



At a Glance

Established in 1881

Statutory Authority: Chapter 185b, General

Statutes Flagship campus in Storrs, CT 06269

Operating Expenditures Budget Fiscal Year 2025

At the Main and Regional Campuses: \$1,732 million

At UConn Health: \$1,701.6 million

Organizational Structure: Public State University

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Number of Full-Time & Part-Time Faculty & Staff: 11,011

	Main Campus/Regional	UConn Health
Full-Time & Part-Time Faculty & Staff	5,422	5,589
Full-Time Faculty & Staff	5,241 (97%)	4,333 (78%)
Part-Time Faculty & Staff ¹	181 (3%)	1,256 (22%)
Full-Time Faculty	1,695	632
Tenured & Tenure Track	1,144 (67%)	190 (30%)
Non-Tenure Track	551 (33%)	442 (70%)
Full-Time Staff	3,546	3,701
Full-Time & Part-Time Faculty		
Female	48%	48%
Minority	25%	40%
Full-Time & Part-Time Staff		
Female	58%	78%
Minority	17%	32%

¹ An additional 709 adjunct lecturers teach at least one course at Storrs and regional campuses.

Faculty & Staff Covered by Collective Bargaining Agreements

Main Campus & Regional Campuses	92%
UConn Health	88%

Mission

Founded in 1881, the University of Connecticut serves as the flagship for public higher education and the primary doctoral degree granting public institution in the state. The University of Connecticut is dedicated to excellence demonstrated through national and international recognition. As Connecticut's public research university, through freedom of academic inquiry and expression, we create and disseminate knowledge by means of scholarly and creative achievements, graduate and professional education, and outreach. Through our focus on teaching and learning, the University helps every student grow intellectually and become a contributing member of the state, national, and world communities. Through research, teaching, service, and outreach, we embrace diversity and cultivate leadership, integrity, and engaged citizenship in our students, faculty, staff, and alumni. As our state's flagship public university, and as a land and sea grant institution, we promote the health and well-being of Connecticut's citizens through enhancing the social, economic, cultural, and natural environments of the state and beyond.

Statutory Responsibility

The General Statutes of the State of Connecticut and the Morrill Act adopted by the United States Congress have charged the University of Connecticut with the responsibility for the education of Connecticut youth in scientific and classical studies, agriculture and mechanic arts, and liberal and practical education. General Statutes give the University authority for programs leading to a wide variety of doctoral degrees and post-baccalaureate professional degrees. The University's constitutional mandate, "excellence in higher education," is accomplished in its traditional triad of academic responsibilities: teaching, research, and service (including outreach and public engagement).

Achievements

The University's Economic Impact

UConn contributes more than \$8.4 billion to Connecticut's economy every year.

That includes more than 48,575 private and public sector jobs

For every dollar spent by UConn, \$1.76 in economic output is generated elsewhere in Connecticut

UConn creates new businesses, jobs, and economic growth, strengthening Connecticut industry.

UConn generates more than \$429 million in state tax revenue through its labor force and the industries it affects.

Industry leaders including Pratt & Whitney, Comcast, Eversource, UTC, and many more have invested nearly \$100 million in UConn in areas such as materials science, advanced manufacturing, big data, computer security, and other fields.

Nearly 800 U.S. patents have been granted based on UConn innovations, with more than 25 issued in FY 2024. For the first time, UConn was ranked among the top 100 universities in the nation for patent issuances by the National Academy of Inventors (NAI).

More than \$1.4 billion has been raised by UConn TIP incubator companies since 2003. In FY24, there were 9 new faculty startups, with nearly \$10 million raised in startup funding.

In FY25, the Innovation Partnership Building at UConn Tech Park reached a cumulative \$300 million in research partnerships.

UConn improves and strengthens Connecticut cities and towns.

UConn has vibrant campuses in Farmington, Groton, Hartford, Waterbury, Stamford and Storrs, with thousands of students, faculty, and staff generating millions in economic activity. The four regional campuses together support roughly 2,650 jobs and produce nearly \$460 million in economic output.

Investment in Research

In the 2024-25 fiscal year, the research enterprise at UConn and UConn Health recorded \$368 million in sponsored program awards, an increase of roughly \$46 million over the previous year, and more than \$70 million compared to FY18. UConn's research funding exceeds many of its peer R1 institutions in the Northeast, including all flagship public universities in New England, Stony Brook, Syracuse, Tufts, and more.

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) currently supports more than \$130 million in annual research at UConn and UConn Health, with faculty projects including those developing treatments for cancer, obesity, and Alzheimer's disease; Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) technology for the early diagnosis of heart disease, cancer, and chronic kidney disease; muscle and bone regeneration; suicide risk identification; prevention of emerging tickborne diseases; and many others.

UConn researchers regularly lend their expertise and commentary to noted publications including National Geographic, the New York Times and the Washington Post in addition to peer-reviewed journals and scholarly publications.

UConn hosts more than 80 world-class research centers and institutes – performing cutting-edge research in areas including brain and cognitive sciences, materials science, clean energy, aging, and cyber security.

Investment in Community

In October 2024, a multi-disciplinary team of researchers at UConn have received a five-year \$10 million grant from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to lead a New England regional center focused on environmental justice.

UConn Husky Nutrition and Sport, which provides programs focused on nutrition and physical activity education to people eligible for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistant Program (SNAP-Ed), won a \$4.9 million federal grant in November 2024 that will fund it for the next three years.

In January 2025, UConn Stamford and UConn's Neag School of Education received \$2.8 million from the U.S. Department of Education to recruit, support, and mentor Hispanic and under-resourced students in Connecticut to pursue a master's degree in education.

The UConn School of Social Work was the only college in Connecticut in 2025 to land a nearly \$600,000 training grant from the federal Mental Health Service Professionals Demonstration Program to help several of the most under-resourced school districts in the state. The grant is part of the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, and will support four diverse, high-need local educational areas: Hartford Public Schools, New Britain Consolidated School District, Vernon Public Schools, and Waterbury Public Schools, which serve a combined total of 50,000 students.

Carla (Salomonsen) Klein '72 donated \$250,000 to the Neag School of Education to help fund the new Licensed Professional Counselor program, an online summer graduate program that gives counselors more training and the opportunity to earn a certificate to advance in their careers in K-12 schools in Connecticut.

In Fall 2024, UConn Waterbury launched the Walkbury initiative, sponsoring multiple food and cultural tours in partnership with Waterbury Regional Chamber's Main Street Waterbury that brought the UConn community directly into the heart of downtown Waterbury.

In March 2025, more than 200 UConn student volunteers joined teams of medical, dental, and vision care providers as the University's Medical Clinic Club, in partnership with the nonprofit Remote Area Medical, took over Windham Middle School in Willimantic to offer a free pop-up health care clinic to area residents.

Five students from the UConn School of Business designed a visitor data analytics program for the Harriet Beecher Stowe Center in Hartford, the first such program in the Center's history.

UConn's Institute for Collaboration on Health, Intervention, and Policy (InCHIP) sponsored the Moving Beyond Implications policy conference for the General Assembly in January 2025 to connect lawmakers with subject matter experts, and saw over 200 participants attend.

UConn students worked in 10 health districts across the state on efforts to address the opioid crisis in Connecticut, as part of the University's Adopt a Health District program.

A UConn Extension team began a project to expand urban agriculture in Bridgeport, Waterbury, Hartford, New Haven, and Stamford through a new project focusing on vacant lot activation and peri-urban farmland access linking.

Associate Director of Africana Studies Fiona Vernal launched a pilot program with Connecticut Humanities and the Connecticut State Historical Society to promote oral history collection in towns and cities, with 6 different towns participating in the initial program: Hartford, Enfield, Bloomfield, Windsor, Darien, and Essex.

The School of Social Work graduated the first cohort of students to participate in the Connecticut ¡Adelante! program, which addresses the critical need for social workers fluent in Spanish.

UConn Extension has developed new resources, including two innovative apps focusing on crop insurance and market pricing, that provide real-time support for Connecticut farmers. A new online farm risk management course also offers comprehensive strategies to help farmers safeguard their operations and build resilience in an ever-changing industry.

HuskyTHON, the annual dance marathon that is New England's largest student-run philanthropy effort, raised over \$2.1 million to benefit Connecticut Children's Medical.

Investment in Facilities

Dedicated Nursing Building

Following the October 2023 gift of \$40 million by Elisabeth DeLuca '69, the University is in the process of building its first state-of-the-art facility dedicated to the School of Nursing. The 90,000-square-foot building will include a lecture hall and classrooms; a human behavioral research lab; a wet lab; a suite of simulation labs; a student academic center; and offices and support spaces. Ground was broken in October 2024 and construction is scheduled to be substantially completed by Fall 2026.

Regional Campus Student Housing

The University will offer housing in Hartford a year ahead of its original planned schedule, with 57 beds becoming available in Fall 2025 at The Donaghue on Main Street, just minutes from UConn Hartford. About 200 beds are expected to become available in Fall 2026 following renovations to a Pratt Street property already under way. In June, The Hartford gave \$500,000 to the UConn Foundation for student housing scholarships for the new residential properties.

Investment in Entrepreneurship

Through initiatives like the Werth Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation, the Connecticut Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation, the Entrepreneurship Boot Camp for Veterans, and the Boucher Department of Management and Entrepreneurship, UConn supports more than 70 startup companies which combined have nearly \$200 million in funding; more than 1,100 entrepreneurs and 950 ventures; and more than \$60 million raised in follow-on funding.

For the first time, UConn was ranked among the top 100 American universities for patent issuances by the National Academy of Inventors.

Retired faculty member Matthew Mashikian donated \$1 million to create the Matthew & Margarethe Mashikian Innovation & Entrepreneurship Hub in the College of Engineering.

More than 450 students participated in the new NetWerx program through the Werth Institute, connecting with more than 250 alumni mentors in private industry.

Alumna Hayley Segar, who launched her own swimwear company with the help of UConn's Summer Fellowship Accelerator for entrepreneurs, competed on the hit ABC show "Shark Tank," and left with business deals with two of the judges.

The first cohort to participate in the First-Year Women Werth Innovators program graduated in May 2024, with multiple businesses launched before graduation.

Cheeses produced by the UConn Creamery with milk from UConn's dairy herd were lauded with national and regional awards: UConn's artisanal 1881 Reserve was awarded First Place in the American Originals – Monterey Jack category in the 2024 American Cheese Society Annual Judging and Competition. The cheese also received a bronze medal in the same class at the Big E Cheese Competition. The Creamery's Storrs Original Farmstead Jack also won bronze at the Big E competition while the Old Farm Lane Fresh Cheese won silver, and the Green Chile Old Farm Lane Fresh Cheese took home the gold with a near-perfect rating of 99 out of 100.

Courtside Cooler, a student-created beer made by Manchester's Urban Lodge Brewing, debuted in May 2025.

Investment in Arts and Culture

The School of Fine Arts strengthened its reputation as a regional hub for dynamic art and culture with performances, exhibitions, and programs that extended far beyond the boundaries of campus into communities around the state.

Among the highlights of the year were the awarding of a prestigious Guggenheim Fellowship to Professor of Puppet Arts Matthew Isaac Cohen; the debut of a new Steinway piano at a concert in January 2025, which puts UConn 75% of the way to becoming an All-Steinway School; the expansion of the award-winning Feel Your Best Self program into more than 200 high schools throughout the Northeast; a performance by the UConn Marching Band during halftime at an Oct. 13 game in Foxborough between the New England Patriots and Houston Texans; the winning of three regional Emmy awards for UConn Stamford students who created short-subject documentaries in association with Connecticut Public Media; and the hosting at UConn Avery Point of more than 150 scholars from around the world for the 14th International Melville Society Conference in June 2025, which included a collaborative art exhibition with Mystic Seaport Museum.

Investment in the Future

Nine out of 10 members of the Class of 2024 had, within six months of graduating, either begun full-time employment, started graduate school, or entered military service, matching the highest percentage of favorable post-graduation outcomes since the University began tallying them in 2016. About 76% of Connecticut natives who graduated from UConn stayed in the state for jobs, up 7 percentage points from just two years earlier.

UConn's most recent cohort of graduates earned annual starting salaries of nearly \$65,000 on average – up about \$5,200 from the previous year – with some exceeding \$80,000 in high-demand fields such as nursing and computer science.

Of UConn's approximately 287,244 living alumni, roughly 158,744 live in Connecticut, forming a critical mass of skilled professionals across multiple industries.

In FY25, UConn allocated more than \$320 million in student financial aid, significantly lessening the burden of tuition and fees for families. That figure is an increase of nearly \$40 million from the FY24 financial aid number. The University has budgeted for an increase of 10.6% in financial aid for FY26. State law requires UConn to set aside 15% for tuition revenue for need-based aid, but UConn voluntarily exceeds this each year.

Almost 70% of UConn students receive gift aid in the form of grants and scholarships they do not have to repay.

The Flagship Campus

More than 62,000 high school students applied to join UConn's Class of 2029, an all-time high. The figure is an increase of more than 500% since 1996, when the UConn 2000 program began. Applications came from all 169 towns in Connecticut, and roughly 70% of the undergraduate student body consists of Connecticut residents. The continually strong application trends at UConn defy state and national demographic trends, in which the number of school-aged teens has been decreasing and many institutions have struggled with declines in applications. First-year student applications to Storrs have increased 27% in just the past two years, and 70% in that same time to the campuses in Hartford, Stamford, Avery Point, and Waterbury.

Storrs First-Year Students

Approximately 4,715 new students joined the Class of 2029 at Storrs, along with about 1,850 first-year students joining the regional campuses in Avery Point, Hartford, Stamford, and Waterbury – the largest entering class in UConn history. The total number of undergraduates at all campuses in the current fiscal year is about 25,500, with more than 20,500 at Storrs. They'll be joined by roughly 760 new students transferring to Storrs from other institutions, along with about 200 transfer students enrolling at regional

campuses.

Among UConn's Class of 2028, about 36% of students are the first generation in their families to attend college and 167 led their high school graduating classes as valedictorians or salutatorians, up from 148 the previous year.

The highly talented incoming class also includes 602 first-year students whose achievements earned them a spot in the highly competitive Honors Program.

First-year students from Connecticut come from 162 of the state's 169 towns and cities, with the overall UConn student body comprising almost 70% from in-state. The first-time students joining UConn from elsewhere this year originate from 41 states and 81 countries.

Of the approximately 4,715 new first-year students expected to enroll at Storrs for the Class of 2029, there will be notable areas of growth in nursing, fine arts, and several other disciplines along with the traditionally high numbers in business, engineering, and liberal arts fields.

Regional First-Year Students

Roughly 2,000 first-year students will join the Class of 2029 at UConn's regional campuses. They will be joined by some 200 transfer students at the campuses in Avery Point, Hartford, Stamford, and Waterbury. In addition, some 470 students live in residential facilities at UConn Stamford and 57 at UConn Hartford.

The members of the regional first-year class come from incredibly diverse backgrounds ethnically and geographically, with more than 50% being students of color.

UConn Health

In FY25, UConn Health recorded increases in the number of patients choosing UConn John Dempsey Hospital; its pharmacy operations; UConn Health's physician practices; and related services amid the competitive health care landscape.

Notably, patient revenue increased from \$918.5 million in FY24 to over \$1 billion in FY25. With that increase, UConn Health has more than doubled its patient revenue in the past decade. UConn Health also saw an increase of more than 10% in revenue from pharmacy services and other sources. The number of discharges for combined inpatients and outpatients at UConn John Dempsey Hospital rose from 16,038 in FY24 to 17,488 in FY25, an increase of more than 4,000 from just three years ago. From FY24 to FY25, the number of emergency room visits to the hospital climbed from 56,717 to 59,575. The

number of babies delivered at the hospital also increased, from 1,313 in FY24 to 1,453 in FY25.

Accolades for UConn Health in Fiscal Year 2025 include being named one of the best maternity hospitals in the US by Newsweek; becoming the only hospital in Connecticut to win the Healthgrades Outstanding Patient Experience Award three years in a row; being ranked among the World's Best Hospitals by Newsweek for a fourth consecutive year, and finishing 107 places ahead of its first-ever inclusion in that ranking in 2022; being ranked among the nation's top 10% in joint replacement, major orthopedic surgery, and overall medical care by BlueBook Quantros; winning an eighth consecutive "A" Hospital Safety Grade from The Leapfrog Group, an independent national nonprofit watchdog; Gold rankings from the American Heart Association for the treatment of stroke and coronary artery disease; being named one of America's best large employers by Forbes; receiving four five-star ratings from Healthgrades for the treatment of pneumonia, sepsis, pulmonary embolism and for gastrointestinal surgery; being named a Best Hospital in the US by the Women's Choice Awards.

Community service continued to be a core feature of UConn Health's mission, with some of the initiatives and developments in FY25 including: being named the first health system in Connecticut announced by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to help ease the burden of family members providing care for loved ones with dementia by beginning a new pilot program called the Guiding an Improved Dementia Experience (GUIDE) Model; operating the Urban Service Track/AHEC Scholars program, which since 2007 has provided more than \$1 million in free health care screenings, health promotion education, and referrals to dental and medical safety net agencies for Connecticut residents; medical and dental students raising more than \$62,000 for heart health research at the Walk for 1 in 100 in September 2024; receiving \$11.5 million in funding to bring access to low-cost, do-it-yourself "Corsi-Rosenthal" air-purifiers to every individual public school classroom in Connecticut; and leading the Health Equity Scholars Program in Waterbury for high school students there.

In the realm of education, in May 2025 UConn Health celebrated its 54th commencement ceremony for the 258 graduating students from across UConn School of Dental Medicine, UConn School of Medicine, and its UConn Graduate School programs. The Class of 2025 includes 113 M.D. and 51 DMD students, bringing the total of UConn Health-produced physicians to 4,298 and 2,044 dentists since 1972.

In August 2025, UConn School of Medicine and UConn School of Dental Medicine welcomed two of their largest classes ever, with 114 donning white coats for the School of Medicine (from an applicant pool of more than 5,425, an increase of over 1,000 from the previous year) and 52 dental students (from over 1,700 applications) enrolling in the Class of 2029. Sixty-eight percent of the future doctors in the School of Medicine are Connecticut natives, and 35% earned their undergraduate degrees at UConn. In the School of Dental Medicine, 58% are Connecticut residents, and 37% earned their undergraduate degrees at UConn. Statewide, about 30% of School of Medicine graduates and its trained residents practice medicine in Connecticut, along with nearly 50% of School of Dental Medicine graduates.

UConn Law

UConn Law is a leader in experiential legal education, with a wide variety of clinical

programs, a multitude of individual externship opportunities and several practical skills courses built into the curriculum. The average student debt among UConn Law graduates is the lowest in the Northeast.

The law school is on the rise in the U.S. News & World Report Best Law Schools rankings, moving up five points to a rank of 50 in 2025. The School's part-time Evening Division program is ranked seventh in the country, up from tenth in last year's edition. Among graduates who took the Connecticut bar exam for the first time in July 2023, 84 percent passed, which was 17 points above the state average.

In May 2025, UConn Law celebrated its 102nd commencement, awarding 143 Juris Doctor degrees, 54 Master of Laws degrees, and one doctor of the science of laws degree. Five students graduated with dual degrees.

Regional Campuses

Befitting a University with a physical presence in every region of the State, people throughout Connecticut enjoy the economic benefits that UConn provides. UConn's effect is widespread, but also intensely local: the University means local jobs, local spending, and local tax revenues for communities from the shoreline to the northwest hills. With major initiatives to expand and enhance its campuses, the benefits UConn provides to the people living in Connecticut's cities and towns will only multiply.

UConn Hartford

UConn Hartford has become a welcome presence in the capital city with its new, \$140 million campus anchored by the former Hartford Times building. Partnerships with local organizations including Hartford Public Library and the Wadsworth Atheneum have created a true urban campus, which is rounded out by a Barnes & Noble Bookstore.

By the numbers:

- 32 miles to Storrs
- 1,390+ undergraduates
- 54% students of color
- 11 four-year degree programs

UConn Stamford

Interest in the UConn Stamford as a first-choice campus has continued to rise since dedicated University housing opened in 2017. In 2021, UConn Stamford added 120 beds in two additional nearby apartment buildings to meet student demand. The new Synchrony Financial Innovation Space allows students to obtain paid internships with financial services company Synchrony, which is headquartered in Stamford. In addition, UConn Stamford students may now be accepted to UConn's prestigious Honors Program

in their first year.

By the numbers:

30 miles to New York City

1,850+ undergraduates

55% students of color

14 four-year programs

750+ internships in Stamford, Fairfield County, and NYC

UConn Avery Point

Located on Long Island Sound at the mouth of the Thames River, UConn Avery Point challenges students with specialized programs that take advantage of its waterfront location and delivers an outstanding education in more traditional areas of study. Students benefit from small classes, explore unique minors, and enjoy distinctly modern facilities like the state-of-the-art Marine Sciences Building, with unlimited opportunities for undergraduate research, fieldwork, and internships across the many industries near campus.

By the numbers:

16:1 student-faculty ratio

570+ students

5 four-year programs

42 miles to Storrs

72 acres on the Connecticut coastline

UConn Waterbury

For more than 70 years, UConn Waterbury has opened the doors to educational access and excellence for thousands of Connecticut residents. Today, the campus is located in a leading-edge facility in the heart of Waterbury's revitalized downtown with privately owned student housing located across the street. UConn Waterbury's new Allied Health Sciences program has shown tremendous growth since being introduced in 2020.

By the numbers:

57 miles to Storrs

840+ undergraduates

45% students of color

9 four-year programs

250+ Education Abroad programs in 65+ countries

Institutional Success

In 2024, UConn was ranked highly among 745 four-year institutions by Money Magazine on metrics that weigh affordability, quality of education, and outcomes. Money awarded

4.5 of 5 stars to UConn, earning the University a designation as one of America's best colleges, in line with schools like the University of North Carolina, Michigan State University, the University of Virginia, and the University of Wisconsin.

In December 2024, Conn was recognized as the 10th most sustainable university in the world according to UI GreenMetric, an international system that reviews 1,477 global universities in 95 countries for sustainability performance. This is the fourth year in a row that UConn has made their top ten list.

The UConn College of Engineering Graduate Programs were ranked No. 59 in the nation by US News & World Report. Moving up four spots since 2024, this ranking marks the first time UConn Engineering broke into the Top 60 for engineering graduate programming across the nation.

For the second year in a row, multiple graduate programs within UConn's Neag School of Education have earned recognition as among the best in the country by US News & World Report. In addition, the Neag School appears for the tenth consecutive year as one of the top 30 public graduate schools of education in the United States, tied at No. 28. Among all graduate schools of education across the nation, both public and private, the Neag School stands tied at No. 37. All of the Neag School's three departments are represented in the 2025 specialty education program rankings: No. 18 (tie) in Special Education Programs; No. 28 (tie) in Educational Administration Programs; and No. 34 in Curriculum and Instruction programs.

Among graduate programs within the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences ranked by U.S. News, the Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences has long been renowned for its education, research, clinical practice, and public outreach missions. The new rankings reflect that, with the Audiology program rising 5 points to No. 14 in the country, and the Speech Language Pathology program rising seven points to No. 32 in the country.

The UConn School of Public Policy, within the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, earned praise for its Public Affairs program, which was ranked No. 36 in the country, up three places from last year. The School's Public Finance and Budgeting Program was ranked No. 9 in the country.

UConn School of Law rose 5 points to reach a rank of 50 in the 2024 U.S. News & World Report rankings, and the school's part-time Evening Division program advanced 3 points to No. 7 in the nation.

Several of UConn's online graduate programs are highly ranked for the quality, value, and flexibility they offer to veterans, including one that recently earned the top spot nationwide in U.S. News & World Report's annual review. The UConn School of Nursing's programs were named No. 1 for veterans wishing to pursue online graduate studies in that field, along with high rankings for others: the School of Business (no. 8); the College of Engineering (no. 22); and the business school's MBA program (no. 62).

For the first time, UConn was named one of the top 100 universities for patent issuances by the National Academy of Inventors (NAI). UConn is number 72 on the list. In 2023, UConn inventions received 25 U.S. patents.

UConn was honored with two Connecticut GreenerGov Awards in 2025 and seven

employees were recognized as Eco Champions for their work in creating sustainable programs and policies at UConn and UConn Health.

Five UConn faculty members were named Fulbright Scholars for the 2024-25 academic year from the U.S. Department of State and the Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board. In 2024, for the first time, UConn was named a Fulbright HSI (Hispanic-Serving Institution) Leader.

Twelve UConn faculty members from across multiple schools and colleges were among the 36 total new members for the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering (CASE) Class of 2025. The Academy is comprised of top researchers, scholars, scientists, and engineers who have made significant original contributions to their respective fields.

In June 2025, UConn President Radenka Maric was named a Fellow of The Electrochemical Society, a highly prestigious designation awarded annually to a select group of scientists and engineers from around the globe.

Guillermo Risatti, a distinguished faculty member in the College of Agriculture, Health and Natural Resources (CAHNR), was elected to the National Academy of Inventors (NAI) 2024 Class of Fellows. He is the twelfth UConn inventor to join this selective organization.

In January 2025, UConn civil engineering Professor Arash E. Zaghi and ecology and evolutionary biology associate Professor Jill Wegrzyn were announced as two of the winners of the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE). It is the highest award that the federal government can bestow to scientists and engineers in the early phases of their careers.

Also in January 2025, Dr. Linda Barry, a professor in the Department of Surgery and the Department of Health Sciences at the UConn School of Medicine, was announced as a recipient of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring. Like the PECASE, the award is the most significant honor that the government bestows.

In February 2025, Dr. Linda S. Durst, associate professor in the Department of Psychiatry at UConn School of Medicine and medical director of the Psychiatry Outpatient Clinic at UConn Health, was named a fellow of The American College of Psychiatrists.

Steven G. Smith, an award-winning multimedia storyteller and professor in the Department of Journalism, was named an Andrew Carnegie Fellow for 2025, joining just 25 other scholars nationally in receiving the prestigious honor for researchers in the humanities and social sciences.

A record-breaking 31 UConn students were awarded a Gilman Scholarship in Spring 2025, joining nine of their classmates who were given the prestigious academic award during the fall semester. The award is congressionally funded through the Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs at the State Department. The 31 UConn students, who will study in 14 different countries, will receive a total of nearly \$94,000 in scholarship funds through the Gilman program.

In June 2025, six recent UConn graduates were selected as finalists for the Fulbright U.S. Student Program. The program provides grants for individually designed study and research projects or for English teaching assistantships around the world.

Mariam Vargas '25 (CLAS) was named a Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Fellowship recipient. Vargas was selected among the 1,267 candidates who applied for the program, which is funded by the U.S. Department of State and administered by Howard University. She is UConn's first ever-recipient of a Rangel fellowship.

Caitlin Noonan '26 (ENG), a chemical engineering major, was named a Goldwater Scholar. The Goldwater Scholarship is considered the nation's premier scholarship for undergraduates studying math, natural sciences, and engineering.

Undergraduate Student Government (USG) President Andy Zhang '26 (CLAS, CAHNR) was selected as a Key into Public Service Scholar by the Phi Beta Kappa Society, the nation's oldest academic honor society and a leading national advocate for the value of liberal arts and sciences education. Only 20 students are selected nationally for the honor each year.

UConn's Panhellenic Council – the governing body for nine sororities at the University – received the College Panhellenic Excellence Award from the National Panhellenic Conference. UConn's council was one of 12 to receive this award, out of more than 580.

In April 2025, the UConn women's basketball team became national champions for the 12th time in school history, defeating South Carolina in the final game of the NCAA tournament.

UConn Contributes to Public Dialogue

The University's official news site, UConn Today, received more than 2.5 million unique views in Fiscal Year 2025 for its roughly 600 stories, videos, and photo galleries, an increase of 4% from the previous fiscal year.

The promotion of UConn research and stories has led to coverage in the New York Times, the Washington Post, the Associated Press, Scientific American, Smithsonian Magazine, the BBC, Forbes, The Hill, National Geographic, Politico, Bloomberg, the Chicago Tribune, the Boston Globe, the Wall Street Journal, the Atlantic Monthly, the New Yorker, CNN, the Chronicle of Higher Education, NPR, the Guardian, and numerous others. In Fiscal Year 2025, there were more than 200 placements in national media outlets, and more than 450 in state media outlets.

Twenty-nine new essays and opinion pieces by UConn faculty members in Fiscal Year 2025 received more than 1.1 million views in external media, via a partnership with The Conversation, an outlet that works with national media to provide expert university perspective.

On social media, in Fiscal Year 2024, UConn had roughly 693,717 followers across Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, LinkedIn, and TikTok, with more than 47.4 million impressions for content posted on those platforms, and more than 2.88 million engagements.

Information Required by State Statute

Affirmative Action

In accordance with state and federal laws and regulations, the University of Connecticut is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. The University's affirmative action plans are in compliance with the requirements of the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, pursuant to the Regulations for Affirmative Action in the Connecticut General Statutes.

Fiscal Health

An independent auditing firm gave its seal of approval to the University for fiscal prudence in managing construction spending for UCONN 2000 projects. McGladrey LLP, a Chicago-based financial consulting firm, notified UConn that it found no problems with the University's procedures for estimating project costs, maintaining records, allocating payments, and tracking budgets. Audit findings underscore the University's strong fiscal standards for administering new major initiatives such as Next Generation Connecticut.

Governing Board

The University of Connecticut Board of Trustees is comprised of 21 members: 12 appointed by the Governor; two elected by alumni; two elected by students; and five ex-officio, including the Governor, UConn Health Board of Directors Chair, and the Commissioners of Agriculture, Economic and Community Development, and Education.

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