

HONORS PROGRAM

2016-2017 FACT SHEET



THE HONORS PROGRAM PILLARS

CHALLENGING ACADEMICS

- ▲ Honors seminars taught by leading faculty members
- ▲ Smaller Honors classes with peers
- ▲ Interdisciplinary Honors Core courses
- ▲ Required Honors thesis/project
- ▲ Enrollment in graduate courses
- ▲ Priority registration (by academic level)
- ▲ Graduate student library privileges

PERSONALIZED ENVIRONMENT

- ▲ Faculty advisors in each discipline
- ▲ Thesis supervisors as research mentors in academic disciplines
- ▲ Honors advisor for undecided, pre-education, and pre-pharmacy majors
- ▲ Honors STEM advisor
- ▲ Honors staff advisors
- ▲ Pre-law, pre-medicine, and pre-dental school guidance

HONORS COMMUNITY

- ▲ Honors housing options by class year
- ▲ Lectures, presentations, workshops, and cultural events
- ▲ Mentoring and networking at events with faculty and distinguished guests
- ▲ Leadership in student-run organizations and initiatives
- ▲ Alumni connections

ENGAGEMENT BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

- ▲ Honors Education Abroad/Away (e.g. Cape Town, Singapore, Spain, and the DC internship)
- ▲ Peer mentoring and leadership training
- ▲ Undergraduate research opportunities
- ▲ Mentoring for prestigious national and international scholarship and fellowship competitions

HONORS FIRST-YEAR STUDENT PROFILE (Fall 2016)

Enrollment: 517 first-year students
Average SAT Score: 1402 (Critical Reading + Math)
 (1450 - New SAT Equivalent)
Average ACT Score: 32
Average Class Rank: 95%
In-State: 67%
Out-of-State: 33%
Female: 51%
Male: 49%
Valedictorians: 30
Salutatorians: 20
Merit-based Awards: 97%

HONORS ENROLLMENT

Total Honors Enrollment: **2,146**

Academic Center for Exploratory Students	121
College of Agriculture	149
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences	982
School of Business	196
School of Business/School of Engineering	21
Neag School of Education	26
School of Engineering	528
School of Fine Arts	40
School of Nursing	37
School of Pharmacy	46

OPPORTUNITIES FOR RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- ▲ Honors Scholar thesis/project requirement (with individual thesis advisors)
- ▲ Frontiers in Undergraduate Research poster exhibitions give students experience presenting research
- ▲ UConn IDEA Grants support innovative, student-designed projects
- ▲ Various grants fund supplies, travel, and projects, including full-time summer research. In 2015-16, the Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR) disbursed over \$387,000 in support for student research and creative activity across its funding programs.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

UConn students are prime candidates for competitive national and international scholarship and fellowship competitions. In addition to many nominations, UConn students have won many prestigious awards, including:

(Data taken between 2006 to 2016)

Marshall (3), Mitchell (1), Goldwater (14), Fulbright (32), Udall (5), Truman (2), NSF Grad (50), Phi Kappa Phi (4), NSEP Boren (2), Pearson National Fellow (1), Cambridge International Scholarship (1), Benjamin Gilman (12), Critical Language (6), NOAA Hollings (4), DOE SCG (1), NASA Grad (6), SMART (3), NCHC Portz (5), Pickering (1)

RECENT GRADUATION STATISTICS

(August 2015, December 2015, & May 2016)

- ▲ Honors Scholars 345
- ▲ University Scholars 27

GRADUATING FROM HONORS

- ▲ Completion of scholarly thesis/project as defined by academic discipline
- ▲ Honors Medals Ceremony for seniors with recognition by the University President
- ▲ Graduation medallions worn by Honors graduates at Commencement and recognition in the Commencement program as "Honors Scholar"
- ▲ "Honors Scholar" on transcripts and diplomas

WHERE SOME RECENT HONORS SCHOLARS HAVE ACCEPTED OPPORTUNITIES

Graduate School

Brown, Caltech, Carnegie Mellon, Columbia, Cornell, Dartmouth, Duke, Harvard, MIT, NYU, Princeton, UConn, University of Michigan, Yale

Professional School

Boston University (Med, Law), Columbia, Cornell (Vet), Georgetown, Duke (Med), Florida (Vet), Harvard (Med, Law), Johns Hopkins (Med), Tufts (Med), UConn (Med, Dent, Law), Virginia (Vet), Yale (Med, Law)

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS | Learn more at enrichment.uconn.edu

HONORS PROGRAM

Provides motivated undergraduates from all disciplines a framework to excel at the highest level. Special programs include:

- ▲ **Special Programs in Law, Medicine, Dental Medicine, or Pharmacy**

Partnerships for conditional admission to the UConn School of Law, UConn Health Center, or UConn Pharm.D. Program (for selected first-year Honors students)

- ▲ **John and Valerie Rowe Health Professions Scholars Program**

Scholarships, mentors, and other funding for underrepresented in-state undergraduates interested in health care

- ▲ **STEM Scholars**

Scholarships, mentors, internships, and seminars for select STEM undergraduates

- ▲ **Holster First Year Project**

Research grants for select freshmen the summer after their first year

OFFICE OF UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

Assists students in all disciplines, across, all campuses, interested in research and creative activity

OFFICE OF NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

Recruits and mentors students as they compete for prestigious scholarships and fellowships

PRE-PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS

Provide direction and advice to UConn students and alumni interested in medical, dental, or law professional programs

INDIVIDUALIZED MAJOR PROGRAM

Works with students with interests beyond available majors at UConn, helping them create their own majors, with help from advisors and committee approval

UNIVERSITY SCHOLAR PROGRAM

Selects no more than 30 juniors annually to complete major pieces of research or creative work under the guidance of a faculty committee