

Resources

Academic Resources

Academic Resource Center (F2)

- The Academic Resource Center (ARC) provides students with tutoring, workshops and group study sessions to help you reach your highest potential.
- The center offers academic assistance and help with professional oral and written communication and presentation, time management, critical thinking and research, and study skills.
- The ARC is located on the second floor of Shain Library (F2) and includes group meeting rooms and tutoring stations.



Office of Career and Professional Development (E4)

- The Office of Career and Professional Development, located across Mohegan Avenue in Vinal Cottage and in a satellite office at Main Street West, offers a four-year comprehensive career and professional development program.
- Dedicated career advisers connect with all first-year students through their First-Year Seminars and continue to work with students in partnership with skillfully trained career fellows. Advisers assist students with translating their Conn experience into discoveries that might provide insight into possible career interests. Advisers also help build practical tools such as resume-building, professional communication, interview preparation, internship search strategies, graduate school and fellowship applications.
- Through the Funded Internship Program, all students may be eligible for College funding to support an internship during the summer between the junior and senior years.

Roth Writing Center (F2)

- Located in Blaustein 214, the Roth Writing Center offers one-on-one peer tutoring by appointment or on a walk-in basis and welcomes writers of all levels.
- Tutors can help you with any element of writing, from grammar to organization to pitching your ideas. They can even help you brainstorm if you haven't started yet!
- It's open weekdays when classes are in session and during exam periods. All services are free of charge. Students can use the center to help with any courses that involve writing.

Student Accessibility Services (F2)

- Located in the Academic Resource Center, Student Accessibility Services provides information and services for students with disabilities and makes referrals to appropriate campus resources.
- This office registers students with disabilities and coordinates requests for accommodations as well as on-campus services for registered students.

Otto and Fran Walter Commons for Global Study and Engagement (F2)

The new Walter Commons, located in Blaustein Humanities Building, is a vibrant hub for global learning, providing a dynamic venue for the entire campus to engage in critical dialogues, presentations and symposia around themes of global significance.

Here you'll find:

- **These Offices:** The Office of Global Initiatives, the Global Learning Lab, Office of Study Away, CISLA and CCSRE.
- **Engagement Advising:** Drop-in hours and individual appointments to discuss off-campus learning and engagement opportunities.
- **Language Study Support:** The Global Learning Lab hosts language study groups and weekly language and culture events.
- **Fellowships and Grants:** Information and advising on fellowship and other funding opportunities.
- **Technology:** Technology for collaborative study and small group presentations as well as a teaching space that connects students and faculty with colleagues around world.



Community Resources

There are many people and offices on campus that provide resources related to your health, wellness, safety and other support needs.

Diversity and Inclusion

LGBTQIA Center (G3)

- Located in Burdick House near the Architecture Studio, the center aims to serve the unique needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex and asexual (LGBTQIA) students.
- The center provides a supportive space, resource library, social events and educational programming, as well as a comfortable place for students to study, watch movies, talk and relax. Students enjoy free hot tea, snacks, video games and more!
- It also serves as a home to Conn's Queer Peer mentorship program, matching interested underclass students with upperclass mentors who can serve as a supportive resource and connection to LGBTQIA life here on campus. For more information, please email lgbtqia@conncoll.edu.

Womxn's Center (G3)

- Located on the garden level of Smith/Burdick House, the center aims to serve the unique needs of womxn-identified students at Conn by providing a supportive space, resource library, social events and educational programming.
- The center offers comfortable couches, Keurig coffee, a TV, video games and plenty of books related to gender and sexuality.
- Curious about the 'x' in Womxn? We intentionally use this more inclusive spelling to both highlight and honor the myriad ways womxnhood can intersect with other identities.

Unity House (G4)

- Conn's multicultural center supports underrepresented and first-generation college students through mentoring and culturally relevant programming.
- It contains a resource library, classrooms, kitchen and multipurpose room that students, staff and faculty can reserve.
- The multipurpose room is a great place to relax and watch TV as well as hold meetings, banquets and discussions.

Genesis Peer Mentor Program

- The Genesis program provides weekly study groups, holistic advising and college empowerment workshops.
- The Genesis program matches first-year students of color and first-generation students with upperclass peer mentors to provide support as they navigate the Connecticut College experience.

Office of Religious and Spiritual Life

- To serve the spiritual and religious needs of students, faculty, staff, alumni and members of the surrounding community, the Office of Religious and Spiritual Life, based in Harkness Chapel and Zachs Hillel House, sponsors a variety of religion-specific and multifaith activities, programs and events.
- The College chaplains provide support and counsel for members of their faith groups.
- Harkness Chapel seats 400 people and is used by the College for religious services and special events. Its beauty, superb acoustics and accessibility make it the perfect venue for musical performances, a cappella concerts, recitals, organ lessons and lectures.
- The chapel library is a favorite spot for studying. There is a Muslim prayer space open to all members of the campus community located in the lower level of Harkness Chapel.
- Zachs Hillel House supports Jewish life and promotes intellectual, spiritual and social growth for the entire campus community. It features a multipurpose room for meals, lectures, meetings and studying; a kosher kitchen; a conference room; a small library; a recreation room with television, pool table, Ping-Pong table and board games.

Safety

Campus Safety (C4)

- Campus Safety Officers patrol the campus 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, which includes the controller/dispatcher at the gatehouse. Contact Campus Safety at 860-439-2222.
- Visit the Camel Card office (**G2**) for keys and Camel Cards. (Students other than first-years may also pick up motor vehicle parking decals here.)
- Visit Nichols House (**C4**), the Campus Safety main office, for bicycle registration, personal property registration, lost and found, and parking citation appeals.
- Emergency “Blue Light” phones are located throughout the campus. Connected directly to Campus Safety, they may be used to contact security for any reason, such as to call for an escort, to report a suspicious person or to report an emergency.
- Motor vehicle and parking regulations can be found online: <https://www.conncoll.edu/campus-life/campus-safety/parking-policies/>

Health and Wellness

Student Health Services (F2)

- Located in the Warnshuis Health Center, Student Health Services is a licensed outpatient clinic attending to the immediate primary health needs of all Connecticut College students.
- Our purpose is to help students maintain optimal general health through

the disciplines of physical and mental health, and health education. This is accomplished through a full-time staff and a variety of professional consultants in many disciplines.

- All professional services are delivered with attention to confidentiality.
- All students are required to maintain adequate health insurance. Information regarding health insurance requirements and options will be sent to students during the summer. **It is important for students to bring a copy of their health insurance card with them to campus in August.**
- When Student Health Services is closed, students may seek services at local walk-in clinics or, in cases of emergency, at our local hospital, Yale New Haven Health Lawrence & Memorial Hospital, located in New London. Where appropriate, follow-up care may be provided when Student Health Services is open.

Student Counseling Services (F2)

- Student Counseling Services is located in the Warnshuis Health Center.
- Personal counseling is offered by a staff of skilled and multiculturally competent mental health clinicians.
- Services are confidential and free of charge to all students. Consultation, crisis management and outreach is available.
- Medication evaluations and maintenance are provided by a consulting psychiatrist for a fee.
- Referrals to off-campus providers are available.
- Support groups are offered on a daily basis.
- After-hours on-call is available 24/7 during the academic year.

Office of Sexual Violence Prevention and Advocacy (G2)

- Located in Cro Room 222.
- Students can get information and advocacy on issues of sexual assault, dating/ domestic/intimate partner violence and stalking.
- The Director works closely with students to provide violence prevention education and programming on campus, including the bystander intervention program Green Dot, and advises SafetyNet peer educators.

Student Wellness and Alcohol/Drug Education (G2)

- The office of Student Wellness and Alcohol/Other Drug Education is located in Cro Room 223 and provides health and wellness information to help students succeed on campus.
- The office offers programming on health and wellness topics, including stress reduction, sleep, nutrition, and alcohol and other drug use.

International

International Student Center (F1)

- The center is located in the basement of Harkness Chapel.
- It features a small kitchen, meeting space and resources for international students.

International Adviser

- The IA is a student (usually a sophomore) who mentors students who are experiencing balancing two or more cultures.
- If you're a new international student (that is, you're a citizen of a country other than the United States, a dual citizen or a U.S. citizen who has been living abroad), you'll be assigned an IA over the summer, before you arrive on campus.
- Your IA will help you negotiate cultural differences as you transition into life on campus and in the United States.

International Student Host Family Program

- This program pairs international students with faculty and staff “host” families who act as mentors and friends. It is a wonderful way for both the student and the host family to learn more about each other's cultures and customs and take part in activities together.
- Activities may include getting together for a cup of coffee or lunch, or getting off campus for a shopping trip, a sporting event or to visit local places of interest. The program has proven to be a valuable experience and fun for both families and students.
- To be matched with a host family, contact the International Student Adviser at DOC@conncoll.edu.

Odyssey

- A pre-Orientation program for first-year international students and their families, including workshops on immigration and visa regulations, to help make the transition to Conn as smooth as possible.

Recreational

The Arboretum

- All 750 acres of campus are managed as an arboretum.
- The Native Plant Collection was established in 1931 and features trees, shrubs and vines; it also includes a wildflower garden and pond.
- An outdoor amphitheater provides rehearsal and performance space.
- Buck Lodge is used for gatherings and meetings by campus groups and visitors.
- The Caroline Black Garden, next to Vinal Cottage (E4), is one of the nationally recognized sections of the Arboretum.

- 200 acres of natural area (including Mamacoke Island and Bolleswood) and 400 acres of managed lands are great places to explore.
- It's a beautiful place to walk, hike, study, picnic or just sit and think.
- It's open every day until sunset. Maps and information are available at the Arboretum office on the first floor of Olin (**E3**).

Smith Game Room

- Play table games including foosball, table tennis, air hockey and pool.
- The room also has board games, a poker table, puzzles, televisions, an in-house sound system and comfy couches and chairs.

MOBROC

- MOBROC (Musicians Organized for Bands' Rights on Campus) is 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).
- Looking to start or join a band on campus? Check them out.

Sustainability

Office of Sustainability (B4)

- Sustainability is rooted in the College's educational mission and this office works to incorporate social equity, economic well-being and environmental stewardship into campus life.
- Students play a huge part in developing and achieving sustainability goals, and an even bigger part in planning and implementing sustainability programs on campus.
- Each year, intern and volunteer positions are available on our student teams: Food Systems, Waste Reduction, Energy, Climate and Transportation, Communications and Events, and the Sprout Garden.

Recycling on Campus

- The College collects mixed recycling in bins throughout campus.
- Accepted materials include office paper, newspaper, magazines, aluminum cans, steel cans, rigid plastic containers, cartons, and cardboard. Make sure to dump out liquids and food and rinse before placing items into a recycling bin.
- You'll find recycling bins both inside buildings and outside, always paired with a trash can.
- Questions about recycling? Contact sustainability@conncoll.edu

Library & Tech Resources

At Connecticut College, all your library and technological needs fall under one division: Information Services (IS).

IS includes reference librarians, archives, IT Service Desk, instructional technologists and network and administrative systems.

Libraries

Charles E. Shain Library (F2)

Shain Library is Connecticut College's main library. The recently renovated, award-winning building is located in the center of campus and is the hub of academic and social life on campus.

- At Shain, you'll have access to more than 1 million print volumes and e-books, an extensive collection of full text databases and academic journals, and DVDs. In addition, the library belongs to a consortium that allows the Conn community to borrow books from Trinity College and Wesleyan University, meaning 2 million titles are available to you through a daily delivery service.
- Shain Library is also home to computer labs and advanced technologies; study, lecture, collaboration and meeting space; the Charles Chu Asian Art Reading Room; the Blue Camel Cafe; and the Linda Lear Center for Special Collections and Archives. Fabulous librarians can help you with your research projects and point you to the resources you need.

Greer Music Library (D3)

Greer Music Library, located on the lower level of Cummings Arts Center, is the College's secondary library location and serves all students, not just those studying music and the arts.

- Check out books, scores, recordings and DVDs; use an array of computers and audio/visual equipment; use special software to compose music; or play an electric piano in the piano lab.
- Consult with knowledgeable and experienced library staff for help with music research; schedule a personal research consultation with the music librarian.

Surfing, Printing, Fixing and More

IT Service Desk

Have a problem with your computer or accessing the network? The IT Service Desk is located on the lower level of Shain Library and is staffed during the day and evening hours. Drop by to get your questions answered. You can also fill out a help ticket at webhelpdesk.conncoll.edu or call 860-439-4357 (HELP).

Printing

- You don't need to bring a printer to campus—you can print anything you need by emailing it, using your CC email address, to camelprint@conncoll.edu for black-and-white copies, and camelprint_color@conncoll.edu for color copies.
- Students can print to any College printer on campus. This includes printers in academic buildings, staff offices, libraries and other locations.
- All fully enrolled students receive \$30 in Printing Funds at the beginning of the academic year to print and copy documents.
- Black-and-white prints are 5 cents each, and single-sided color prints are 9 cents each.
- For information on student printing, go to www.conncoll.edu/printing-and-mailing.

Computer Labs and Research Spaces

- Two computer labs/electronic classrooms are located in Shain Library.
- Several smaller, discipline-specific labs are located throughout campus.
- Computer labs typically contain PC or Mac computers with printers, course software, scanners and other equipment.

Computer Software

- Many academic software applications are available for students to access throughout labs on campus and open access computers in Shain Library using their Camel username and password.
- Students are eligible to purchase several software packages for their personal computer at a significantly reduced price at connecticutcollege.onthehub.com.

Additional Resources

- The Advanced Technology Lab in Shain Library provides computing resources for training and completion of technology-intensive assignments or projects.
- The Digital Scholarship and Curriculum Center (DSCC) in Shain Library provides librarian and instructional technology support for using digital tools and resources in your research and scholarship.