CONNECTICUT COLLEGE

WHO WE ARE

- Connecticut College was founded as a women's college with the belief that all qualified students—women as well
 as men—deserve to pursue an education. The College's full-time undergraduates come from 39 states, the District
 of Columbia and 41 countries.
- Together, U.S. students of color and international students comprise 29 percent of the student body.
- Conn's nationally-recognized career program gets results: 95 percent of alumni are employed or in graduate school one year after graduation. Conn alumni work in the private, nonprofit and government sectors, including employers like Amazon, Merrill Lynch, Conde Nast, Teach For America and the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION

- The College's direct impact on the Connecticut economy is \$232 million, including \$62 million in wages, salaries and employee benefits and \$86.4 million in spending by students, employees and visitors.
- The College brings opportunity to the region by creating nearly 2,000 jobs.
- Connecticut is home to more than 4,000 alumni who generate \$50 million in Connecticut-based income.
- Career-Informed Learning classes bring together alumni, professors and students to solve real-world problems. To date, there have more than 50 classes featuring 50 alumni.
- In Connecticut, more than 400 alumni are teachers and school administrators, and more than 100 alums are business owners.
- The entire student body engages with our Academic Resource Center, a national leader in academic skill-building and among the most well-endowed centers in the country.

EQUITY, INCLUSION AND OPPORTUNITY

- In 2018, the College published its Equity and Inclusion Action Plan, which advances the goals of equity, inclusion and full participation.
- Conn hosted its inaugural social justice conference, Elevate, in January 2021. The conference featured 40 speakers and reached more than 400 Conn students, faculty, staff, alumni and New London area residents.
- Connecticut residents are awarded \$6.4 million annually in aid. Financial aid for New London residents through the Jane Bredeson Scholarship covers up to half the cost of tuition for those full-time students.
- Conn's academic and financial aid is for all students, regardless of socioeconomic background, and includes the Science Leaders program and a reduced loan program for households with income below \$50,000 and assets of less than \$200,000.
- Since 2009, Connecticut College has partnered with the Posse program to recruit talented students from underresourced schools in Chicago. In 2020, we added a second cohort from New York. Posse Scholars are chosen for academic

cohort from New York. Posse Scholars are chosen for academic and leadership potential and admitted to select colleges and universities that provide full scholarships, mentoring and support.

In 2020, Conn launched Conversations on Race, a series of events co-hosted with The Day and the U.S. Coast Guard Academy To date, events include featured speakers such as bestselling author Ibram X. Kendi and Connecticut Chief Justice Richard A. Robinson, as well as a community conversation on policing in New London.



A Conversation on Race with Ibram X. Kendi

The College collaborated with mayor Michael Passero and the City of New London to lead a special task force on policing. The task force, assembled in June 2020 in the wake of George Floyd's murder, delivered its report to the Mayor in January 2021.

COMMUNITY ACTION

- In recognition of a historic and longstanding partnership, the College's Board of Trustees has made a commitment to pay the city of New London \$50,000 per year for five years for a total investment of \$250,000. This is in addition to a one-time voluntary payment to the City of \$100,000 in 2018.
- In 2020-21, students contributed more than 8,000 hours of community service to the City of New London in education, government and nonprofits.
- This past year, the Community Partnerships Office created educational materials for the New London community on topics including food security and access, city-wide internet access, and mortgage, rent and utilities assistance.
- The Connecticut College Child Development Lab School serves approximately 80 children from 18 to 72 months of age. The school is recognized by the Connecticut State Department of Education (CTSDE) as an Approved Private Special Education Program and has on-site staff, including special and regular early childhood certified teachers, physical and occupational therapists, a speech and language pathologist and a behavior analyst.

ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH

- In collaboration with The Day newspaper, Conn established the Theodore Bodenwein Fellowship in 2020, which is designed to create opportunities for The Day's seasoned professionals to teach their craft to Conn students and for students to intern at the Day.
- The Office of Community Partnerships worked with 50-plus regional partners to offer volunteer and internship experiences for students this past year.
- Connecticut College draws thousands of people to Southeastern Connecticut through free artistic, musical and educational events throughout the year.
- An ongoing partnership with One Book One Region of Eastern Connecticut brings together community members and the College to discuss ideas and broaden appreciation of reading. A yearly author lecture draws more than 1,000 people to campus.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

- Connecticut College is a sustainability leader, purchasing renewable and carbon offsets since the 1990s. In 2020, the College adopted a new ambitious goal to achieve a 45 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2030.
- Conn's arboretum campus encompasses 750 acres, including the main campus. Educational programs such as The Arbo Project, Smaller American Lawns Today (SALT) Conference and Flock Theatre engage thousands of adults and children in local community.
- The Sprout Garden is a student-run organic garden on campus that provides an educational space and community where students, in collaboration with faculty and staff, gain hands-on experience with sustainable, small-scale agriculture. The College partners with FRESH New London to grow healthy food to feed New London families, charging them only what they are able to pay.



Sprout Garden

AS OF MARCH 2021