, it is the responsibility of the student to become familiar with the academic regulations and degree requirements of the University, as well as special requirements of their major. Most students have a permanent advisor by their fourth semester and some even earlier. The University expects students, not parents, to contact academic advisors.

First Year Experience

The University's First Year Experience program helps new students be “successful from the start.” Over 80% of incoming UConn students take advantage of these one-credit small classes (15-19 students) that bring new freshmen together once a week with other new students.

The University offers three types of FYE courses. UNIV 1800 University Learning Skills courses - each taught by a team of faculty, staff, or undergraduate student mentors - help students get started off on the right track to academic and personal success. These classes cover crucial topics such as mastering University academics, adjusting to a new living environment, and getting actively involved with the campus community. There are also “University Learning Skills” classes for Transfer students. UNIV 1820 Faculty-Student Seminars focus on a topic of the faculty instructor's personal interest and provide the student with interactive discussion and in-depth learning. Seminar topics are diverse and in the past have included classes focused on bioethics, Middle Eastern culture and politics, web marketing, cooking, and crime science. UNIV 1810 classes are for students in Living-Learning Communities (LCs). Students who live together in these communities will also take a course together to meet their neighbors and enhance the sense of community. Some communities have peer mentors or continuing UConn students living on the floor as part of the LC, in addition to the Resident Assistant (RA) on the floor.

For full FYE descriptions and the most up-to-date list of class meeting times visit www.fye.uconn.edu
Academics Support Services

Academic difficulties can occur, so to support your student UConn offers numerous resources. Encourage your student to seek help when the first signs of trouble begin. Students should avoid waiting to seek help because if they wait too long it may be too late. Resources are available along the way to help students adjust and be successful. A partial list of resources follows:

1. **Office Hours** Professors are required to establish office hours for their students to drop-in for help. These are often indicated on the course syllabus and appointments can usually be made if a student is unable to make them.

2. **TAs** Some large courses have teaching assistants (TAs) in addition to the professor. Large lecture courses may be broken down into smaller sections once a week and a student can obtain extra help there. TAs may also hold drop-in office hours.

3. **UConn Connects** The University of Connecticut created the UConn Connects Program to serve as an intervention program to help students be more successful academically. The UConn Connects program pairs each student with a staff or peer facilitator who will guide them through the semester. To learn more visit [aac.uconn.edu](http://aac.uconn.edu)

4. **The Quantitative Learning Center** The Quantitative Learning Center is located on Level 1 of the Library. The Q Center offers free tutoring to students enrolled in Math, Statistics, Physics, Chemistry, and Economics courses. For more information about the Q Center, visit [www.qcenter.uconn.edu](http://www.qcenter.uconn.edu) or call (860) 486-1961.

5. **The Writing Center** The Writing Center helps students with writing in any course they have. The Writing Center has two locations: Level 1 of the Library and AUST 159. Students are able to schedule an appointment online at [www.writingcenter.uconn.edu](http://www.writingcenter.uconn.edu), by calling (860) 486-4387, or stopping by during available hours. Please refer to the Writing Center website for more information.

6. **AAC** The Academic Achievement Center, (860) 486-4889, is a walk-in service, staffed by trained undergraduates, to coach students in effective ways to study material, develop time management strategies, and manage stress so that it does not negatively impact their performance. The Academic Achievement Center is located in ROWE 217 and is available Monday through Thursday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, visit [acc.uconn.edu](http://acc.uconn.edu)

7. **CSD** The Center for Students with Disabilities, works to enhance and create a comprehensively accessible University. CSD provides accommodations for students to ensure an equal educational experience. The Center for Students with Disabilities is located on the 2nd Floor of the Wilbur Cross Building, visit [www.csd.uconn.edu](http://www.csd.uconn.edu) or call (860) 486-2020 for more information.
Next Generation Connecticut

Next Generation Connecticut is Gov. Dannel P. Malloy’s proposal to greatly expand educational opportunities, research, and innovation in the science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) disciplines at UConn over the next decade.

The shared goal of this proposal is to leverage the strength and resources of this University to build Connecticut’s future workforce, create jobs, and bring new life to the State’s economy. The cornerstone of this effort is a major increase in the University’s enrollment, the expansion of our faculty – above and beyond UConn’s current faculty hiring initiative – and new and updated facilities to accommodate enhanced STEM research and teaching, as well as our growing population. It will also support the academic missions and the expansion of critical programs at UConn’s Greater Hartford and Stamford campuses.

This proposal represents one of the most ambitious state investments in economic development, higher education and research in the nation. With Next Generation Connecticut, key, targeted strategic investments in facilities, faculty, and students will establish UConn as a vital STEM institution, fueling Connecticut’s economy with new technologies, highly skilled graduates, new companies, patents, licenses, and high-wage STEM jobs. Goals of this ambitious 10-year plan include:

• Hire 259 new faculty (of which 200 will be in STEM);
• Enroll an additional 6,580 talented undergraduate students;
• Build STEM facilities to house materials science, physics, biology, engineering, cognitive science, genomics, and related disciplines;
• Construct new STEM teaching laboratories;
• Create a premier STEM honors program;
• Upgrade aging infrastructure to accommodate new faculty and students;
• Expand digital media and risk management degree programs and provide student housing in Stamford;
• Relocate UConn’s Greater Hartford Campus to downtown Hartford.

**Adapted from uconn.edu/nextgenct/
Academics

Babbidge Library

There is an inseparable relationship between the quality of the University library system and the quality of the University. With 2.5 million volumes, the UConn Library System holds the largest public collection of research materials in the state. On the Storrs campus, the University Libraries include the Central library (Homer Babbidge Library), Cookson Music and Dramatic Arts Library, Pharmacy Library, and Thomas J. Dodd Research Center, which houses Archives and Special Collections.

Located in the center of campus, the Homer Babbidge Library seats over 3,000 people and has space for 3 million volumes. Current journal subscriptions number approximately 9,000. UConn students, faculty, and staff have access to 2,500 computer databases and major full text online services such as LEXIS/NEXIS, Dow Jones, and Infotrac. The Babbidge reference collection contains more than 35,000 printed volumes - indexes, bibliographies, dictionaries, encyclopedias, and other sources that enable researchers to locate information. Other resources in the library are: Government Publications, Special Purpose Collections and Services, Archives & Special Collections, Art & Design Library, Culpeper Library, Audio/Video/Computer Café, Library Services for Persons with Disabilities, Map and Geographic Information Center, Microtext, Music Library and Pharmacy Library.

For more information visit www.lib.uconn.edu
Student Activities provides holistic development to UConn students by enriching their intellectual, ethical and social development. The department of Student Activities provides programming and opportunities that engage students in community involvement and leadership opportunities.

Student Activities is committed to providing excellent programs and services that promote student self-governance, respect for diversity, civic responsibility and life-long learning.

Community Outreach Community Outreach offers students opportunities to engage in service related activities that enhance the quality of life of others in the community while enriching their own learning experience at the University of Connecticut.

The Office of Community Outreach has been recognized on the 2013 President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll with Distinction!

Community Outreach offers the following services:
• One-time and regular service programs
• Volunteer and federal work-study positions
• Advising for individual students and student organizations looking to develop a service-related project

Programs Office The Programs Office is dedicated to providing excellent programs and services that enhance the student experience. These programs engage students with their campus community while providing educational opportunities in a fun and exciting environment.

The Programs Office is also available to advise all student organizations on any aspect of event planning. Events that are provided by the Programs Office include:

• Family Weekend: an annual event that takes place each fall at the University of Connecticut. It is a time for families to partake in the same spirit that embraces our students on campus throughout the academic year. This weekend of fun-filled events gives you a snapshot of our culture, the community’s academic excellence and the energy of our vibrant campus.
• Husky WOW: or Husky Week of Welcome is a week of programming that takes place prior to the first week of classes. It is a chance for new students to engage with UConn’s vibrant campus community and for returning Huskies to get in the spirit of the semester.

Involvement Office The Involvement Office exists to help students get connected with involvement opportunities on campus, as well as promote active campus engagement. They also provide support for student organizations.

Leadership Programs The Office of Leadership Programs offers a comprehensive, unique, and cutting edge approach to its leadership development programming which seeks to prepare students to be engaged, forward thinking, and global citizens. In order to do this, Leadership Programs provides three levels of programming.

• Explore Programs: Introduce students to the basic concepts and principles of leadership
• Engage Programs: Apply theory to practice within academic disciplines and co-curricular activities
• Elevate Programs: Prepare students for leadership beyond the institution
Opportunities for Involvement

The University of Connecticut has over 500 registered clubs and organizations on campus that reflect the diverse interests of our student body, and round out one of the top campus activities programs in the nation. The Student Involvement Fair held in early September and early February, gives new students the opportunity to see what co-curricular opportunities are out there. The Involvement Fair provides students with the ability to connect with representatives from several different groups.

UConn’s Cultural Centers celebrate the University’s commitment to diversity and civility. Throughout the year the Cultural Centers coordinate and sponsor a wide variety of programs and events that are available to all UConn students. The Centers are an excellent opportunity for students to engage with members of their identity group, or explore cultures and lifestyles of groups they may be less familiar with. All five centers have locations on the fourth floor of the Student Union, and are open to all students.

Cultural Centers

Asian American Cultural Center
(860) 486-0830
www.asacc.uconn.edu

H. Fred Simons African American Cultural Center
(860) 486-3433
www.aacc.uconn.edu

Puerto Rican/Latin American Cultural Center
(860) 486-1135
www.prlacc.uconn.edu

Rainbow Center
(860) 486-5821
www.rainbowcenter.uconn.edu

Women’s Center
(860) 486-4738
www.womenscenter.uconn.edu

The Rainbow Center performs at Lip Sync 2010.
Faith Communities
The Area Association of Religious Communities (AARC) is an organization of clergy, leaders and coordinators of the faith communities at the University of Connecticut and in Mansfield. For more information and additional organizations visit: aarc.stthomasuconn.org/

First Baptist Church of Mansfield
(860) 429-6043

St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel
(860) 429-6436

Storrs Congregational Church
(860) 429-9382

First Church of Christ
(Congregational)
(860) 423-9008

St. Mark’s Episcopal Chapel
(860) 429-2647

Storrs Friends Meeting (Quaker)
(860) 487-1847

Chapel of the Three Hierarchs
(860) 429-8518

B’nai B’rith Hillel Foundation
(860) 429-9007

Hope Lutheran Church
(860) 429-5409

First United Methodist Church
(860) 423-1130

The Islamic Center
(860) 429-1246

The Arts
The University offers cultural facilities to both students and the public. The William Benton Museum of Art, (860) 486-4520, is a state museum that houses its own collection and hosts visiting exhibitions. It is located near the Wilbur Cross Building. The Albert N. Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts (860) 486-4226, hosts major touring artists and companies, as well as University ensembles. Productions by the drama department and the Connecticut Repertory Theatre are performed in the Harriet S. Jorgensen Theater, the Nafe Katter Theatre, and the Studio Theatre. More information on events and tickets can be found at www.jorgensen.uconn.edu. Von der Mehden Recital Hall hosts performances by students, faculty, and visiting artists. The Ballard Institute and Museum of Puppetry (860) 486-0339, located in Storrs Center, displays works of various artists.

Commuters
Commuters are able to take advantage of most of the activities that are available to resident students. They may join intramural sports teams, fraternities, sororities, clubs, as well as organizations and take part in any of the weekend activities held on campus. To meet people outside of the classroom, commuters may want to study in the library, with friends in the residence halls, or hang out in the Student Union where there is a commuter lounge. Commuters can also purchase a meal plan (Community Plan) and eat in University Dining Units.

Commuter students should contact Off-Campus Student Services with any questions:
Wilbur Cross Rm. 203
Tel: 860-486-3426 offcampus@uconn.edu
Intramural Sports  For students who enjoy organized athletics but do not play at the varsity level, the Recreation Department sponsors an extensive intramural program. Students may participate with their Residence Hall, Greek organization, or club in intramurals that range from coed inner-tube water polo to basketball and volleyball.

Student Recreation Facility
The Student Recreation Facility is the primary location for students to work on personal fitness. The facility houses fitness and weight rooms, a pool, an indoor track, basketball, volleyball, badminton, racquetball, squash courts, an indoor soccer field and a rock climbing wall. Most intramural sports are conducted at the facility, as well as at various athletic fields and courts located around campus including the Sherman Family Sports Complex.

The Student Recreation Facility also offers a variety of BodyWise classes, which are part of the Fitness and Wellness Program. Students can register for these fitness classes at the UConn Recreation website.

UConn Outdoors  UConn Outdoors is one of the many diverse programs and services brought to you by UConn Recreation. The programs is run out of the UConn Adventure Center (UAC) located on the 2nd floor of the Student Union. The goal of UConn Outdoors is to offer engaging and enjoyable instructional adventure experiences. UConn Outdoors seeks to challenge and support students by allowing them to take a break from the campus grind and meet some great new people! UConn Outdoors is proud to provide:

- Knowledgeable instruction
- Friendly & attentive service
- Exciting programming

- Quality outdoor equipment & facilities
- Leadership development

Their staff includes outdoor professionals, qualified volunteers and fellow UConn students who have prepared through their training system to offer students a fantastic adventure experience. They have led successful programs for the past 14 years throughout New England, the continental United States and beyond.

Husky Pride

Athletics  Intercollegiate athletics add to the social experience at UConn. Our nationally ranked men’s soccer, women’s soccer, women’s field hockey and men’s football are the primary spectator sports in the fall. When winter arrives some of the nation’s top basketball teams take on the men and women Huskies at Gampel Pavilion, Hartford’s XL Center, or New York’s Madison Square Garden.

Students who are excited to partake in UConn Athletics should keep in mind that tickets for Football, Men’s Hockey, Men’s and Women’s Soccer are sold on a season ticket basis. Tickets can be purchased online at uconnhuskies.com.

Men’s and Women’s Basketball season tickets are sold on a lottery system due to their high demand. The lottery system is based on each students credit hours at the university.

Seniors: All University of Connecticut undergraduate students who enter the lottery and have earned 86 credits or more will have their PeopleSoft ID number entered in the lottery program 5 times.
Juniors: All University of Connecticut undergraduate students who enter the lottery and have earned 54 credits, but fewer than 86 will have their PeopleSoft ID number entered in the lottery program 4 times.

Sophomores: All University of Connecticut undergraduate students who enter the lottery and have earned 24 credits, but fewer than 54 will have their PeopleSoft ID number entered in the lottery program 3 times.

Freshmen: All University of Connecticut undergraduate students who enter the lottery with fewer than 24 credits earned will have their PeopleSoft ID number entered in the lottery program 2 times.

Tickets for all other sporting events on campus are free of charge. Parents and family members looking to show their husky pride and attend a game should also purchase tickets at uconnhuskies.com.

**UConn Fight Song**

**UConn Husky, symbol of might to the foe**

Fight, fight Connecticut,

It’s victory, let’s go (let’s go!)

Connecticut UConn Husky,

Do it again for the white and blue

So go (fight!) - go (fight!) - go (fight!) - go!

Connecticut, Connecticut U

(Spell it!)

C-O-N-N-E-C-T-I-C-U-T,

Connecticut

Connecticut Husky,

Connecticut Husky

C-O-N-N-U(Fight!)
Jonathan the University of Connecticut’s Husky Dog Mascot is seen at many athletic and other public events. However, for much of UConn’s early history, the institution lacked a Mascot.

Jonathan’s rise to glory started on November 9, 1934, when Connecticut State College (UConn, as it was known in the 1930s) played rivals Rhode Island Agricultural in football, a “ram-napping” occurred. Connecticut State College’s students kidnapped Rhode Island’s Ram Mascot.

At this time, however, Connecticut State College did not even have a nickname, let alone a school Mascot. This kidnapping raised interest on campus for selecting a Mascot for Connecticut State College. Shortly thereafter, following a “Connecticut Campus” (school newsletter) contest, the Husky Dog, was chosen as Connecticut State College’s mascot and has remained since.

After the Mascot had arrived, it was time to find it a name. The alumni paper, the “Connecticut Alumnus” took this task upon itself and launched a contest, which revealed the winning entry of Jonathan, inspired by Jonathan Trumbull, Connecticut’s revolutionary war-era governor.

In 1935, shortly after arriving on campus the first Jonathan Husky Dog died as a result of injuries after being hit by an automobile. He was buried on the hill opposite East Campus. Several months later in the fall of 1935, Jonathan II made his debut. He was a Siberian Husky, and ever since, the Husky Mascot has been a white dog. He arrived on campus just in time to meet Ulysses, the Rhode Island Ram Mascot, during the annual football game.

Many of the husky dogs have been very tenacious. Jonathan II chased Brown University’s bear up a tree. Police and fire fighters were needed to retrieve the frightened bear. In November, 1947, Jonathan III was halted by security at the gate of Yale Bowl. After gaining admittance to the Bowl, Jonathan III chased Yale University’s bulldog around the Yale Bowl.

Jonathan IV, a Siberian Eskimo-Samoyed mix with some grayish markings, also was not fond of Yale’s bulldog, as he grabbed the bulldog by the nose the first time the two mascots met. Jonathan IV stayed with UConn from 1949-1959 and was known to growl at opposing basketball players when they scored against Connecticut.

Apparently with Jonathan V, the tenacity disappeared. Reports of the time call Jonathan V “shell shocked” because he was unable to tolerate the noise and emotions of fans at football games. He was retired early because he cowered in the presence of large crowds.

While a husky dog replacement was being selected, a costumed “Mascot” began making appearances in
1964. He was not called Jonathan at first, but rather “Homer the Husky,” a reference to the then still-new president, Homer D. Babbidge, Jr.

The next actual Husky Dog, Jonathan VI, had a short career, as just 2 months after being introduced to campus, a car hit him. His successor, Jonathan VII, came as a gift from the student body at the University of Alaska in March 1965 to repay UConn’s student body for donations following an earthquake in Alaska.

Jonathan VII was almost sold as protest against the war in Vietnam because the Student Senate, today’s Undergraduate Student Government, determined that the dog “represented the establishment.” Fortunately, a student petition saved the dog, and from that point on, Alpha Phi Omega (APO), the service fraternity, has handled the dog.

A changing of the mascot occurred at a football game in 1977 as Jonathan VIII was introduced and Jonathan VII retired. Jonathan VIII died of cancer in May, 1991. Initially the next Mascot was named Jonathan IX, but before his public debut, APO announced that he was really Jonathan X. It was said that there had been 2 dogs called Jonathan VIII, but verifications from public record has not been found. Jonathan X died in 1995 after being hit by a car.

The spring of 1995 was a busy season at UConn. In April 1995, the UConn’s women’s team won the NCAA basketball championship. Shortly after the title, a Husky dog statue was dedicated outside Gampel Pavilion. In May Jonathan XI replaced his predecessor. Jonathan XI represented the University through an animal therapy program to help children and the elderly.

Jonathan XIV is a little guy with a bright future as UConn’s newest mascot. After a careful search for just the right pup by a student committee charged with the task, he arrived on campus during winter break as a nearly nine-week-old puppy. Lucky for him, he’ll be living with his big brother, Jonathan XIII, and getting his basic training from an experienced hand (ummm – make that – paw).
Financial Aid

Application for all need-based financial aid programs begins with submission of the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), available online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. The FAFSA is the only application UConn requires for the awarding of federal, state, and University funds for the academic year. If your student is receiving financial aid this year (2012-2013), you may already be familiar with this process.

Beginning in the Fall 2009 semester, the University started participating exclusively in the (William D. Ford) Federal Direct Loan program, in which borrowers obtain loan funds directly from the U.S. Department of Education. All Federal Stafford Loan and Federal PLUS Loan borrowers need to complete a Master Promissory Note (MPN) for this program. Additional information is available at financialaid.uconn.edu/directfaq.

Personal Finances

Paying for books, phone bills, laundry, toiletries, and entertainment expenditures are only a few of the possible expenses a student may incur. Family discussions, prior to the student’s arrival on campus, concerning how these expenses will be handled (e.g., allowance, student savings, campus employment, etc.) tend to ease the financial adjustments a student must make. A little foresight and planning beforehand can reduce a lot of future anxiety. It is recommended that you and your student work together to establish a budget to control college spending.

The amount of money a student needs varies depending on personal spending habits. Book costs for a semester vary from a total of $300 to $800 and may be dependent upon the student’s major, school/college, and the number of courses taken. Money may also be needed for things like laundry detergent, personal toiletry items, and haircuts. Meal plans are included in the fee bill, however take-out at off-campus restaurants is becoming an important part of a college student’s budget. Other costs may be associated with joining some UConn clubs or organizations. Expenses vary with the student and this is why access to a local bank is recommended.
Billing

Bills often called the “fee bill” are available for students in July and early December and are in the form of an online e-bill. To read more about e-billing, see page 20.

Fee bills are due August 1st and January 8th respectively. Students who have not paid or deferred their fee bills by the deadlines may be subject to University sanctions that include cancellation of classes, e-mail accounts, housing, library service, or access to the registration system. There is a late fee charge to all students who miss the August 1st and January 8th payment deadlines. For further information, check the University Bursar’s website at www.bursar.uconn.edu.

Undergraduate Cost of Attendance 2014-2015

These values are estimates for the 2013-14 school year. The total budget includes direct educational costs and an estimate of indirect costs based on full-time attendance. All costs are estimated and are subject to change by the Board of Trustees and State Legislative action.

Estimated Storrs Campus Student Budgets
(Living at the Storrs Campus)

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**More information available at financialaid.uconn.edu**

*The housing and meal plan amounts are an average of the cost of the various options for the year. These figures do not represent your actual fee bill but are estimates and subject to change.*
**Paperless E-Billing**

E-billing offers your student several benefits:

- A “green dividend” through a dramatic decrease in paper consumption for such things as fee bills, envelopes, and inserts, thus helping to conserve our natural resources
- The option for students to designate an authorized user such as a parent or guardian to do business on their behalf
- 24 hours a day, 7 days a week access to billing from any location with a web browser
- Helping to keep tuition and fee costs down by lowering the University’s costs of doing business

Prior to each semester, students and authorized users will be notified by e-mail when their e-bill is ready to be viewed. Students and authorized users may pay their e-bills online by e-check or by credit card (note: for most students only Mastercard and Discover card are accepted and a 2.5% convenience fee applies for credit cards). Traditional paper checks are also accepted, however, checks are scanned and converted to electronic payments. For more information about becoming an “authorized user,” please visit the Bursar’s website at [www.bursar.uconn.edu](http://www.bursar.uconn.edu).

E-bills are fully integrated with the UConn Payment Plan for those who desire to pay in installments. UConn’s e-billing has many of the conveniences typical of online bill paying. For example, you are able to set up optional secure “profiles” that save your checking account or credit card information so that you do not have to re-enter it each semester. There is even an option to be notified by text message.

For more information visit [www.bursar.uconn.edu](http://www.bursar.uconn.edu)

**Payment Plan**

The University of Connecticut offers an optional installment payment plan for fee bills. Students and families who desire a payment plan contract directly with UConn.

For those desiring to participate, fall enrollments begin approximately June 25th of each year and spring enrollments begin approximately November 25th. The enrollment period ends on the tenth day of classes of each semester (i.e., at the end of “Add/Drop”). Please note that if you enroll after the first installment is due you will be required to pay any “catch up” installments at the time of enrollment.

The plan is interest-free, however, there is an enrollment fee of $35 per semester, and it is necessary to re-enroll in the plan each semester.

To access the plan now, have your student log into their Student Administration Account at [www.studentadmin.uconn.edu](http://www.studentadmin.uconn.edu), click on “Self Service,” then “Student Center,” and scroll down to the “Finances” subsection. Then click on the “UConn payment plan” link and follow the prompts.

Installment payment plan has several advantages:

- Payment plans are set up quickly and easily on a self-service basis directly through your student’s Student Administration account.
- Students may grant payment plan access to one or more authorized users, such as a parent.
- The plan automatically sends out e-mail notifications concerning changes in your fee bill and the impact on your payment plan budget. This eliminates the risk of under-budgeting or over-budgeting.

For more information on the payment plan visit [www.bursar.uconn.edu](http://www.bursar.uconn.edu)
Student Employment

Students can find information about part-time temporary student employment opportunities at the Student Employment website studentjobs.uconn.edu. These positions are funded by either federal work-study or student labor dollars from departmental budgets. Both programs allow students to earn money to meet educational expenses. It is not necessary to apply for financial aid to secure jobs funded by student labor. If students are offered a Federal Work-Study (FWS) award as part of their financial aid package, it will appear in their list of financial aid awards in the Student Administration System www.studentadmin.uconn.edu. FWS eligibility is based upon financial need as determined by the Office of Student Financial Aid Services.

All jobs advertised on the Student Employment website are either located at the University (including regional campuses) or in an approved local off-campus community service agency. All student employees are required to complete a federal I-9 form to verify their identity and employment eligibility. For further information concerning these student employment opportunities, log on to studentjobs.uconn.edu.

Student workers learn valuable skills while on the job including customer service and time management.
In 1974 Congress passed the “Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act” or “FERPA”, also known as the Buckley Amendment. FERPA applies both to K-12 and postsecondary educational records, although there is one key difference in the way that the law applies. In K-12, the rights under FERPA belong to the student’s parents until the student turns 18. In postsecondary education, the rights belong to the student, regardless of age or dependent status.

The law gives students certain rights concerning their UConn records, including the right to expect that information in their UConn records will be kept confidential, disclosed only with their permission or as permitted under the law. One such provision permits the University to disclose, without a student’s permission, a subset of information known as “Directory Information”. This includes information that, if released, generally would not constitute a violation of privacy. Parents occasionally ask for other student information that does not fall within our list of “Directory Information”, such as student grades, fee bills, and financial aid awards. Under UConn’s FERPA Policy, the University cannot release that information without the student’s permission, even to parents who pay the bills.

So what can parents do to get this information?

1. Ask your student for the information. We encourage parents to communicate with their students about grades and progress towards their educational objectives, and not just at the end of the semester. Mid-semester, prior to the start of registration for the next term, is a very good time to have a conversation about how a student’s courses are going in the current term and what courses the student plans to take the next semester.

2. Have your student complete the online FERPA Privacy Waiver, accessible through the on-line Student Administration System. Through the FERPA Privacy Waiver, a student can identify specific individuals (like yourself!) that employees from the following departments can speak with: Academic Information (Office of the Registrar), Financial Aid, Residential Life, Office of Student Services and Advocacy, Study Abroad, Husky One-Card, and student conduct records (Community Standards). See: http://www.ferpa.uconn.edu/ferpa_info.html for more information.

3. For all other information, have your student sign a paper FERPA waiver. A waiver may be found on the University’s FERPA page, available at: http://www.ferpa.uconn.edu/ferpa_forms.html#forms.

For more information, please see: ferpa.uconn.edu
Student Administration System

The Student Administration System, also called “PeopleSoft,” is the UConn system that contains your student’s record. It is a system accessed by all UConn students through the use of their NetID.

Their NetID consists of three lower case letters (usually their initials) - abc - the year they were issued their NetID - 06 and a 3-digit sequential number of persons with their initials being assigned a NetID the same year, i.e. abc06003.

Their NetID number is unique to them as it serves as one of their identifiers the entire time they are at UConn.

Students can also use the Student Administration System to:

- Update their mailing address and telephone number
- Search for classes by subject, meeting day/time, instructor
- Request an official transcript
- View their advisors
- Apply for graduation
- Accept their financial aid
- Make a payment
- Waive the Health Insurance Fee
- View the Course Catalog
- View a summary of their high school information
- View their transfer credit report
- View their grades
- Print an enrollment verification
- View their fee bill
- Waive financial aid payment rules
- Waive the Public Interest Research Group (PIRG) Fee

Most students find the system easy to use, but in case students do have questions an interactive help module is available for the system. It can be found at www.peoplesofhelp.uconn.edu.
The University of Connecticut’s Student Health Services (SHS) is a health care facility fully accredited by the Accreditation Association of Ambulatory Health Care Facilities. A wide range of services are offered to students, including primary health care, acute care (non-life-threatening), mental health counseling, inpatient care, laboratory, radiology, physical therapy, and a pharmacy.

Specialized services and programs include a women’s clinic, allergy clinic, athletic medicine, nutritional counseling, health education, a cold self-care center, HIV antibody testing, special health clinics, and substance abuse prevention education.

Services are available to all properly registered Storrs students who present their UConn ID. There are additional charges for services including lab tests, x-rays, special procedures, annual gynecological exams, certain medical and mental health clinic services, and pharmacy purchases. While insurance coverage is not required in order to receive care at Student Health Services, all full time students are required by the University to maintain health insurance coverage.

Students may choose to be covered for accidents and illnesses by a personal insurance policy, a plan carried by their parents or a group policy sponsored by the University, sold and administered through a private insurance agency under contract to the University. The University uses what is called a “hard waiver” system to assure students health coverage. Under the hard waiver system, all students not wanting the University Insurance plan must waive it by accessing the self-service section of their Student Administration (Peoplesoft) account. It is strongly suggested that a comparison of other coverage versus the Aetna Student Health plan be conducted prior to declining the plan. Please visit our website at www.shs.uconn.edu for important information regarding our plan provisions and billing practices. If the student does not waive out, or if the student does not have coverage, the Student Administration System will assume that the coverage offered under the University sponsored health insurance plan is accepted, and the charge for that coverage will be placed on the student’s fee bill.

For further information about Health Insurance Plans call Student Health Services at (860) 486-4700 or visit www.shs.uconn.edu.
Counseling and Mental Health Services (CMHS)

The campus environment can be both exciting and challenging. It can also be highly stressful since social and emotional concerns can interfere with effective functioning and academic performance. CMHS is committed to helping students benefit from their college experience. One way students can do this is to talk to a mental health professional in a supportive atmosphere to aid self-understanding and the resolution of personal concerns. Although CMHS may work with students in crisis, their primary goal is to assist students with their concerns before they develop into more serious problems. CMHS works to promote students’ emotional, relational, and personal development. CMHS is a friendly and helpful place students can come to seek a safe, confidential, and supportive environment to do the work they need to do to be a successful, happy, and healthy person!

CMHS offers a variety of services to students including: group, individual and couples counseling; psychiatric assessment and medication monitoring; campus outreach and consultation; and training. CMHS provides brief model therapy. In the event that a student’s concerns cannot be met by CMHS, appropriate and professional referral to community agencies are arranged. CMHS also offers emergency services 24/7 while school is in session. Emergency services can be accessed during the day by walking in to the center and after hours by calling the CMHS main number at (860) 486-4705.

In addition to all of this, CMHS offers a variety of services via its website including information specific for parents and families. Parent and Family information can be found at: www.smhs.uconn.edu/parents_families.html. Please know that CMHS considers itself to be partners with UConn parents and families especially during times when they are working with your student. While they maintain strict confidentiality of your student’s mental health records, students are often willing and interested to invite parents and families in to be involved in their treatment.

For more information, please visit www.counseling.uconn.edu

Mandatory Student Health History Form

DUE: July 1, 2014

Who Gets It: Department of Student Health Services
Where did it come from: The student health history form will be sent to new students after the $150 acceptance fee is paid.
How can I still get one?: Access the Student Health Services website at www.shs.uconn.edu.
Purpose of form: The health form documents a student’s medical records as well as provides proof of adequate immunization against measles and rubella in order to attend classes.

Mandatory Meningitis Immunization

Connecticut State law requires that any college student residing in university-owned housing be vaccinated against meningitis as a condition for living in the university’s residence halls and apartments. Students can obtain the meningococcal immunization through their health care provider. The health form documents the meningitis immunization. Students cannot move into their residence halls if this requirement is not met. The University is offering a meningitis immunization clinic for students who cannot obtain it from their health care provider by appointment only. For more information please refer to: www.shs.uconn.edu.
The University of Connecticut has over 12,000 students who live on campus, making it a city within a town. Similar to other towns, UConn has its own Public Safety Complex located at 126 North Eagleville Road. This complex contains the Police, Fire and Rescue Departments. The information in this section has been compiled to help heighten your awareness of your student’s personal safety and crime prevention at UConn.

Husky Rides

Husky Rides is a van service provided by UConn Transportation (previously “Husky Watch” - run by the Police Department). Their mission is to provide faculty, staff and students with a safe ride when they do not feel comfortable walking to their destination. A Husky Ride will bring your student to an approved location within a one-mile radius of the Storrs campus. However, passengers must be traveling either to or from an on-campus location. If they’re not sure whether Husky Rides services their location, please direct your student to the Husky Rides website listed below.

The Husky Rides Service is a free service available to students, faculty, and staff. The service provides safe and timely campus and local transportation.


Students Serving Students

GUARD Dogs is a free non-judgmental, completely student run safe-ride program which is the only one of its kind on the UConn campus. GUARD Dog volunteers provide safe rides to students Thursday nights from 10pm - 1 a.m. and Friday and Saturday nights from 11:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. Students can call (860) 486-8000 for their safe ride home. GUARD Dogs is sponsored by UConn’s Undergraduate Student Government and is not affiliated with the UConn Police Department. For more information regarding GUARD Dog or to see other services provided by USG you can visit guarddogs.uconn.edu.
Fire Department

UConn is the only New England public university, and one of only a handful of campuses nationwide, that employs its own paid and fully staffed fire department. The Fire Department is a fully operational 24-hour department composed of 29 fire fighters. All fire fighters are Emergency Medical Technicians, who can assist faculty, staff and students with medical emergencies. The department includes two engines, two basic life support ambulances, and a pair of hazardous material response trucks, one of which is outfitted to tow a fully self-supporting decontamination trailer in case of a toxic release or nuclear accident. The department also has one of only two aerial trucks in the region so there is no wait for outside fire departments to arrive on campus with their ladder vehicles to reach high-rise buildings. The department, which has been on campus for more than 80 years, conducts outreach and safety training programs, including CPR training, extensively throughout the year.

Police Department

The UConn Police Department is a fully operational 24-hour department composed of approximately 50 police officers. The department contains its own 911 center, which is the only one in the state outside a town or city, except the center at Bradley International Airport. There is a permanent foot-patrol officer in the center of campus in addition to other foot-patrol shifts and motorcycle police officers. The University has over 250 outdoor emergency call boxes, and is installing new boxes regularly.

For more information on the Police Department including crime statistics for UConn, Storrs access their web site at: www.police.uconn.edu
Campus safety is a vital concern at the University of Connecticut. The University Alert Notification System provides a number of ways in which the University can contact the campus community quickly in the event of an emergency. The components of the University Alert Notification System include website alerts, e-mail, voice mail, outdoor sirens and Code Blue Phone Kiosks. Each of these components is intended to enhance communications during an emergency.

The multi-faceted alert notification system is the result of work done by a committee of students, faculty, staff and administrators, including UConn’s fire and police personnel, who have worked to put systems into place to give the University community early warning of emergency and weather situations. The committee meets on a regular basis to further monitor and update the system.

Depending on the nature of the emergency, one or more of the following actions may be taken in an effort to reach as many members of the campus community as possible:

- Alert banners may appear on University of Connecticut web pages, directing users to the alert website www.alert.uconn.edu
- Text messages may be sent to cell phones
- Voicemail, email, and/or the web may be used to update students and others about a potentially threatening situation
- Outdoor sirens and/or public address speakers, located at the Storrs campus and regional campuses, may be sounded as appropriate to alert persons who are not in buildings

### Code Blue Phone Kiosks

In the event of a University-wide emergency, the Code Blue Phone Kiosks across campus may be activated with flashing lights, which may also be accompanied by a voice message stating the type of emergency and indicating possible action.

If a student is in distress, the student can use a Code Blue Phone Kiosk to contact the UConn 911 system directly. UConn’s 911 system goes directly to the UConn Police Department.
### Text Message Alerts

It is strongly recommended that all students, faculty, and staff register cell phone numbers with the University. Only students, staff and faculty can sign up for text messages. The system is to be used primarily for potential, developing, or existing emergencies. In any of these situations, students/staff who have registered will receive a UConn text message alert advising students/staff of the situation and directing them to additional information. Encourage your student to do the following to sign up:

1. Your student should log on to [www.alert.uconn.edu](http://www.alert.uconn.edu)
2. Next, the student should follow the registration link.
3. Have your student log in using their Net ID and password.
4. Have your student enter their cell phone number and provider.

### Sirens

In the event of an emergency, the University may sound the sirens, which may be accompanied by a voice message providing instructions. Should the sirens sound, students and staff need to immediately access [www.alert.uconn.edu](http://www.alert.uconn.edu) for further information and/or instruction.

### Safety Tips

UConn has many services that add to the safety of its student population. Your student should also take precautions in addition to the measures taken by the University. UConn students should:

- Walk with another person during the evening hours in well-lit areas;
- Lock their car at all times;
- Lock their residence hall rooms whenever they are sleeping or not in them. Most burglaries happen because a student left their door unlocked;
- Close a propped residence hall outer door when they encounter it;
- Be aware of suspicious looking people in their residence hall area and notify their Resident Assistant (RA) or the police;
- Report an act of vandalism to the Police Department if your student should witness one;
- Engrave all valuable property. Students should see their residence hall staff or Police Department for more information on engravers;
- Attend programs on safety that are offered in their residence hall or at the University. The Police and Fire Departments put on several programs in the Residence halls during the academic year.
About Res Life

One of the many advantages of going to college is the opportunity to live in residence halls. Residence hall life provides each student with the experience of being integrated into campus life with all its cultural, social, academic, and recreational diversity. UConn has over 12,000 students living on campus in over 110 residence halls. Each of our residential areas is unique and offers a variety of programs and activities to residents. Most of the rooms in the residence halls are designed for two people. There are, however, some quads, triples, and single rooms available on a limited basis (single rooms are not available to new students without medical documentation). The Department of Residential Life is responsible for helping with all aspects of students’ lives while living on campus and addresses the following student needs:

- Assigning students to on-campus housing and providing opportunities to change rooms
- Ensuring that the residence halls are safe, secure, and well-maintained
- Providing varied residential living options
- Providing staff who serve as day-to-day resources for students

Residential Life staff works to develop and foster a community focused on providing a seamless student experience between the classroom and the living environments. We encourage students to get involved in their community and give staff input through participation in area councils and various residential programs and committees.

Housing Assignments

Students who filed the housing application, will receive information in August sent to their UConn e-mail account notifying them of their housing assignment and informing them how to look up roommate information. Included in this information will be the student’s room number, and residence hall assignment. Students can access this information, when available, at the website: www.reslife.uconn.edu.

In addition to the information mentioned above, students can check the Residential Life website to find out their specific check-in time and directions to campus for move-in day. These directions will differ for students depending where they live on campus. We urge you to follow the specific directions to campus that your student is assigned to avoid extremely long waits and lines on move-in day.

On-campus housing is not guaranteed for all of the time that your student will be studying at UConn. All students desiring on-campus housing for the following fall must re-apply every year in January and meet all application deadlines. Information on upcoming deadlines and applications will be sent to your student’s UConn e-mail address. Please help to assure that your student is aware of these deadlines. If the demand for on-campus housing exceeds the available supply, a lottery will be instituted to determine which continuing students will receive housing.

Supervision

The Department of Residential Life provides a support system for students to assist them as they adapt to the new and more demanding environment of living in a residence hall with other students. Resident Assistants (also known as RA’s) who are students themselves, staff the residence halls. These students are trained to help residents understand how the University works, to resolve personal problems and conflicts, to plan time effectively, to develop good study skills, and to live safely and comfortably in the residence hall system. Supervising the student staff is a team of professionals, all of whom have master’s degrees in Counseling, Higher Education Administration, or a related field. The Residence Hall Director supervises and maintains safety and enforces
the rules and regulations within the area. They are also directly responsible for the Resident Assistants.

**Housing Contract**

There is a set of standards that all students living in on-campus housing are expected to observe. Students read and accept The On Campus Housing Contract before completing the housing application. A copy of the contract is available online at www.reslife.uconn.edu/housing_contract_forms.html

**Laundry Facilities**

For students living on campus, all residential areas provide student ID card operated washers and dryers. For commuters, there are a variety of laundry services located in and around the Storrs area.
Alcohol Policy

No student under the age of 21 can possess alcohol on campus at any time. Students should read and educate themselves on the policies in The Student Code (www.community.uconn.edu) and On Campus Housing Contract 2014-2015. It is also a good idea for parents to familiarize themselves with the code as well.

Phone Service

Student telephone services assigns a telephone number to a student when they move into their residence hall room. The student must provide the phone and sign up for an access code. This access code is an individual code that the student uses for long distance calls. This allows a telephone bill to be sent to each student individually, charging only for the calls that student made. Bills can be mailed home if requested. The University urges all students set up their room phone and voice mail even if cell phones are their main mode of communication. The reason for this is so the student can be contacted in case of an emergency and a message can be left. All students should make sure they update their emergency contact person and cell phone number in their Student Administration (Peoplesoft) account.

Husky-One Card

The One Card Office in the Wilbur Cross Building runs the Husky-One Card program. The goal of this program is to enable students to access a variety of services using their Husky-One Card (UConn ID) in conjunction with Husky Bucks. The Husky-One Card serves as identification and gives students entry into dining halls (with a meal plan), the recreational facility, their residence hall and various University events. For added convenience, students can deposit money in their Husky Bucks debit account, which allows them to make purchases using their ID. With Husky Bucks students can buy goods & books at the UConn Co-op, make photocopies or print at the library, buy food in all campus dining halls and coffee shops, and dine at Chuck & Augie’s, an upscale restaurant in the Student Union. For more information, visit the One-Card Office website at www.onecard.uconn.edu.

Meals

The three meal plans offered at UConn are the Ultimate, Value and Custom Plans. Meal plans are based on the semester and active only when school is in session (105 days). Students living off campus or in University apartment complexes can purchase a “community meal plan.” For more information about meal plans access www.dining.uconn.edu. Students can alert their dining hall manager about any special dietary needs. The University offers a variety of different meals, including kosher, vegetarian, vegan and halal. Although the physical arrangements differ from hall to hall, all residences provide access to dining facilities within or adjacent to the building. Resident students or commuters with a meal plan can eat in any dining hall on campus by using their ID.

Mailing Address

Your student's specific mailing address will be provided when they move to campus. Make sure that your student gives you their full address before you leave campus after move-in. Campus address formats can be found at: www.reslife.uconn.edu/mailrooms.html
What to Bring to Campus

All rooms include study desks and chairs, closet/wardrobe, a bed, and mattress for each resident. These furnishings are expected to remain in the room throughout the year. All beds are extra-long (80”X 36”). It is a good idea for your student to check with their roommate(s) to work out who is bringing what so they don't have duplicates like TVs, DVD players, etc. For a more complete listing access the Residential Life website at: www.reslife.uconn.edu

LINENS:
- towels and washcloths
- 2 sets of bed linens (extra long, 80”x36”)
- pillow(s)
- blanket(s) &/or comforter/quilt

PERSONAL ITEMS:
- mug &/or cups
- toothbrush and toothpaste
- brush and/or comb
- shaving items
- hair dryer
- shampoo, conditioner, etc.
- bath soap
- shower/bathroom carry all (for shampoo or soap)
- personal hygiene items
- personal prescriptions
- shower shoes/flip flops
- bathrobe

LAUNDRY/CLOTHING CARE:
- detergent
- fabric softener
- stain remover
- laundry bag/basket.
  * Please keep in mind that some machines are front loaders & need “front loading” detergent

MISCELLANEOUS:
- TV, VCR, and/or DVD player
- munchies
- small refrigerator
- backpack
- trash can
- stereo & CDs
- computer along with original software
- cleaning supplies - residents are responsible for cleaning their own rooms
- power strips (NO extension cords allowed)
- fan (NO ceiling fans allowed)
- telephone (voicemail is provided at no extra cost)
- stackable crates
- storage containers
- camera
- coat hangers
- school supplies: calculator/stamps/pens/pencils/ruler/scissors/stapler
- plants
- calendar
- posters, photos, artwork
- desk lamp or clip-on light
- umbrella
- flashlight
- change for snacks
- nonflammable trash can
- alarm clock
- headache/cold medicine
- first aid supplies/kit
- sewing kit
- rug

We recommend parents & guardians of resident students read the Parent & Family Information Link on the Residential Life website (www.reslife.uconn.edu) for more information about your student living on campus. Violation of the housing contract can result in a student losing on-campus housing.
Residence Life

Items Prohibited in Residence Halls

- Air Conditioners
- Halogen Lamps (i.e., desk, floor table, etc.)
- Hot Plates
- Electric Grills or Skillets (including George Foreman Grills)
- Ceiling Fans
- Homemade lofts
- Electric Heaters
- Toaster Ovens
- Any items with exposed heating elements
- Extension Cords
- Water Beds
- Kerosene Heaters
- Firearms, ammunition, any weapons including, but not limited to knives, hunting bows, guns, BB guns, slingshots, and launching devices
- Fireworks, gunpowder, and other explosive or potentially dangerous objects
- No pets (except Fish - no larger than a 10 gallon tank)
- Drugs, narcotics, harmful materials (Please see The Student Code for details.)
- Cinder blocks
- Candles of any kind

The Front Desk

The Front Desk is a round-the-clock, full-time trouble shooting operation under the Department of Residential Life, designed to respond to students' needs regardless of the time of day. It handles everything from lock outs to faulty heaters or broken windows.

Completely staffed by students, the operation is a call center that students can contact for non-emergency assistance 24 hours a day. If a student locks themselves out of their residence hall room or their room needs maintenance, all they have to do is call the Front Desk.
Parking

The University has two parking garages at Storrs for visitors and university staff. The North garage is located across the street from the Lodewick Visitors Center while the South Garage is located behind the UConn Co-op bookstore and across the street from Gampel Pavilion. During the week, the South Garage is open 24 hours a day and North Garage is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. Weekend hours for the South Garage are 24 hours a day and North Garage is open 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 a.m. If there is a scheduled event on campus, the garage will charge a special rate known as “Event Prepay.” “Event PrePay” varies depending on the athletic event or the performance at Jorgenson Center. Overnight parking in the North garage or commuter lots is not permitted.

Guests can also park in any student lot between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., Monday through Friday and on weekends. Parking in Fire Lanes, Accessible Spaces or Reserved Spaces on campus is strictly prohibited.

The Department of Parking Services suggests that parents call them to inquire about the nearest available parking to their student’s residence hall. They will gladly help parents identify the options.

A parking map along with other parking information can be found at: www.park.uconn.edu. If you do not have access to this website or have parking related issues that you would like to discuss, call the Department of Parking Services at (860) 486-4930, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and a member of their management team will assist you.

In order to qualify for a parking permit at UConn, resident students must have earned a minimum of 54 credits. There is no credit requirement for commuter students.
While most students walk to classes, UConn does have an extensive shuttle bus system. Shuttle buses run from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday-Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Friday, 11:00 a.m to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and from 6:00 p.m to 12:00 a.m. on Sunday. Bus schedules and routes are subject to change and students should visit www.transpo.uconn.edu to obtain a schedule and check out the new GPS tracking system that provides live updates of the location of all shuttles at the Storrs Campus.

Some students choose to ride bikes to classes (racks are available). In addition, as parking areas are basically on the outskirts of campus driving a car from class to class is not possible. Upperclass or commuter students with cars park in designated parking areas and walk or take the shuttle bus to class.

Public transportation is available to take students off campus. To travel to neighboring Willimantic, CT students can take the WRTD Storrs-Willimantic bus for free upon showing their UConn I.D. Students should go to www.wrtd.net/ to find out more about bus routes and times. Students can also access bus schedules by calling Bonanza and Peter Pan (888) 751-8800 or Megabus (877) 462-6342 directly or by calling the UConn Co-op Bookstore (860) 486-3537. Bonanza, Peter Pan, and Megabus Bus Lines provide service between the University and major cities such as Hartford, Boston, and New York. For information concerning Amtrak service to Hartford, call (800) 872-7245.

Hertz On-Demand

The university has recently added the Hertz On-Demand car-sharing program at the Storrs campus. The program features 180 free rental miles per day, which includes 24-hour roadside assistance, insurance, Bluetooth and iPod capabilities and gas, for a small hourly fee for borrowing the vehicles. The program has four vehicles on campus available for student use, if they are 18 years old or over and have a valid drivers license. To find out more students should go to: www.hertzondemand.com/Uconn.
Airport/Union Station Shuttle Service

Transportation Services offers a “reservation required” shuttle that will take faculty, staff, students, and student’s immediate family members to Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks, CT; Union Station in Hartford, CT; and the New London Ferry, in New London, CT.

Both the Bradley Airport Shuttle and the Union Station Shuttle operate throughout the year. Reservations for these services should be made at least ONE WEEK in advance, unless it is an emergency. Short-notice emergency requests can often be accommodated, but it is important to try to avoid such requests. Since the New London Ferry Shuttle runs in the opposite direction, reservations should be made at least TWO WEEKS in advance.

All pick-ups and drop-offs take place on the Storrs Campus (including the Nathan Hale Inn) or at an apartment complex they currently service with our bus and AVS services. The service will not pick-up or drop-off at individual homes or other motels/hotels off-campus.

• Cost is $50 one-way
• $100 round-trip, per person.
• Payment must be made prior to the services being rendered.
• Payments must be hand-carried or mailed to Transportation Services and must be in the form of either cash or check. Please do not mail cash. Credit cards are not accepted as forms of payment.

Scheduling of the Bradley Airport, Union Station, and New London Ferry shuttles should take place between the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday by calling (860) 486-6902 or online at transpo.uconn.edu/#shuttleAirport

Off-Campus Student Services

Off-Campus Student Services (OCSS) offers resources and advocacy for UConn Students’ off-campus living and/or commuter experience.

The OCSS website, www.offcampus.uconn.edu is a centralized source of information and resources for students who do not reside on-campus. Topics include:
• Rights & Responsibilities
• Leasing/Renting
• Health & Safety
• Trash & Recycling
• Parking & Transportation
• Personal Budgeting
• Student Life & Activities
• Community Information
• General Commuter Resources

OCSS offers many programs and services throughout the academic year such as:
• Commuter Student Association (Student Organization Advisor)
• Commuter Appreciation Weeks
• Off-Campus Community Leaders Program
• Off-Campus Housing Fair
• Off-Campus Life Seminars
• Landlord Information Sharing
• Individual Consultation

The Office of Off-Campus Student Services is located in Wilbur Cross Rm. 203 within the Office of Student Services and Advocacy/Dean of Students Office. If you have questions or concerns, feel free to contact them at (860) 486-3426.

For more information visit www.offcampus.uconn.edu
General Information

Helpful Phone Numbers
(All numbers have an 860 Area Code)

Freshmen and Transfer Admissions  486-3137
Athletics:
  Husky Hotline (scores & information)  486-5050
  Recreation and Intramurals  486-2837
  Ticket Info  486-2724
Benton Museum of Art  486-4520
Bookstore (UConn Co-Op)  486-3537
Connecticut Repertory Theatre  486-4226
Center for Career Development  486-3013
Center for Students with Disabilities  486-2020
Chuck & Augies (Restaurant in Student Union)  486-5633
Counseling & Mental Health Services  486-4705
Counseling Program for
  Intercollegiate Athletes (CPIA)  486-5515
Cultural Centers (Located in the Student Union):
  H. Fred Simons African American
    Cultural Center  486-3433
  Asian American Cultural Center  486-0830
  International Center (Located in McMahon)  486-3855
  Puerto Rican-Latin American
    Cultural Center  486-1135
    Rainbow Center  486-5821
    Women’s Center  486-4738
Dean of Students Office (OSSA)  486-3426
Dining Services  486-3128
Fee Bills (Bursar’s Office):
  Payments  486-4830
  Financial Aid Services - Aid and Scholarships  486-2819
    Student Employment  486-3474
First Year Experience & Learning Communities  486-3378
Fraternity & Sorority Life  486-4710
Health Services, Student  486-4700
Honors Program  486-4223
Housing Assignments - Residential Life  486-2926
Husky Bucks Office (OneCard Office)  486-3129
ID Card Office (aka OneCard Office)  486-3129
Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts  486-4226
Library, Homer Baggidge  486-2518
Math Help (Q Center)  486-1961
Nathan Hale Inn & Conference Center  427-7888

Off-Campus Student Services  486-3426
Operator, UConn  486-2000
Orientation Services  486-4866
Parents Association  486-4866
Parking Services  486-4930
Public Safety:
  UConn Police  486-4800
  Husky Rides  486-4809
UConn Schools and Colleges
  Academic Center for
    Exploratory Students (ACES)  486-1788
  Agriculture & Natural
    Resources-Advisory Center  486-2919
  Business  486-2315
  Education - Upper Division Only  486-3816
  Engineering  486-5466
  Fine Arts  486-3016
  Liberal Arts and Sciences  486-2822
  Nursing  486-1968
  Pharmacy - Professional Program Only  486-2216
  Ratcliffe Hicks - School of
    Agriculture (2 year program)  486-2919
Shuttle Buses (Transportation)  486-1448
Student Activities (Clubs)  486-8151
Student Support Services Program (SSS)  486-4040
Study Abroad Programs  486-5954
Summer & Winter Sessions  486-3331
UConn Co-op  486-3537
Veterans Affairs  486-2442
Visitors Center, Lodewick  486-4900
Writing Center
  (Help for students writing papers)  486-4387

The University of Connecticut policy prohibits discrimination in education, employment, and in the provision of services on account of race, ethnicity, religion, sex, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, disabled veteran status, physical or mental disability, learning disability, mental retardation, other specifically covered mental disabilities, and criminal records that are not job related.
Some UConn Web Sites

Activities, Campus  http://www.studentactivities.uconn.edu
Alumni Association  http://www.uconnalumni.com
Athletics  http://www.uconnhuskies.com
Bookstore, UConn Co-op  http://www.bookstore.uconn.edu
Bursar  http://www.bursar.uconn.edu
Calendar, Academic  http://registrar.uconn.edu/calendar.htm
Catalog, Paperless  http://www.catalog.uconn.edu
Center for Students with Disabilities  http://www.csd.uconn.edu
Dean of Students (OSSA)  http://www.dos.uconn.edu
Conn. Repertory Theatre  http://www.crt.uconn.edu
Counseling & Mental Health Services  http://www.counseling.uconn.edu
Cultural Events & Centers  http://uconn.edu/attractions.php
Dining Services  http://www.dining.uconn.edu
Family Weekend  http://www.familyweekend.uconn.edu
Financial Aid Services  http://www.financialaid.uconn.edu
First Year Experience  http://www.fye.uconn.edu
Husky WOW website  http://www.huskywow.uconn.edu
Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts  http://www.jorgensen.uconn.edu
Learning Communities  http://www.learningcommunities.uconn.edu
Map of Campus  http://www.uconn.edu/pdf/wholemap.pdf
New Students  http://www.orientation.uconn.edu
News  http://www.today.uconn.edu
Off-Campus Student Services  http://www.offcampus.uconn.edu
Parking & Transportation  http://www.park.uconn.edu
Parents Association  http://www.parents.uconn.edu
Police Department  http://www.police.uconn.edu
Recreational Services  http://www.recreation.uconn.edu
Registrar  http://www.registrar.uconn.edu
Residential Life  http://www.reslife.uconn.edu
Student Health Services  http://www.shs.uconn.edu
Student Web Page  http://www.go.uconn.edu
Telephone (UConnect)  http://www.telecom.uconn.edu
Tickets to Athletic Events  http://www.uconnhuskies.com
UConn Web Page  http://www.uconn.edu
General Information

UConn-isms

**Add/Drop** - the time when students attempt to add or drop classes

**Advisor** – may be a faculty member or a full-time administrative employee of the University who serves as a resource for students in planning a meaningful academic schedule

**Area Councils** – a governing body of students for a specific group of residence halls on campus

**Credit** – unit of value assigned to a course; if a four-year program consists of a total of 120 credits, then a typical semester would represent one-eighth of the total program, or 15 credits; the University requires all students to complete at least 120 credits toward the degree and some schools require more than 120 degree credits

**Daily Campus** - UConn’s student newspaper, available every weekday morning around campus

**DGPA** – Division Grade Point Average; shows either the lower (first two years) or upper (last two years) division GPA; see also GPA, SGPA, and TGPA

**Elective** – course that a student enrolls in outside of their major, minor or core curriculum requirements

**Family Weekend** - A fun filled weekend of events for UConn families and students. Family Weekend occurs in early fall

**Flex Passes** - used to bring a guest in the dining hall or to take out food at the grab & go locations. Not valid at the coffee shops

**Freshman 15** – “estimated” amount of weight new students gain or lose during their first semester at college

**Full-time student** – student enrolled in 12 credits or more each semester

**GPA** – Grade Point Average; shows students how well, between a scale of 4.0 (A) and a 0.0 (F), they are doing at UConn; see also DGPA, SGPA, and TGPA

**Horticulture Show** – agricultural event held during Family Weekend in which the Ratcliffe Hicks arena is turned into a display of autumn foliage wonders created by UConn students

**Husky Bucks** - is a debit account that can be accessed using the Husky-One Card (UConn I.D). Husky Bucks can be used at several locations on campus including the UConn Co-op, on-campus coffee shops and grab & go’s. It makes the UConn I.D. a convenient cashless tool. A student can sign up for Husky Bucks at: onecard.uconn.edu

**HuskyCT** - an internet class management tool

**Husky Fight Song** – you will hear this at football, basketball games and more to cheer our Huskies on to victory

**Husky WOW** - UConn’s Week of Welcome for new and continuing students. Occurs at the beginning of the academic year in late August. During this time there are several activities planned for new students including a convocation, new student picnic, and School/College Dean’s meeting. WOW is a UConn tradition

**ID Card** – necessary computerized form of identification enabling a student access to dining halls, Health Services, the Student Rec Facility, the Library and more

**Lower Division Student** – designation for students that have earned less than 60 credits

**Major**- field of study a student selects to emphasize in his/her academic work; a substantial amount of the student’s academic work will be in this area

**Mirror Lake** – larger man-made lake on campus adjacent to Route 195; has its own small island and serves as a temporary home to several hundred ducks and Canadian geese

**NetID** - This is a student ID that consists of letters and numbers. This is the student’s University internet ID which is used to access the student’s UConn e-mail address, to apply for on-campus housing and to use with HuskyCT, a class management tool

**Nutmeg** – name of the undergraduate yearbook

**One-Card** - Also known as the Student I.D. card. This card is used for several different purposes including access into the dining halls, as a Library Card, and as a debit card if Husky Bucks are put on it

**One Ton Sundae** – SUBOG special event during Winter Weekend when a ton of various flavors of UConn Dairy Bar ice cream is turned into a giant hot-fudge sundae with the works for the whole campus to enjoy

**Oozeball** – a not to be missed annual mud volleyball tournament during Spring Semester sponsored by the Student Alumni Association

**Parents Association** - an Association that the parents of all UConn undergraduates are automatically members of. There is no fee to join because the Association is supported by the UConn Foundation
**Prerequisite** - implies a progression from less advanced to more advanced study in a field; students must satisfy the prerequisite(s) before registering for the course, unless exempted by the instructor; prerequisites taken out of sequence within a single department shall not count towards degree credit unless the head of the department offering the course grants an exception.

**Points** - used at Dining locations that do not allow a meal swipe; the coffee shops, Chuck & Augie’s (after 2pm) and Grab & Go locations.

**Registration** – period of time when a student selects and signs up for the courses they intend to take in the next academic semester and consults first with their advisor.

**Resident Assistant (RA)** – student staff who are trained to help residents understand how the University works, to resolve personal problems and conflicts, to plan time effectively, to develop good study skills, and to live safely and comfortably in the residence hall system.

**Residence Halls** – provide educational opportunities and services that complement, supplement and support the academic mission of the University in its efforts to educate the whole student.

**SGPA** – Semester Grade Point Average; given each semester to show a student how well they did that semester; see also DGPA, TGPA, and GPA.

**Student Administration System** - Also called “Student Admin System” and “PeopleSoft.” UConn’s computer student administration system. Currently, students register for classes using this system, check their fee bill, financial aid package, fill out the FERPA waiver and waive out of the mandatory health insurance fee. Students access this system with their NetID.

**Student ID Number** - Since the University no longer uses social security numbers as an identifier, this 7-digit student ID is used. This is a unique identifier for each student.

**Study Abroad** – an opportunity to take advantage of academics in one of the many countries offered.

**SUBLEG – Student Union Board of Governors**; one of the largest student represented programming organizations on campus.

**Swan Lake** – smaller man made lake near the Chemistry building that is home to a few duck families and is also a favorite campus study spot on warm, sunny days.

**Syllabus** – a professor’s course outline given to students on the first day telling when assignments, readings and projects need to be completed; may also include grading system, attendance policy, brief course description, and office hours.

**Teaching Assistant (TA)** - a graduate student who may supervise lab sections and discussions for a class.

**TGPA** – Total Grade Point Average; shows the combined GPA of all classes taken at UConn; see also DGPA, GPA, and SGPA.

**UCTV** – UConn’s student-run television station.

**Upper Division Student** – designation for students that have earned 60 or more credits.

**USG** – Undergraduate Student Government; officially recognized UConn student government.

**WHUS** – campus radio station 97.1 FM, “The Sound Alternative.”

**WOW** - UConn’s Week of Welcome. See Husky WOW above.
General Information

Parent & Guardian Tips

1. If possible, plan a campus visit, football game, or a day at Storrs with your student. Take your student and their friends for a meal or an outing. You will not believe how many friends your student has when a free meal is involved especially at the end of the semester when money is low.

2. Never show up on campus unannounced!

3. Send lots of mail, especially in the beginning of the year. No matter how many times you phone, e-mail or text, your student truly wants to have a tangible piece of paper. Your student will be thrilled to receive something fun once in a while.

4. Regularly check out the student webpage www.go.uconn.edu to find out what is going on around the campus.

5. During the semester, send a food item that your student loves. If your student comes home on the weekend, send them back to campus with leftovers.

6. If your student lives in an apartment, plan to cook a favorite dinner once or twice a year for your student and their friends. You will not believe the appreciation you receive and the love they feel.

7. For the holidays when your student is away from you, send something appropriate (i.e., plastic pumpkins filled with Halloween candy). They love the traditions whether they are home or not.

8. Discuss financial management with your student before they start at UConn.

9. Discuss the topic of underage drinking and its implications with your student.

10. If you attend football games, plan to tailgate. Bring homecooking, enough for an army.

11. Remember that you have limited control over your student. Have patience. Trust your student to make the right decisions.

12. Treat your student as an adult and let them make the decisions that deal with their college life. It is going to be so easy for you to want to take charge, but pull back. Your student will develop and grow by making their own decisions, dealing with the consequences of them eventually becoming an independent adult, which is a goal of our institution.

13. Remember parental guidance does not mean trying to control your students decisions or actions away from home. Keep criticism to yourself, and you will be able to keep the lines of communication open.

14. Encourage your student to foster a good rapport with their academic advisor and to continue to seek their advice throughout their academic career. As a student becomes more confident they tend to think they know everything. Mistakes can prove costly in terms of expense and possibly delayed graduation.

15. Make sure your health insurance carrier will cover your child out of state.
parents.uconn.edu.

16. Obtain an academic calendar every year to help you keep up with important dates. The UConn Parents Association always has one in their newsletter “Parent Talk.” The Registrar’s Office has a five year academic calendar available at www.registrar.uconn.edu.

17. Persuade your student to develop a network of peers, administrators, faculty and staff they can count on for advice and guidance.

18. Make sure your student updates any address changes in the Student Administration System.

19. If your student begins to get into academic trouble refer your student to the First Year Programs Office early on at 860-486-3378.

20. Students who get involved on campus have greater academic success than students who only study. UConn has more than 500 clubs and organizations. Encourage your student to explore what is available and don’t believe the “there’s nothing to do at UConn” line.

21. Don’t be upset if you do not hear from your student during the first week of classes. Rather, be pleased that they are fitting in so well, having a good time and they are keeping busy.
Surprise Your Student for a Special Occasion

If you need a gift to celebrate your student's birthday, accomplishment, or other special occasion try ordering it from these local merchants on or around the Storrs campus. All vendors listed here are either located within walking distance of the UConn Storrs campus or can deliver to your student. It is indicated below if the establishment delivers or students must pick the gift up.

**UConn Dairy Bar (Pick-up only)**

*Hours:* January & February 11am-5pm; March 11am-6pm; April & May 11am-7pm; June-August 11am-10pm; September-December Sunday-Thursday 11am-7pm and Friday-Saturday 11am-10pm

A UConn Dairy Bar custom ice cream cake would make a great gift for your student on their birthday. You can see sample photos of custom cake creations if you visit [http://www.dairybar.uconn.edu/](http://www.dairybar.uconn.edu/).

To place an order for a custom cake call (860) 486-2634 or (860) 486-1021 at least 48 hours in advance. Please note that the UConn Dairy Bar does not accept emailed orders.

**UConn Dining Services (Pick-up only)**

*Hours:* Monday-Friday 7:30am-7:15pm

The Department of Dining Services operates an in-house bakery called “Not Just Desserts.” Birthday cakes and 10-inch chocolate chip cookies can be decorated with a special message of your choice. Orders will be sent to the dining hall of convenience and students will receive a call notifying them that there is an item to be picked up. Orders should be placed at least one week in advance.

For details, prices, and payment options visit the bakery website at [http://www.dining.uconn.edu/bakery.html](http://www.dining.uconn.edu/bakery.html) To place a cake order call (860) 486-3128.

**Insomnia Cookies (Pick-up and Delivery)**

*Hours:* Monday-Friday 1:00pm-3:00am

*Delivery Hours:* Monday-Friday 6:00pm-2:45am

New to Storrs, Insomnia Cookies delivers warm cookies, milk, and other treats to your student until 3:00 a.m. Late night cookies are a favorite of students as they are studying hard or hanging out with friends. You can get them a gift card or even a custom cookie cake.

For information about delivery, gift cards, and menu items visit [uconn.insomniacookies.com](http://uconn.insomniacookies.com).
Sweet Emotions Candy (Pick-up and Delivery)
Hours: Monday-Thursday 10am-10pm, Friday-Saturday 10am-1am, Sunday 12pm-6pm
Located in the new Storrs Center, Sweet Emotions Candy can deliver candy gift baskets to your students. Sweet Emotions offers a variety of gift baskets that are themed around midterms, final exams, and birthdays, among other occasions. To place an order from Sweet Emotions Candy visit sweetemotionscandy.com or call (860) 230-5196.

Edible Arrangements-Willimantic, CT (Delivery)
Hours: Monday-Friday 8am-1pm, Saturday 8am-5pm, Sunday 10am-3pm
Locally located in Willimantic, CT, Edible Arrangements can deliver one of their famous fruit arrangements to your student. Birthday, congratulations, and good luck arrangements are just a few of those offered. To order an Edible Arrangement for your student go to ediblearrangements.com or call (860) 423-2444.

UConn Blooms (Pick-up only)
Hours: Monday-Friday 10:30am-5pm
Located on campus, UConn Blooms offers floral arrangements to help you celebrate your student’s special day. To order call (860) 486-6000 or visit uconnblooms.uconn.edu

The Flower Pot (Pick-up and Delivery)
Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-6pm, Saturday 9am-3pm
The Flower Pot recently opened in Storrs Center. They offer a variety of floral arrangements and gifts for special occasions. For more specific information please visit their website http://www.storrsflowerpot.com/ or call them at 860-429-2299.

Husky Bucks-UConn One Card Office (On-Campus)
Hours: Monday-Friday 8am-5pm
Husky Bucks are a debit account-like program on your student’s Husky One Card. Husky Bucks can be used to make purchases at various on-campus and local locations including the UConn Dairy Bar, Jorgensen Theater, Dunkin Donuts, Subway, and more. Husky Bucks make a great gift for your student. To give your student Husky Bucks you can send electronic checks from your bank’s online bill pay system or use the credit card deposit website ($2 convenience fee will be charged per deposit). Visit onecard.uconn.edu for more information.
General Information

Storrs Center

Located just steps from the University of Connecticut Storrs campus, Storrs Center, provides a vibrant downtown environment to the campus and local community year round.

During your next visit to campus to see your student, take a walk to Storrs Center to visit the numerous cafes, restaurants, and shops. Located at the One Dog Lane section of Storrs Center, Moe’s Southwest Grill, 7-Eleven, Froyoworld, Dog Lane Cafe, Subway, Insomnia Cookies and Mooyah Burgers & Fries are already becoming popular destinations for students and visitors to the area. Adjacent to One Dog Lane, the Nine Dog Lane section of Storrs Center features Geno’s Grille, The Flower Pot, Body Language, Travel Planners, Skora’s Barber Styling Shop, Bank of American ATM, Select Physical Therapy, Husky Pizza, and Sweet Emotions Candy shop. Storrs Automotive is also open and serving customers with car needs. 1 Royce Ciricle is now home to the new bookstore and the Ballard Institute, as well as many others!

Storrs Center has a number of parking options for visitors. The Storrs Center parking garage is free for the first two hours, and only one dollar per hour after that. Visitors can also park in the Dog Lane lot across the street from the garage. The Dog Lane parking lot has a two hour limit. For a quick visit, 30 minute on-street parking is available.

From restaurants, convenient services, flowers to candy, Storrs Center offers the perfect place for you to spend time with your student when you visit campus. Additional businesses, shops, and restaurants are still being added to this new and exciting downtown. For the most up-to-date information on new businesses opening at Storrs Center please visit www.storrscenter.com.