

State of the College

Leo I. Higdon, Jr.

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CONNECTICUT COLLEGE

Vision

Increased recognition for this
extraordinary education in the liberal
arts and sciences



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Liberal Arts and Sciences

Best preparation for life and career

- Rigorous academics - interdisciplinary
- Learning beyond classroom
- Faculty, teacher-scholars
- Diversity, core community value
- Educate the whole person



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Achieving the Vision

- Investing in historic strengths
- Investing in our future:
 - life sciences
 - internationalization
 - residential life experience
 - financial aid



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Achievements: Academic Excellence

- 10 Fulbrights in two years
- Marshall & Truman finalists, Goldwater & Udall honorable mentions
- Freshman seminars in residence halls
- Faculty scholarship



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Achievements: Excellence & Diversity

- Admission outreach
- LGBTQ Center thriving
- Opened Women's Center
- Launched 'Science Leaders'



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Achievements: Reputation Building

- Enhanced alumni programs
- Integrated marketing
- Strong national media placements



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The Providence Journal

Leo I. Higdon Jr.: College president-trustee relationship

Sunday, May 18, 2008

NEW LONDON — AT CONNECTICUT

- Annual assessments of my performance by the board, assessments that are structured around the year's goals.
- Strong relationships between individual administrators and trustees: The trust

Hartford Courant.

January 28, 2008

Liberal Arts Schools Are Producing Tomorrow's Leaders

By Leo I. Higdon Jr.

Faced with a contracting economy, Connecticut's future depends on the talent of our next generation workforce. Today's college graduates will manage as leaders amid a thriving, health care economy while wringing their hands in frustration as knowledge jobs continue to flow out of the state and country.

Among college graduates, those who have completed a comprehensive liberal arts program will

The Philadelphia Inquirer

Wednesday, August 15, 2007

Commentary

College tuition: A great investment

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College tuition is a bargain.

I lobbied this sentence into a lively dinner-party conversation about the rising

costs of college education. It includes residences for nearly 2,000 people — complete with three meals a day, health and counseling services, general maintenance and security. Staffing and maintaining this site and its services account for nearly half our annual budget.

Private colleges offer more than public institutions, in terms and more, which we offer to enhance our students' residential and intellectual experience.

Private colleges cost more than public institutions, in large part, because they are not funded with public money. Other reasons relate to



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May 2, 2008

Tips to Help Wait-Listed Students Get
A well-written letter can help your chances. Sta
By Kim Clark

May 1

The New York Times

March 15, 2008

Credit Cards Are Frothy, Not Bubbly
By Joe Nocera

Newsweek

April 28, 2008 Issue

JUDGMENT CALLS
Robert J. Samuelson

The Great Shopping Spree, R.I.P.

TRANSFIXED BY TURMOIL IN THE F
be missing the year's biggest econo
American Shopping Spree. For the
have gone on an unprecedented ca
longer vacations and just about anything. T
found for both the United States and the re
something different and unknown may not be an improvem
to see the ever-escalating stream of consumer spending

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

April 21, 2008

THE JUNGLE | Focus on Recruitment, Pay and Getting Ahead | By Erin White

Economic Bumps Bounce Interns

Cristian Núñez, a junior at Swarth-
more College, got some bad news
this month: Bear Stearns Cos. re-
trinded his search for a job.



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Achievements: Campus Renewal

- **New fitness center**
- **Common rooms**
- **Classrooms**
- **Plaza/walkway**



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Achievements: Alumni Support

- Strong fundraising – record seven-figure gifts
- Alumni participation high
- Senior giving - 96%
- Class of 1958 - 100%



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Help Us Be Extraordinary

Spread the word

- Bring back unconnected alumni

Remain involved/get involved

Invest in the College

Join us Oct. 24-26 for Celebration 2008

- Help kick off the College's future



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