

WELCOME CAMELS!

HELPFUL HINTS FOR READING THIS BOOK



@ConnCollegeLive

@ConnCollegeLive is our campus go-to Twitter account with helpful information, event listings and student resources. Check @ConnCollegeLive every day for news about campus happenings and to ask practically any question you might have. When you lead a student organization or have an announcement, mention @ConnCollegeLive in your tweet and we'll broadcast the message to our campus community. Throughout this book, tweets and retweets from @ConnCollegeLive give a sense of what resources are available on our Twitter account. You'll also find hints and tips from the @ConnCollegeLive team to help you in your first weeks on campus.

CONNECTICUT COLLEGE

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NUMBERS

FOUNDED AS A WOMEN'S COLLEGE IN **1911**

WENT COED IN **1969**

1,900 UNDERGRADUATES FROM **45 STATES**;
WASHINGTON, D.C.; AND **70 COUNTRIES**

THE CLASS OF 2020 WILL BE THE **102ND** GRADUATING CLASS

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56 MAJORS, MINORS AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

INCLUDING THE OPTION TO CREATE YOUR OWN

33 FULBRIGHT WINNERS IN THE PAST 5 YEARS

99% OF STUDENTS LIVE ON CAMPUS

52% RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID

THE COLLEGE ENCOMPASSES **750 ACRES** OF ARBORETUM

STUDENT-FACULTY RATIO IS **9:1**

THE LINGO

- ★ **360 (H4)** – One of several common interest residences on campus. Residents apply with a theme and plan events and activities for campus.
- ★ **ABBEY (D4)** – Abbey House, located across Mohegan Avenue.
- ★ **AC (G5)** – Athletic Center.
- ★ **ARBO (F1)** – The College’s 750-acre campus is managed as an arboretum, but the 445 acres located across Williams Street are most commonly referred to as the Arbo. It’s an outside laboratory for the sciences, a habitat for native plants and animals, a place for students to relax with friends, and a park for the community.
- ★ **ARC (F2)** – Academic Resource Center, located in Shain Library.
- ★ **BLUE CAMEL CAFE (F2)** – The Blue Camel Cafe offers a variety of specialty coffees, teas and baked goods as well as soups during lunch on weekdays. The Blue Camel is located on the first floor of Shain Library and is also a 24-hour, controlled-access study space.
@BlueCamelCafe
- ★ **THE BARN (H2)** – Located near Cro and the Plex, this is the designated rehearsal space for student bands. See MOBROC.
- ★ **CAMEL CARD** – The Camel Card is your main student identification. It gets you into buildings and holds printing funds, Dining Dollars and Camel Cash. See page 16.
- ★ **CAMELYMPICS** – In this annual, daylong tradition, residential houses compete against each other in dorm versus dorm events that range from basketball and a road race to Jenga and Wii Bowling. Quidditch is always a highlight. #Camelympics
- ★ **CAMEL VAN** – The College’s van service between campus and greater New London locations. Turn to page 47 to find out more.
- ★ **CAMELWEB** – The College’s intranet, a private network just for members of the campus community.
- ★ **THE CENTERS** – “The Centers” are five unique programs for interdisciplinary scholarship. Four Centers grant certificates:
 - Goodwin-Niering Center for the Environment (GNCE)
 - Toor Cummings Center for International Studies and the Liberal Arts (CISLA)
 - Holleran Center for Community Action and Public Policy (PICA)
 - Ammerman Center for Arts and Technology (CAT)Generally, sophomores apply to these Centers, and each culminates with a senior integrative project.
 - The fifth Center, the Center for the Comparative Study of Race and Ethnicity (CCSRE), is the hub for researching and teaching race and ethnicity across the disciplines.Turn to page 28 for more info.



- ★ **COFFEE CLOSET (D3 & E2)** – This student-run organization operates two locations, the original cafe near the first-floor entrance of Cummings Arts Center, and the Walk-in Coffee Closet on the first floor of Harkness House. Insta: [The_Coffee_Closets](#)
- ★ **COFFEE GROUNDS (G3)** – A student-run cafe in KB serving bagels, pastries, and gourmet coffees and teas, and featuring student art and entertainment.
@Coffee_Groundz
- ★ **THE COLLEGE VOICE** – The student-run campus newspaper. New writers, photographers and designers are always welcome to attend meetings.
@TheCollegeVoice
- ★ **@CONNCOLLEGELIVE** – Connecticut College’s Twitter feed for campus event info. Learn about upcoming lectures, athletic games, performances, lunch/dinner menus and more. @ConnCollegeLive
- ★ **CONNECTIONS** – As a student here, you will have the benefit of Connections, a bold new venture that will prepare you for success in an increasingly complex world. See page 26.
- ★ **CONNQUEST** – An online resource for student clubs and organizations, accessible via CamelWeb, that provides a wall to post messages, photo galleries, events, member lists and more.
- ★ **CRO (G2)** – The College Center at Crozier-Williams is the student center and home to the Oasis Snack Shop, Humphrey’s, Cro’s Nest, Cro-Pit, Bookshop, Post Office, SGA, Camel Card office, OVCS and The College Voice. Many student clubs meet in Cro, and most offices related to student life can be found here.
- ★ **EARTH HOUSE (H4)** – A house in north campus where all residents commit to eco-friendly living, and a focal point for green activities on campus.
- ★ **ECLIPSE** – This spring event includes an array of dance, such as capoeira, salsa and hip-hop, and fashion shows.
Insta: [ConnCollEclipse](#)
- ★ **FACILITIES MANAGEMENT (B2)** – The maintenance staff on campus. They handle everything from repairs to custodial services to clearing snow in the winter. Something not working? We need to know. Email workreq@conncoll.edu or call 860-439-2253.
- ★ **FALL WEEKEND** – A weekend to show your family the sights on campus, catch a soccer game on Tempel Green, enjoy events like Harvestfest and meet up with alumni.
#CCfallweekend
- ★ **FELLOWSHIPS** – The College has bolstered support for students and alumni seeking high-profile national fellowships and scholarships through its Office of Fellowships and Scholarships. The College is consistently recognized as a top producer of Fulbright scholars, and students have won other awards such as Davis Projects for Peace, and Goldwater and Marshall fellowships.
- ★ **FESTIVUS** – From a famous “Seinfeld” episode, Festivus is a nondenominational holiday party. There are several parties around campus followed by a celebration in Cro.
- ★ **FG** – The Floor Governor is a member of the residential living staff who helps create fun programming. See page 13 for more info.
- ★ **FLORALIA** – An annual outdoor spring concert with live music, attractions, dancing and more. Held in early May, Floralia is one of the most popular events of the year.
- ★ **FOUNDERS DAY** – Celebrated April 5, this marks the anniversary of the day the College was officially chartered in 1911.



- ★ **GREEN DOT** – Our violence prevention strategy. Green Dot encourages bystanders to make a choice and then take action by doing something to prevent violence from happening in our community.
- ★ **HARRIS (H2)** – Harris Refectory is the largest dining hall on campus and is located in the Plex. Turn to page 16 for more info on dining options around campus.
- ★ **HARVESTFEST** – An outdoor carnival/festival with food, crafts and entertainment organized by all the student organizations, teams and residence halls on campus during Fall Weekend. Sponsored by SAC.
- ★ **HONOR COUNCIL** – A body of students elected to review any breaches of the Honor Code. See page 21.
- ★ **HOUSEFELLOW** – A senior trained to provide academic, emotional and social support to house residents.
- ★ **JA (D2)** – Jane Addams House, located in south campus.
- ★ **KB (H3)** – Katharine Blunt House, located in central campus and named after a longtime president. Also home to Coffee Grounds.
- ★ **LGBTQ (G3)** – Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning. This community is served by the LGBTQ Resource Center in Burdick House. @CC_lgbtqcenter
- ★ **MOBROC** – Musicians Organized for Band Rights on Campus. A student-run organization comprising student bands. They're in charge of scheduling acts for many of the College's concerts and providing rehearsal space (The Barn) for student bands. If you're looking to start or join a band on campus, check them out.
- ★ **MOODLE** – Learning management system used to deliver course materials, including text, audio and video; collect assignments; conduct discussions; post grades; facilitate communication between students and faculty; or do any number of course-related activities online.
- ★ **NESCAC** – We belong to the New England Small College Athletic Conference, composed of 11 highly selective liberal arts colleges. See page 31. @nescac
- ★ **OASIS (G2)** – Snack shop in Cro. Students and professors go here to grab a bite and chat.
- ★ **OVCS (G2)** – Office of Volunteers for Community Service is located in Cro. Community service is a big part of the value system here. @OVCS_CC
- ★ **PEeps** – Peer Educators help fellow residents learn about health issues, alcohol/drug abuse, stress management and much more. Turn to page 13 for more.
- ★ **THE PLEX (H2)** – The complex of six north campus residential houses: Hamilton, Lambdin, Johnson, Morrisson, Park and Wright. The corridor that connects these dorms, above Harris, is called Main Street. One-third of students live here. It's attached to Harris Refectory, the College's largest dining hall.
- ★ **REGISTRAR (E3)** – This office supports the education of students at the College, protects the integrity of the CC degree, and maintains permanent academic records for current and former students. The office also maintains, interprets and monitors academic policy, and communicates procedures to students, faculty and administrative staff. The Office of the Registrar is located on the first floor of Fanning Hall, in Room 105.
- ★ **THE RIDGE (C4)** – The River Ridge Apartments, located across Mohegan Avenue, offer apartment-style housing for sophomores, juniors and seniors who apply.
- ★ **RUANE'S DEN (E2)** – This space in Harkness House is home to the Walk-in Coffee Closet and offers coffee, snacks and an outside patio with tables for doing work.



- ★ **SA** – Student Adviser. Your student adviser is part of the advising team you have at Conn. Learn more on page 26.
- ★ **SAC** – The Student Activities Council is responsible for organizing many of the social activities on campus, including dances, off-campus trips, FNL, study breaks, Winter Formal and Floralia.
@ConnCollSAC
- ★ **SGA** – The Student Government Association governs the academic, social and residential life of students. See page 19.
@ConnCollSGA
- ★ **SHAIN (F2)** – Charles E. Shain Library is the College's main library, which recently underwent a \$9.8 million renovation. The building now features much more natural light, a grand reading room, an outlet at each seat, 10 group study rooms and the Blue Camel Cafe, which serves as a 24-hour study space.
- ★ **TEMPEL GREEN (E2)** – The entire green stretching from the Ad Astra Garden in front of Blaustein down to the loop road.
- ★ **THURSDAY NIGHT EVENTS** – A weekly event series featuring things such as Camel Bingo, magicians, the Best Band on Campus contest, spoken word performances, film screenings, laser tag and more.
- ★ **WCNI** – The campus radio station, 90.9 FM, located at the north end of Cro. Plays a variety of music, including hip-hop, indie, pop, funk, Latin, reggae and classical. Listen online at www.wcniradio.org.
@WCNIradio
- ★ **WINCHESTER (E5)** – Apartment-style housing for sophomores, juniors and seniors.
- ★ **ZIPCAR** – Reserve online if you need temporary wheels. Learn more on page 47.

Curious about where some of these places are on campus? Check out the map on the inside front cover.



Orientation

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Arrival Day is **Thursday, Aug. 25, 2016.**

New Student Orientation (for first-year and transfer students) is **Thursday, Aug. 25,** through **Monday, Aug. 29.**

All new students arrive on Thursday, Aug. 25, between the hours of 9 and 11 a.m. (with the exception of students who will be participating in one of the optional pre-Orientation programs—see below).

At your residential house, you will have the opportunity to meet your roommate(s), housefellow and floor governor.

- 11:30 a.m.- 12:45 p.m. Lunch will be available at various dining halls around campus and is free to all.
- 1 p.m.- 3:45 p.m. Sessions for students and separate sessions for parents and families.
- 4 p.m. President's Assembly in Palmer Auditorium.
- 5 p.m. Dessert reception, after which parents and families will say goodbye and depart.

Full schedules for Arrival Day and Orientation will be available online in early August.

During the first few days, you will meet with your advising team to discuss course selections for the fall semester. You will attend workshops, both academic and social, to help you get better acquainted with the organizations, resources, traditions and activities of Connecticut College. Your residential house staff, whom you will meet on Arrival Day, will help guide you throughout all of Orientation.

In addition to Orientation, which is mandatory, the College offers two optional pre-Orientation programs for first-year students:

- **Genesis:** This program is designed to help students from under-represented groups, including students of color and students who are the first in their families to attend a four-year college, become familiar with the resources available to help them transition to college. For more information, contact Antonio Jefferson, director of Unity House, at ajeffer@conncoll.edu or 860-439-2628.
- **Odyssey:** This program gives international students an opportunity to get to know the College and each other, and learn about resources on campus. For more information, contact Carmela Patton, international student adviser, at cpatton@conncoll.edu or 860-439-2050.