THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
Distinctions

- Ranked the top 25 public universities in the nation by US News and World Report and the top public university in New England for nine consecutive years.

- The only public university in New England with our own schools of law, medicine, dental medicine, and social work.

- School of Dental Medicine students have twice ranked first among the country’s 55 dental schools on National Board examinations.

- A comprehensive study of the nation’s hospitals published in Modern Healthcare named UConn’s Health Center to the Top 100 Hospitals: Performance Improvement Leaders.

- Ninety-five percent of UConn School of Law graduates are employed within nine months after graduation.

- Founded in 1881, UConn is the only public university in Connecticut to be designated a Carnegie Foundation Research University, lauded for breadth and range of research.

- The National Science Foundation ranks UConn in the top 15 percent of public universities in garnering research funding. Research awards to UConn faculty exceeded $190 million in 2007.
Location
- Main campus is located in Storrs, about 30 minutes from Hartford, the state's capital city.
- Within driving distance of Boston, New York City, and Providence.
- Regional campuses in ideal locations at Avery Point, Stamford, Torrington, Waterbury, and West Hartford.
- Health Center in Farmington and Schools of Social Work, and Law in the greater Hartford area complete the University of Connecticut's high-quality programs available statewide.

Academic Breadth
- UConn encompasses 14 schools and colleges offering seven undergraduate degrees in more than 100 majors.
- The University grants 16 graduate degrees in more than 90 fields of study, and provides graduate professional programs in business, dental medicine, law, medicine, pharmacy, and social work.

Faculty
- UConn's faculty members are among the most impressive scholars in the world. Many are recognized as leaders in education, research, and scholarship:
  - UConn faculty research in regenerative biology produced America's first cloned calf using non-reproductive cells, creating an international scientific and media sensation.
  - UConn faculty provided pivotal leadership for the historic UConn-African National Congress Partnership;
  - Faculty initiative created an unprecedented opportunity for UConn students to study at the Metropolitan Opera in New York City;
  - UConn's Neag School of Education is home to the renowned National Research Center on the Gifted and Talented, the Accelerated Schools Project, and one of 11 schools nationwide selected for the Carnegie Corporation's prestigious Teachers for a New Era initiative.
  - Researchers in UConn's School of Medicine have successfully isolated the gene that causes the most common form of glaucoma, a breakthrough that could lead to early detection and prevention of blindness.
  - Our professors strive to personalize the UConn experience. Presiding over classes that average 30 students, faculty members are dedicated to their roles as teachers, student advisors, and mentors. In UConn's undergraduate summer research program, students have the opportunity to participate in original research or receive a grant to work under the direction of our renowned professors.
**Student Profile**

- More than 28,000 students enrolled, representing nearly every state in the nation and more than 100 countries.

- Average SAT scores of incoming freshmen at Storrs are up 79 points since 1996 and are now 1192.

- Minority freshman enrollment at Storrs and the regional campuses has more than doubled since 1995.

- Since 1995, 928 valedictorians and salutatorians have enrolled at all campuses. In fall 2007, 40 percent of the freshmen entering the Storrs campus were ranked in the top 10 percent of their high school class and 81 percent were in the top 25 percent of their class.

- The 275 students UConn welcomed into our Honors Program in 2007 had an average SAT score of 1409, an 11-point increase compared to the preceding year.

- More than 45 percent of student-athletes earned a 3.0 or better grade point average last year and 17 had a 4.0 grade point average in either the fall and spring semester, or in both semesters.

- UConn is among the top 25 public universities in the nation in freshman retention rates; 91 percent of freshman enrolled at Storrs in 2007 choose to continue their studies here in 2008.
Student Life

- UConn offers more than 400 clubs and organizations.
- UConn offers more than 200 Study Abroad programs, including travel to more than 65 countries.
- Cooperative education programs and internships integrate classroom learning and work experience in business, industry, and public service.

Attractions

- In 2007, nearly 39,000 prospective students and their families launched their tours of the UConn campus from the Lodewick Visitors Center, the gateway to the unique facilities that define the University’s 4,000-acre main campus. In 1995, only a third as many students visited the campus.
- Visitors may experience it all while lodging in the Nathan Hale Inn, a convenient hotel and conference facility on the UConn campus.
- Chief among UConn’s dynamic academic facilities is the Homer Babbidge Library, which contains more than three million volumes. The Association of Research Libraries ranks UConn’s library system the top public research library in New England.
- UConn’s Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts showcases the region’s most noteworthy dramatic events. It stages professional touring attractions that range from Broadway musicals to intimate cabarets.
- The collections of the recently expanded William Benton Museum of Art include 4,000 pieces; the museum includes a gallery that is exclusively dedicated to presenting human rights-oriented visual arts, as well as an outdoor meditation sculpture garden.
- The artifacts on display in UConn’s Museum of Natural History further enhance the University’s cultural environment.
- The J. Robert Donnelly Husky Heritage Sports Museum features photos, videos, plaques, banners, uniforms, and NCAA National championship trophies of the men’s and women’s basketball teams and the men’s soccer team.
A Campus for the 21st Century

• UConn continues to renew, rebuild and enhance our campuses through an unprecedented $2.8 billion, 20-year investment in the University’s infrastructure. UCONN 2000 is the most ambitious publicly financed university building program in the country. It’s an initiative The New York Times reports as being, “a building boom that would be the envy of most university presidents.”

• Now in its 14th year, UCONN 2000 has invigorated the University’s living and learning environments, helped advance faculty research, and stimulated public and private investment.

• This transformation revitalizes the state’s future by providing the means for the University to attract high-achieving students, high-quality faculty, and funding from public grants and private donors. Before the landmark program, Connecticut was a state with one of the highest ratios of students leaving the state for college. Today, that trend has been dramatically reversed:

• Applications have increased for the 11th consecutive year with more than 22,000 applicants competing for 3,200 seats at the main campus in Storrs and 1,100 seats at the regional campuses;

• For the third consecutive year, more than half the applicants are out-of-state students. More than 10,000 students applied for the no more than 30 percent of new student seats available to undergraduates living outside Connecticut.
The landmark UCONN 2000 construction program has created more than 9.5 million square feet of new and renovated space for research, teaching, living, and learning. Completed projects include:

- an award-winning building for the department of chemistry—the Chemistry Building is one of the best-designed buildings in the world according to the International Architecture Yearbook;

- New buildings for the schools of Business, and Pharmacy;

- the modern Biology/Physics Building, Information Technologies Engineering Building, and Agricultural Biotechnology Laboratory;

- additions to the Benton Museum;

- renovations to numerous facilities, including the Babbidge Library, the historic Wilbur Cross Building, Museum of Natural History, and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences;

- construction that includes the latest innovations in student residential communities, ranging from traditional residence halls, to suites, to apartments;

- improving the quality of a UConn education throughout the state, as renovations touch every University campus, resulting in new downtown campuses in Stamford and Waterbury, a sophisticated marine science facility at our campus in Avery Point, and new buildings on our Greater Hartford and Torrington campuses, as well as at the UConn Law School.

Forthcoming projects made possible by UCONN 2000 include:

- a $300 million expansion to the UConn Health Center that will include a stem cell research institute, renovations to large lecture halls, and renovations to the dental clinics; and

- enhancements at the Storrs campus that include new liberal arts facilities, life sciences buildings, and the entire fine arts complex.
1. Ranked the Top Public University in New England

For the ninth consecutive year, U.S. News and World Report ranked UConn the top public university in New England and now among the top 25 public universities in the nation. Comments published in the Fiske Guide to Colleges include, “It’s the perfect atmosphere to go to college in. The academics are challenging and interesting, and the social setting is fun and diverse.” Bolstered by this national recognition and academic prestige, the value of a UConn degree continues to soar.

2. 21st Century Amenities

This is a tremendously exciting time to attend UConn. A $2.8 billion landmark building program is dramatically transforming the places where students live, learn and enjoy life. Through new construction and renovation, UConn offers the latest innovations nationally in university housing and dining and the best-equipped recreational complexes. Classrooms and laboratories are being built at a remarkable rate, placing our facilities at the forefront of public higher education and propelling UConn to a position of national prominence.

3. The Right Fit

Our student/faculty ratio is 17:1, and our 20,800 undergraduate students receive personal attention and feel a strong sense of community and belonging in classes that average 30 students. Just the right size, UConn also offers the opportunities of a premier research university, such as hands-on experience working in labs with professors who not only teach our courses, but who also are on the cutting edge of innovation and discovery.
From writers and scientists to human rights activists and historians, our more than 1,200 faculty members are committed to classroom teaching. Fostering a dynamic learning environment, they share research opportunities with high-achieving undergraduates. Our faculty includes Regina Barreca, whose humor appears in nationally published columns, and Ben Bahr, whose revolutionary research may unlock the mysteries of Alzheimer's disease. Amii Omara-Otunnu provides pivotal leadership for the UConn-African National Congress Partnership. It is professors like these who inspire the minds of emerging scholars.

OUTSTANDING RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES

UConn has the highest percentage of students living on campus of any major public university in the United States. Residential life at UConn offers a distinct sense of community, as well as many social and cultural opportunities. We offer new students a range of dining options and accommodations, while offering upper division students the latest in suite-style and apartment living. Residence halls, which are wired for the internet, come complete with study rooms, computer labs, and lounge areas to help students relax and feel at home.

Kiplinger’s Personal Finance ranks UConn in the top 20 for best value in public colleges. Whether long-range goals are career preparation, pursuit of a graduate degree, or attending medical or law school, “students can receive a stellar education without graduating with a mountain of debt.” UConn has a variety of programs to help many students financially, ranging from merit scholarship opportunities to need-based financial aid packages, all designed to support a large number of qualified students. The University also has many part-time campus jobs with flexible hours that help students earn extra spending money or build their résumé with hands-on work experience.

DIVISION I in all sports, we have a variety of men’s and women’s varsity athletics. Home of Huskymania, sports at UConn include baseball, basketball, field hockey, football, golf, ice hockey, lacrosse, rowing, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, indoor and outdoor track, and volleyball. Since 1995 UConn athletic teams captured eight NCAA national championships, including unprecedented dual men’s and women’s basketball championships—the first University to do so in NCAA Division I history. UConn’s standard of athletic excellence also extends to the gridiron, where the Huskies—the 2007 BIG EAST Champions—play for sell-out crowds of 40,000 roaring fans at the ultra-modern Rentschler Field.
Michael J. Hogan was appointed the 14th president of the University of Connecticut in September, 2007. During his first year at UConn, he has met with a broad representation of the UConn family, including faculty, students, trustees, alumni, donors, staff, legislators, and friends of the University throughout the public and private sectors.

He has established strategic initiatives that will continue to move UConn along its upward trajectory as one of the top public research universities in the nation, including strengthening UConn’s research enterprise and enhancing its portfolio of sponsored research, building more top-notch graduate programs, and continuing to advance UConn’s outstanding undergraduate programs.

President Hogan came to UConn from the University of Iowa where he was the Executive Vice President and Provost and F. Wendell Miller Professor of History. Prior to his appointment at Iowa, Hogan spent 20 years at Ohio State University where he served as chair of the Department of History, as dean of the College of Humanities, and as executive dean of the Colleges of the Arts and Sciences.

His career as a History faculty member also included nine years at Miami University, service at Stony Brook.
University, and at the University of Texas in Austin. Born and raised in Waterloo, Iowa, Hogan earned his B.A. degree at the University of Northern Iowa, where he majored in English with minors in history and classics; his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees were conferred by the University of Iowa.


Hogan has been a fellow at the Harry S. Truman Library Institute and the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, and has served as Louis Martin Sears Distinguished Professor of History at Purdue University. For 15 years he was editor of Diplomatic History, an international journal of record for specialists in diplomacy and foreign affairs. He has served on numerous editorial boards and as vice president and president of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations.

He has also served on the U.S. Department of State’s Advisory Committee on Diplomatic Documentation, which he chaired for three years, and has worked as a consultant for a number of BBC documentaries and for the PBS special George C. Marshall and the American Century.

Hogan met his wife, Virginia, while in graduate school at the University of Iowa, where she also earned her M.A. degree. They have four children: Christopher, an attorney in Columbus, Ohio; David, a director for AOL who lives in Virginia; Joe, an executive with the Dayhuff Group in Columbus; and AnnElizabeth, who lives with her husband in Grand Rapids, Minnesota.

He has four siblings—his sister, Sally, resides in Farmington, Conn.

Dr. Hogan and Director of Athletics Jeff Hathaway pose with the 2007-08 University of Connecticut Athletic All-Americans who were honored at the Annual UConn Club Awards Dinner in April of 2008.
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Former basketball player
Former member of University of Connecticut Board of Trustees

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Noted pharmaceutical and medical device attorney

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Former men’s track and field All-American
Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer
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President and CEO
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Retired NASA astronaut who is a veteran of seven space flights

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Former Chairman of the Board/
Chief Executive Officer
Cooper Industries Inc.

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Former UConn basketball player
Executive Vice President
ITT Corporation (retired)

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United States Congressman
Second District - Connecticut

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Former UConn football player
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Chief of Organizational Learning and Development
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Mayor, City of New Haven, Connecticut

Chris Donovan ’69
Television producer
Emmy-award nominee for “Dinner for Five”

Jennifer Dorn ”77 (Graduate)
President and CEO
National Academy of Public Administration

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1950 American League Rookie-of-the-Year with the Boston Red Sox
Owner of family fireworks business

Kathleen Dudzinski ’89
Founder, Dolphin Communication Project

Charles Dueller ’74
Noted United Nations and CIA Weapons Inspector

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Senior Vice President, Smith Barney Co. (retired)

Doug Elliot ’82
President and Chief Executive Officer
Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company
Former baseball player

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President
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Former United States Congressman
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Former Chairman,
University of Connecticut Board of Trustees
Managing Partner of Andersen Consulting, Inc. (retired)

David M. Lee ’55 (Graduate)
1996 Co-Winner of Nobel Prize for Physics

Georgina I. Lucas ’70
Former Vice President
Travelers Insurance Company

David P. Marks ’69, ’71
President and Chief Investment Officer
MEMBERS Capital Advisors

Myles Martel ’65
President, Martel and Associates
Villanova, Pa.

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Cartoonist, New Yorker magazine

Richard Mastracchio ’82
Mission specialist for NASA who flew his second mission, on the Space Shuttle Endeavor in August of 2007

Richard J. Grossi ’57
Former President and CEO
United Illuminating
Executive Director
Science Park Development Corporation

Edward A. Horrigan, Jr. ’50
President and CEO of R.J. Reynolds (retired)
Former football player

Samuel Jaskilka ’42
Four-Star General (retired)
Commandant of United States Marine Corps

Ned Kahn ’82
Nationally-prominent sculptor and scientist

Robert Kaplan ’73
Editor, Atlantic Monthly

Tom Keegan ’84
Co-producer of Broadway show “Little Women”, Animator, “Blues Clues” children’s television series

Wally Lamb ’72, ’77
Best-selling author

Anita Bevacqua McBride ’81
Assistant to the President of the United States
Chief of Staff for the First Lady

Aaron Ment ’58
Chief Court Administrator (retired) of the Connecticut Judicial System

Bobby Moynihan ’99
Cast Member on NBC’s Saturday Night Live

Doug Elliot ’82
President

James Calhoun ’89
Chancellor

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Major League Baseball Umpire

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Former softball player

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Former President, Eastern League

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Without question the University of Connecticut is instrumental in the state’s quality of life and economic growth. Connecticut’s Center for Economic Analysis documents that UConn annually generates nearly 38,000 jobs, leverages $800 million in private and federal investments and adds $3.1 billion to Connecticut’s gross state product.

Professional Workforce Development
Connecticut’s principal natural resource is human capital, and the University of Connecticut is the state’s flagship institution of higher education for the teaching and training of a professional workforce. Today, there are more than 103,800 UConn alumni who live and work in Connecticut. UConn also serves as a key educational resource to businesses, government agencies, and non-profit organizations. It provides continuing education programs to keep employees’ knowledge and skills current, improve productivity, and help businesses deliver better and more efficient services to their clients and customers.

Public and Private Partnerships
The University maintains a wealth of partnerships with organizations and private corporations across the state. UConn partners with: Connecticut’s public
sector, providing staff development services to state social service agencies, and technical support to assist state and local agencies in finding solutions to critical environmental, infrastructure, and social problems; Connecticut’s private sector, supporting and enhancing the competitiveness of state businesses, enabling them to expand existing operations, launch initiatives, create jobs, and expand the state’s tax base.

In fact, every state dollar allocated to UConn resulted in a $6.18 increase in Connecticut’s gross state product.

**Research**
The University has more than 70 focused research centers that explore subjects ranging from improving human health to enhancing public education and protecting our natural resources. Faculty research at UConn provides direct benefits to the Connecticut economy in the form of job creation, new business development, and subcontracting work with state businesses.

**Quality of Life**
UConn makes far-reaching contributions to the quality of life in Connecticut. Crucial examples include enhancing public schools, improving the environment, extending access to diverse cultural activities, and providing recreation and entertainment. The University’s many contributions assist businesses in attracting talented and high-quality individuals who strengthen and expand our state’s economic health. More than 200,000 people annually attend events, exhibitions, and performances at UConn.

**Husky Pride**
University of Connecticut alumni rank seventh in the nation among public universities for alumni giving, according to U.S. News and World Report. In 2007, UConn received $59.8 million dollars from more than 34,000 donors.

Since 1995, UConn’s athletic teams have won eight NCAA Division I national championships, 37 BIG EAST tournaments and 43 BIG EAST regular season titles.

UConn Husky athletics annually draws more than 320,000 fans to Hartford for basketball games and nearly 225,000 people to East Hartford for Division I-A football.

“Huskymania” is the singular and unifying source of pride for Connecticut residents as well as an economic force within the state. Major corporations affiliate themselves with the University through their sponsorship of UConn athletics, and Connecticut-based vendors produce UConn branded items that are sold in retail outlets throughout the state. These retail sales generate income for businesses and state sales tax revenues.
In addition to all that the city of Hartford and the state of Connecticut has to offer, the region within two hours of Storrs is ripe with cultural and entertainment possibilities.

**SPRINGFIELD** (47 miles)

The Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame is located less than an hour from Storrs in Springfield, Mass., just minutes from the YMCA where Dr. James Naismith invented the game in 1891. A must-see for any fan of the hardwood, the Hall of Fame reopened in the fall of 2002 in a brand new $45 million home just off of Interstate 91 in Springfield. The pinnacle of any basketball career, the hall’s long list of inductees now includes UConn men’s basketball coach Jim Calhoun, a 2005 inductee, and women’s basketball coach Geno Auriemma, a 2006 inductee. Once you finish your tour of the Hall of Fame, Springfield’s neighboring suburb of Agawam is the home of Six Flags New England, the region’s largest amusement park.

**NEW YORK CITY** (142 miles)

The United States’ largest city and “the media capital of the world,” New York City is located approximately two hours from Storrs and offers a wide array of cultural opportunities. From the glitter of Times Square, to the vast expanse of Central Park, to the majestic skyline, New York City is an incomparable destination and one that can be easily reached by the Metro-North train lines that run into southern Connecticut. UConn students also enjoy the city’s active sporting landscape. The BIG EAST Conference men’s basketball tournament, played every March at fabled Madison Square Garden, is one of the country’s premier collegiate conference championship events. The New York metro area also boasts 10 major professional sports franchises, including the NFL’s New York Jets and Giants, Major League Baseball’s New York Mets and Yankees, the NBA’s New York Knicks and New Jersey Nets, the NHL’s New York Islanders, New York Rangers and New Jersey Devils and the WNBA’s New York Liberty.
**BOSTON (86 miles)**

The birthplace of the American Revolution, Boston’s historic Freedom Trail is a living history textbook, covering everything from the Battle of Bunker Hill to the midnight ride of Paul Revere. Meanwhile, the city blends its old world charm with a cosmopolitan new world attitude that is evidenced by some of the trendier shops and restaurants that line both historic Faneuil Hall Marketplace and the Back Bay’s Newbury Street. One of the world’s foremost centers of education, Boston is home to over 50 colleges and universities; perhaps the entire world’s most concentrated collection of colleges. The greater Boston area also includes the summer beach resorts on Cape Cod and the islands of Nantucket and Martha’s Vineyard. A hub of sporting activity, the 2004 and 2007 World Series Champion Boston Red Sox have called fabled Fenway Park home since 1912. The 2008 NBA Champion Boston Celtics and NHL’s Boston Bruins also call Beantown home while the 2002, 2004 and 2005 Super Bowl Champion New England Patriots and MLS’ New England Revolution play outside of the city in Foxboro’s Gillette Stadium.

**PROVIDENCE (51 miles)**

Rhode Island’s capital city shows that one of the nation’s smallest states also has plenty to offer its visitors. The multi-cultural capital city, which dates back to 1636, is the Ocean State’s centerpiece. The best known hamlet on the Rhode Island shore, the ocean town of Newport is world famous for its mansions and is a popular vacation destination for those seeking aquatic activities. Newport’s renowned music festival is also a well-attended annual event.
Progress Continues on the New Downtown

Main Street is the heart and the soul of a community, a place to meet friends for lunch, to run daily errands, to enjoy the local music scene, or to buy a newspaper to read while sipping your morning coffee. Main Street is the magic that can transform a street into a neighborhood, buildings into a village, or a small town into a regional destination.

Progress continues on a new Main Street for the Town of Mansfield and the University of Connecticut. Storrs Center will be a new town center in Mansfield, adjacent to the University. Master developer LeylandAlliance and its team are working closely with a consortium of civic, business, and university representatives that comprises the Mansfield Downtown Partnership, Inc. With the Partnership’s guidance and enthusiastic input, the team is working together towards the creation of a great new town center.

Storrs Center will be a mixed-use village that will occupy about 15 acres of the overall 45-acre property, with the remainder of the site reserved for open space. The town plan will knit architecture, pedestrian-oriented streets, small lanes, and public spaces into a series of small neighborhoods. Storrs Center will combine retail, restaurant, and office uses with a variety of residence types including town homes, condominium apartments, and rental apartments. Structured and surface parking will be provided.

In addition to the numerous retail, restaurant, commercial, and residential uses that will make up Storrs Center, mixed-use and free standing building types may include a variety of civic and community spaces such as community meeting spaces, educational and classroom spaces, and exhibition spaces. The project will be distinguished by two squares, small parks and terraces, and the large, adjacent conservation area. The project is surrounded by University and Town facilities including the UConn’s School of Fine Arts, Mansfield’s Town Hall, Mansfield Community Center, E.O. Smith High School, and the Post Office.

Local zoning approvals were granted in the summer of 2007. Construction can begin once state and federal permits are approved and funding for public infrastructure is in place.

For more information, please visit www.storrscenter.com or contact the Mansfield Downtown Partnership at 860-429-2740 or mdp@mansfieldct.org.
It has long been known as the “Insurance Capital of the World” and it serves as a daily busy hub for some of the most dynamic corporations in the nation. It also serves as the home for UConn football at Rentschler Field and a home-away-from-home for the UConn men’s and women’s basketball teams at the XL Center.

The City of Hartford, Connecticut’s state capital, and the Greater Hartford region are ranked highly for workforce productivity, accessibility, income levels, technology, education, the arts and heritage. Hartford is resource-rich with desirable residential real estate, communications, infrastructure, parkland and nature trails, health care and public safety.

The city serves as the headquarters for several Fortune 500 companies, including United Technologies Corporation, The Hartford Financial Services Group, Aetna, Inc., and Northeast Utilities. Hartford employs seven times more people in the insurance field than the average metropolitan area. Among those employers are Aetna, Hartford Steam Boiler, ING, CIGNA, Travelers and The Phoenix Companies.

Hartford has also attracted many significant businesses in other industries including aerospace, precision machinery, information technology and health and medical. Four of the nations Top 25 Companies For Executive Women, as recognized by Executive Female, are located in Hartford.

The newest attraction in Hartford opened in 2005 with the debut of the Connecticut Convention Center — a $230 million, 1.6 million-square-foot convention facility that is one of a series of projects that is bringing new life to the city.

In terms of economic development, Hartford has received $750 million in public investment and $2 billion in private investment over a seven-period to make the city and region an even better place to work and live.

Hartford ranks among the top six percent of North American regions for the arts. Greater Hartford is home to nearly 200 arts, cultural and heritage organizations, including the Bushnell Center for the Performing Arts, the Hartford Stage company, the Connecticut Opera, the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art and the Mark Twain House and Museum Center.

One of the hubs of downtown activity in Hartford is the XL Center, which is also the home facility for the Hartford Wolfpack of the American Hockey League. Each year, the finest golfers in the world compete at The Travelers Championship, which is played at Cromwell’s Tournament Players Club at River Highlands and is part of the PGA Tour’s FedEx Cup.
The UConn Division of Athletics sponsors 24 sports that compete on the NCAA Division I level and is a member of the BIG EAST Conference. UConn has won eight NCAA Championships since 1990 and has won 83 BIG EAST regular season or tournament championships.

The UConn field hockey team advanced to the NCAA national semifinals for the second consecutive year in 2007.

The men’s basketball team earned a spot in the NCAA Championship in 2008 and is a two-time national champion.

UCONN ATHLETICS

The UConn football team won the BIG EAST Championship in 2007 and advanced to its second bowl game in four years.
The Husky men’s soccer team advanced to the NCAA quarterfinals in 2007 and won both the BIG EAST regular season and tournament championships.

The women’s soccer team made its way to the NCAA quarterfinals in 2007 with all of its tournament games on the road.

The women’s swimming and diving team represented the school in two events at the 2008 NCAA Championship.

The men’s indoor track and field team won the BIG EAST and New England titles in 2008.

Courtney Haney of the women’s swimming and diving team represented the school in two events at the 2008 NCAA Championship.

The women’s indoor track and field team won the BIG EAST, New England and ECAC indoor championships – as well as the ECAC outdoor title.

The Husky women’s basketball team made its ninth trip to the NCAA Final Four in 2008.
Thanks to alumnus Mark R. Shenkman, the University of Connecticut now joins the ranks of major universities nationwide with an indoor training facility that is utilized by UConn’s varsity sports teams and recreational services.

His $2.5 million gift, one of the largest ever to the UConn Division of Athletics, built an intercollegiate and recreational service facility that serves the entire UConn community.

The 85,000 square foot Mark R. Shenkman Training Center is the newest and most modern facility of its kind in the country. Construction on the facility began in the fall of 2004 and the Mark R. Shenkman Training Center opened in the summer of 2006. It features a 120-yard long state-of-the-art FieldTurf playing surface.

The Mark R. Shenkman Training Center becomes the University’s first project certified as meeting the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards for “green” buildings. LEED designation is a process certifying that a building project meets a wide range of environmentally friendly criteria. This new construction marks the first college or university athletic project in the nation to earn the designation.

The UConn Division of Athletics received the Environmental Leadership Award from the University of Connecticut for the work performed at the Mark R. Shenkman Training Center. The site of the Mark R. Shenkman Training Center includes rain garden and bio-retention swales that retain storm water runoff, minimize downstream impacts, and remove stormwater pollutants naturally through soil and plants. Fifty-percent of the construction site was preserved as open spaces and there is full cut-off lighting to reduce exterior light pollution. There is also drought-tolerant native landscaping that do not require irrigation.

A resident of Greenwich, Connecticut, Shenkman graduated from the Wilbraham & Monson Academy in Wilbraham, Mass. He received a bachelor’s degree in political science from UConn in 1965 followed by a master’s degree in business administration from The George Washington University. Shenkman is the founder and president of Shenkman Capital Management, Inc., a registered investment advisor with offices in New York City and Stamford, Connecticut. He served on the UConn Foundation’s Board of Directors for nine years and is now an emeritus director. He is also a member of that group’s investment committee. Shenkman was elected to the UConn School of Business Hall of Fame in 2002 and has endowed a classroom and the e-Commerce Chair for the business school.

“We are very grateful to Mark and Rosalind Shenkman and their entire family for this significant enhancement to our athletic program,” says UConn Director of Athletics Jeff Hathaway. “This landmark facility provides all of our varsity teams with an outstanding training venue while adding to our recreational services offerings.”

Director of Athletics Jeff Hathaway, Mark Shenkman, Head Men’s Basketball Coach Jim Calhoun and Senior Athletics Advisor Dee Rowe.
UCONN ATHLETIC FACILITIES

Rentschler Field
Home of football

The Mark R. Shenkman
Training Center

The Burton Family
Football Complex

Harry R. Gampel Pavilion
Home of men’s and women’s basketball

XL Center
Home of men’s and women’s basketball

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Mark Edward Freitas Ice Forum
Home of men’s and women’s ice hockey

J.O. Christian Field
Home of baseball

Connecticut Softball Stadium
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Wolff-Zackin Natatorium
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Coventry Lake
Home of rowing

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UConn Tennis Courts
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Jeff Hathaway has played a vital role in the success story of athletics at the University of Connecticut for 17 of the past 19 years. Hathaway is in his sixth year as Director of Athletics at UConn and he was the Executive Associate Director of Athletics at the school from 1990-2001.

In his only two years away from the Storrs campus, Hathaway enjoyed a successful tenure as the Director of Athletics at Colorado State University from 2002-03.

His first five years as UConn's Director of Athletics have arguably been the most successful in school history. In the 2007-08 academic year, the football team won the BIG EAST Championship and participated in a bowl game for the second time in four years, the women's basketball team played in the NCAA Final Four and the field hockey team advanced to the national championship semifinals for the second consecutive year. In addition, both the men’s and women's soccer teams played in the NCAA quarterfinals and the men’s basketball team advanced to the NCAA Tournament. BIG EAST Conference championships were won by the field hockey, men’s soccer, women’s basketball and men’s and women’s indoor track and field teams.

UConn successfully completed the NCAA certification process in 2007-08. The institution was previously certified, once every 10 years as set forth by the NCAA, in 1998. Hathaway provided leadership for a comprehensive, year-long self study of the operations in the Division of Athletics, a site visit by a peer review team, a NCAA certification committee’s review of the self-study and a report by the peer review team.

This past year also saw the Division reach new long-term agreements with two of its media partners - Connecticut Public Television for women’s basketball and WTIC radio for football and men’s and women’s basketball. UConn also completed a landmark ten-year, $46 million corporate partnership agreement with Nike, Inc. to exclusively provide footwear, apparel and equipment for Husky athletics.

In addition to his leadership role at UConn, Hathaway began a five-year term in 2007-08 on the prestigious NCAA Division I Men’s Basketball Committee representing the BIG EAST Conference. As a member of the ten-person committee, Hathaway takes part in the selection and administration of the NCAA Men’s Basketball Championship and the administration of the CBS television contract. He is only the fourth individual in the history of the BIG EAST Conference to serve on the committee, joining Dave Gavitt, Jake Crouthamel and Mike Tranghese.

Hathaway is a member of the Division I-A Athletic Directors Association Board of Trustees. In June of 2008, he was also appointed to a four-year term on the Executive Committee of the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA).

Some significantly historic achievements have occurred during Hathaway’s time as Director of Athletics. UConn became the first school to win the NCAA Division I men’s and women’s basketball championships in the same year (2004) and the football team was victorious in its first ever bowl game - the 2004 Motor City Bowl.

Private fundraising for UConn athletics continues to reach new heights in providing exceptional academic and athletic opportunities for student-athletes. Hathaway has helped ensure the stability of the Division as he has overseen long-term contract extensions for men’s basketball coach Jim Calhoun, women’s basketball coach Geno Auriemma and football coach Randy Edsall. UConn has the distinction of being the only school in the nation with two active

The Hathaway family (left to right) Jeff, Meghan, Michael and Paula.
Jeff Hathaway is joined by the inaugural class of men's basketball Huskies of Honor at the conclusion of the halftime ceremony on February 5, 2007.

Hathaway originally came to Connecticut in November of 1990 as Senior Associate Athletic Director. In that role, he oversaw the day-to-day operations of the Division of Athletics. He served internally as a program administrator for several sports, including men’s and women’s basketball and men’s and women’s soccer at UConn as the Huskies won four national championships in those sports during his tenure - two in women's basketball (1995 and 2000) and one each in men's basketball (1999) and men's soccer (2000).

Hathaway was also the program administrator for football. He played a critical role in the upgrade of the football program to Division I-A status as UConn became the first ever school to transition from the I-AA level to a BCS football conference.

During Hathaway's tenure at Colorado State, he oversaw a 15-sport program - nine women's teams and six men's. The Ram football team made a pair of bowl appearances while Hathaway was at CSU. The men's basketball team won the Mountain West Conference tournament in March of '03 and advanced to the NCAA tournament for the first time in 13 years. The women's basketball team advanced to postseason play twice, including a trip to the second round of the NCAA tournament in 2002 and the semifinals of the 2003 Women's NIT.

Hathaway was an extremely successful fundraiser during his time in Fort Collins. The school drew national attention for a $15.2 million gift from the Bohemian Foundation and president Pat Stryker for football stadium renovations and expansion.

Prior to his first stint at UConn, Hathaway served in a number of capacities at his alma mater - the University of Maryland - from 1982-90, including Assistant Athletics Director for Marketing and Promotions, Acting Assistant Athletics Director for Business Affairs, Athletics Business Manager and men's basketball trainer.

Hathaway earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Athletic Administration from the University of Maryland and is currently continuing work on a PhD in Educational Leadership from the University of Connecticut.

He attended The Sports Management Institute at the Universities of Notre Dame and Southern California. Hathaway also completed the Management Development Program at Harvard University.

Born June 20, 1959, in Cheverly, Md., Hathaway and his wife Paula have two children: Meghan (October 15, 1991) and Michael (June 11, 1995).
The official mascot of the University of Connecticut is a Siberian Husky dog named Jonathan. The first Husky dog came to the Storrs campus in Dec. 1934 and the puppy was named for Jonathan Trumbull, Governor of Connecticut during the Revolutionary War. Jonathan I’s pedigree was traced back to include a great-grandfather, who traveled to the North Pole with Admiral E. Byrd in 1909. Jonathan III was with Admiral Byrd when he undertook “Operation High Jump” to the Antarctic in 1946-47.

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**SCHOOL COLORS**

The official colors of the University of Connecticut are National Flag Blue and White. To be specific, the blue is listed as PMS 289, a deep shade of navy.

**STAND UNTIL THEY SCORE**

Enthusiastic UConn fans and students are known for supporting their team in a way known as “Huskymania.” Part of “Huskymania” includes the standing and rhythmic clapping by fans at the Hartford Civic Center and Harry A. Gampel Pavilion until UConn scores its first basket of the first and second halves.

**UCONN BASKETBALL TRADITIONS**

**JONATHAN THE HUSKY MASCOT**

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**“UCONN HUSKY” FIGHT SONG**

“UConn Husky” is the fight song of the school. It was written in the mid-1930’s by Herb France, who was UConn’s Director of Music until the mid-1950’s. The song is widely known for its playing at different sporting events, but got “out of this world” attention in October 1989 when it was played aboard NASA’s Space Shuttle to wake up the shuttle astronauts. Among those astronauts on the mission was Franklin Chang-Diaz, a 1973 UConn graduate.

**UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT ALMA MATER**

Once more, as we gather today
To sing our alma mater’s praise
And join in the fellowship strong
That inspires our college days.

We’re backing our teams in the strife
Cheering them to victory.

We pledge anew
To old Connecticut,
Our steadfast spirit of loyalty.

Connecticut, Connecticut
Thy sons and daughters true
Unite to honor thy name
Our fairest white and blue.

When time shall have severed us far
And the years their changes bring,
The thought of the college we love
In our memories will cling.

For friendships that ever remain
And associations dear
We’ll raise a song
To old Connecticut
And join our voices in our long cheer.

Connecticut, Connecticut
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**MEN’S BASKETBALL FACES BEHIND THE SCENES**

Christina Buccheri
Program Aide

Justin Evanovich
Graduate Student Manager

Dave Kaplan
Director of Video Services

Neal Kearney
Cheerleading Advisor

Bill Sehl
Gampel Pavilion Engineer

Ben Wood
Head Manager
The sights and sounds of more than a century of intercollegiate athletics competition come alive during a visit to the J. Robert Donnelly Husky Heritage Sports Museum.

Located in the UConn Alumni Center in the heart of the University of Connecticut’s main campus in Storrs, the Husky Heritage Sports Museum is the ultimate library documenting the wide-ranging successes of Connecticut's athletic programs.

The state-of-the-art design and layout of the 2,700 square foot Husky Heritage Sports Museum, named after benefactor and 1940 Connecticut basketball and football captain J. Robert (Bob) Donnelly, vividly captures all of the energy, excitement and enthusiasm that is associated with “Huskymania.” Donnelly passed away on Sept. 26, 2005.

The visitors’ UConn experience begins with the University of Connecticut “National Champions” Gallery. This unique museum addition, located in the entrance foyer of the Husky Heritage Sports Museum, was unveiled in December of 2004 and serves as a permanent tribute to all University of Connecticut varsity teams that climbed to the mountaintop and earned the right to be called National Champions.

Currently, a total of 12 national champion squads, representing four different UConn sports, have team photos and national championship logos on display in the National Champions gallery.

Included in the National Champions Gallery is the unbeaten 1948 men’s soccer team of Coach John Squires, the 1981 and 1985 UConn women’s field hockey teams of Coach Diane Wright, the 1981 men’s soccer team of Coach Joe Morrone, the 2000 men’s soccer team of Coach Ray Reid, the five national championship women’s basketball teams of Coach Geno Auriemma (1995, 2000, 2002, 2003, 2004), and the 1999 and 2004 UConn men’s basketball teams of Coach Jim Calhoun.

Upon entering the Husky Heritage Sports Museum, visitors are greeted by a full figure statue of Jonathan, the legendary mascot of all Husky athletic teams.

Oversized banners proudly hang from the ceiling, displaying action images that feature 88 of Connecticut’s All-American stars representing 17 different intercollegiate sports.

Included among the “must see” memorabilia in the Husky Heritage Sports Museum main concourse are the 2004 Motor City Bowl Championship Trophy; the 1981 and 2000 NCAA National Championship Men’s Soccer trophies; the 1981 and 1985 NCAA National Championship Women’s Field Hockey trophies; the 1950s era baseball gloves belonging to Connecticut’s three Dropo brothers— including Walt Dropo’s first baseman’s mitt when he was the American League Rookie of the Year with the Boston Red Sox in 1950; the 1935 Ramnapping Trophy, awarded annually to the winner of the Connecticut-Rhode Island football game; a 1931 football signed by the entire Connecticut squad; team photos of Connecticut’s first men’s (1901) and women’s (1902) basketball teams; the 1935 Ramnapping Trophy, awarded annually to the winner of the Connecticut-Rhode Island football game; a 1931 football signed by the entire Connecticut squad; team photos of Connecticut’s first men’s (1901) and women’s (1902) basketball teams; the Waterford Crystal NCAA National Championship trophies won by UConn Women’s Basketball (1995, 2000, 2002, 2003, 2004) and UConn Men’s Basketball (1999, 2004).

The pinnacle achievement of UConn’s seven NCAA National Championships in both men’s and women’s basketball is preserved and promoted in a unique circular sanctuary—the Connecticut Basketball Rotunda.

Championship trophies and related artifacts that chronicle UConn’s men’s and women’s national titles are prominently featured in the rotunda, as are life-size cutouts of Husky All-American stars Ray Allen and Rebecca Lobo. Celebratory paintings of head coaches Jim Calhoun and Geno Auriemma are on display along with a one-of-a-kind watercolor team photo of the 25-member UConn Men’s Basketball All-Century team.

Also within the Husky Heritage Sports Museum experience is a six-screen video wall offering behind-the-scenes looks at various UConn Athletics “winning moments” as captured on a variety of Husky highlight films and documentaries.

The J. Robert Donnelly Husky Heritage Sports Museum is open free of charge to the general public during regular business hours (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) at the UConn Alumni Center.

Since the Husky Heritage Sports Museum opened in January of 2002, several important artifacts have been donated from UConn loyalists to help expand the scope of the Connecticut Athletics storyline.

The University of Connecticut Division of Athletics continues to seek additional memorabilia/artifacts to help expand the story of the UConn Huskies. Anyone wishing to donate specific Connecticut Athletics items to the J. Robert Donnelly Husky Heritage Sports Museum should contact: Tim Tolokan, Associate Director of Athletics/Licensing and Athletic Traditions, Phone: (860) 486-9097, email: tim.tolokan@uconn.edu.
The University of Connecticut is committed to each of its basketball players, and all of its student-athletes, as a total person. Participation in athletics is important, but it represents only one aspect of a basketball player's college experience. At the University of Connecticut, academic achievement is the primary concern. Impressively, for the past four years the Connecticut student-athlete retention rate has been 99.0 percent.

The University's commitment to the student-athlete is a dual one. Participation on the basketball court is not viewed as an obstacle to the attainment of one's educational goals, rather it is seen as a complementary activity. Each supports the other. Athletic excellence is stressed, but academic achievement is never compromised - indeed, it is given the utmost priority.

The University realizes that basketball players and all student-athletes, due to their academic involvement, are required to commit a large percentage of their personal time to University sponsored athletic activities. For this reason, the University recognizes the need for a support program for its intercollegiate athletes. The Counseling Program for Intercollegiate Athletes (CPIA) constantly assists all student-athletes in achieving their academic goals.

In serving as a liaison between the Connecticut student-athletes and University faculty and staff, the CPIA counselors also provide assistance in securing appropriate support services available with the University. These include orientation for student-athletes, supervised study halls, individual tutors and tutorial centers (an English/Writing Center, Math Center and Reading Center) and learning skills seminars.

For the past six years, the writing lab and computers have been networked to a national database which allow all student-athletes to do research at their actual computer stations.

A counselor is assigned to work with each intercollegiate team and working directly with the UConn men's basketball program as a Faculty Advisor within CPIA is Dr. Theodore (Ted) Taigen, Associate Professor of Biology at the University of Connecticut.

Dr. Taigen monitors all aspects of each UConn basketball player's academic life, including class schedule, arranging for tutors and progress toward a degree. The goal for each Husky basketball student-athlete is to earn a degree so he can become a success in whatever field he chooses. Dr. Taigen's office and the study lab used by the UConn men's basketball team are located adjacent to the men's basketball offices in the Harry A. Gampel Pavilion.

Dr. Taigen earned both his undergraduate and master's degrees from Colorado State University and added a Ph.D. in 1981 from Cornell University. He has been a member of the UConn faculty since 1981 and his field of specialization is Physiological Ecology.

He has written two books, "Hands on Biology", and "Biology Write Now!", both published by McGraw-Hill.

In June of 1998, Dr. Taigen served as the presenter in St. Petersburg, FL when Dr. Leigh Curl, a University of Connecticut women's basketball star during her undergraduate years and a student of Dr. Taigen's, was inducted into the prestigious CoSIDA Academic All-America Hall of Fame. Dr. Curl, an orthopedic surgeon, currently is head team physician for the Baltimore Ravens of the National Football League.
The Department of Sports Medicine in the University of Connecticut Division of Athletics works as an integrated multidisciplinary team whose purpose is to provide the optimal, safe environment for the basketball student-athletes to train and participate in their sport. The staff takes great pride in the individual attention paid to each student-athlete. They are devoted to preventing injury, rapidly diagnosing and treating injury, and maximizing athletic performance. The disciplines of athletic training, strength and conditioning, sports medicine, orthopaedic sports medicine, optometry, nutrition, exercise physiology, and psychology work in concert to provide comprehensive care for the basketball student-athlete.

The team is spearheaded by James Doran, MS, ATC, the Men’s Basketball Head Athletic Trainer and University of Connecticut Assistant Athletic Trainer. Prior to his appointment with the Huskies, James worked with the Men’s Basketball and Football programs at the University of Wyoming for seven years. He received his Bachelor’s degree in Kinesiology-Athlete Training from San Diego State University while completing an Internship at the University of San Diego. He received his Master’s degree in Exercise Science from the University of Wyoming while completing a Graduate Assistantship there as well.


The Department of Sports Medicine works intimately with the Departments of Kinesiology and Nutritional Sciences on the University of Connecticut campus. This affords the student-athletes with the input of several nationally recognized exercise scientists. This cooperation also keeps the sports medicine staff at the cutting edge of developments in the fields of human performance and sports nutrition. Members of the sports medicine staff are actively engaged in research that directly benefits the care of the basketball student-athletes.

The UConn Basketball Sports Medicine team is housed in state-of-the-art facilities in the Harry A. Gampel Pavilion.

In addition to providing the finest in medical care for the UConn basketball program, the Department of Sports Medicine at the University of Connecticut administers to the daily needs of 600 male and female intercollegiate student-athletes who are competing in 24 different varsity programs.

The Department of Sports Medicine at the University of Connecticut plays a critical role in assuring that all UConn student-athletes have 24-hour access to the finest medical support and quality health care possible. Through patient care and ongoing research and education, the department continues to provide Husky teams a competitive edge from the medical perspective.
The strength and conditioning program for the University of Connecticut Division of Athletics is coordinated by UConn Strength and Conditioning Coordinator Jerry Martin. Associate Head Coach Chris West works with the men’s basketball program and oversees its strength and conditioning work. The UConn strength and conditioning program benefits all 24 of Connecticut’s intercollegiate teams.

Prior to his appointment at UConn, West served as Strength and Conditioning Coordinator at Saint Louis University. West also has experience in the professional ranks after serving internships with the Oakland Raiders and Los Angeles Kings, as well as a graduate assistantship with the Seattle Seahawks. He earned his Bachelors Degree from California State University at Long Beach in Physical Education and his Masters Degree in Exercise and Movement Science from the University of Oregon. West holds certifications from the National Strength and Conditioning Association as Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist, the National Athletic Training Association as a Certified Athletic Trainer and United States Weightlifting as a Club Coach.

West supervises a specific strength and conditioning program for each individual player for year-round training. Each program is manipulated to fulfill the specific needs of the individual based upon the demands of their position, and the individual’s present fitness levels. Specific testing is done to each student-athlete to monitor progress in strength, power, speed, anaerobic conditioning and agility. These tests provide the coaches and medical staff with an accurate athletic profile on each player.

There is much more to enhancing the performance of Husky student-athletes than merely strength and conditioning though. The saying goes that “you are what you eat” and what goes inside the person on a daily basis is of equal importance and receives exceptionally high care at Connecticut.

The relationship between nutrition and performance is well recognized by the UConn sports medicine staff where there is an integrated approach in the provision of nutrition services to the student athlete. The sports nutrition program is under the direction of Dr. Nancy Rodriguez and is comprehensive in its approach. Dr. Rodriguez and members of the sport nutrition team, Courtney Gaine, RD and Jen Ketterly, MS, RD, provide sport-specific lectures regarding nutrition and performance to the athletic teams and develop nutrition education materials for the student athletes. Student-athletes have the opportunity for one-on-one nutrition counseling, individualized diet design for enhanced performance, gains in lean body mass, and weight management. The sports nutrition program assists student athletes in developing healthy eating patterns that they can maintain throughout their lives.

Dr. Rodriguez works closely with dining services on behalf of the athletic teams to implement performance-based menu options. Menu recommendations have been developed for teams during extended road trips and performance nutrition directives are in place for competitive performance and optimal recovery. A unique aspect of the sports nutrition program is the consistent integration of nutrition services with those provided by strength and conditioning and athletic training personnel.
The UConn Athletic Development Fund is extremely grateful to our Endowed Scholarship Donors. For more information on the UConn Athletic Development Fund, please call (860) 486-3863.
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