

81 Things

TO DO BEFORE YOU GRADUATE

2019–2020
Stamford Edition

Prove You Bleed Blue

- 1. Kickoff your UConn experience with your class at the New Student Convocation
- 2. Attend a basketball game, football game, or other UConn athletic event
- 3. Take your picture with Jonathan the Mascot
- 4. Get your very own Husky at the annual “Stuff a Husky” event
- 5. Pet Jonathan XIV
- 6. Vote in a student election
- 7. Meet the UConn President and follow him on Instagram and Twitter @PrezTomKat
- 8. Attend a Student Government Association meeting to meet your SGA leadership
- 9. Get your gear at the UConn Bookstore

Prepare for Academic Success

- 10. Meet with your advisors and stay on track to graduate
- 11. Get a résumé critique or LinkedIn consultation from the Center for Career Development
- 12. Sign up for a group study room in the library during finals week
- 13. Attend your professors' office hours
- 14. Access thousands of eBooks and articles from the Library's website
- 15. Visit the W and Q centers in the library for a little extra help
- 16. Memorize the train schedule to avoid a failed commute to/from campus
- 17. Find your favorite study spot on campus
- 18. Take a one-credit KINS or UNIV course

Engage with the Stamford Campus

- 19. Have a conversation with your faculty member outside of class (even better if it's not about their academic discipline!)
- 20. Attend Coffee Hour with the Campus Director
- 21. Stamford is “The City that Works.” Snag a great internship just steps from campus!
- 22. Read the “This Week on Campus” and the “Daily Digest” emails to keep informed
- 23. Challenge your friends to ping pong or a chess match on the concourse
- 24. Take a power nap on the third floor
- 25. Schedule a research consultation with your librarian
- 26. Take the UConn Shuttle
- 27. Join your fellow students for a free movie night in town, sponsored by SGA
- 28. Enjoy a cup of coffee/tea and a great conversation in the WGSS Center
- 29. Follow UConn Stamford @UConn.Stamford.SGA and @UConnStamford
- 30. Get creative in the Innovative Collaboration Space
- 31. Get to know the UConn police officers at one of their events

Be Involved

- 32. Relax with your friends in the Game Room
- 33. Sweat it out at the campus fitness center or the Stamford YMCA
- 34. Express yourself or support your friends by attending a student performance (theatre, improv, spoken word, or dance)
- 35. Donate blood during a campus blood drive
- 36. Join a student organization after visiting the fall and spring involvement fairs
- 37. Apply to be an Orientation Leader, Husky Leader, FYE Mentor, or another campus leader
- 38. Visit a friend in the Residence Hall
- 39. On a nice day, relax in Whitey Heist Park
- 40. Read the annual “UConn Reads” book
- 41. Mentor a middle school student with Stamford Public Education Foundation (SPEF)
- 42. Join your friends on a sponsored trip to NYC, Six Flags, a Yankees game, ice skating, etc.

- 43. Participate in a Stamford Campus Sports Club event or tournament
- 44. Attend an event focused on campus civility and diversity

Connect with UConn Campuses

- 45. Participate in an official Spring Weekend event
- 46. Visit another regional campus
- 47. Fundraise and participate in HuskyThon for Connecticut Children's
- 48. Take an online class
- 49. Access HuskyPrint from any campus
- 50. Travel somewhere new through Education Abroad or take an alternative break with Community Outreach

Explore Your Surroundings

- 51. Enjoy the FREE exhibits and events at Franklin Street Works
- 52. Show your UConn OneCard to get a student discount at many local restaurants and shops!
- 53. Visit the city parks: Mill River, Scalzi, Cove Beach, West Beach, etc.
- 54. Take a stroll to Stamford Town Center to discover shopping, dining, and fun
- 55. Enjoy the lights on Bedford Street in the winter
- 56. Volunteer at Mill River Park
- 57. Enjoy a free, live taping of a show at the NBC Studios in Stamford
- 58. Get produce and other local treats from the Farmers' Market on Bedford Street
- 59. Stroll through Arts and Crafts on Bedford
- 60. Experience one of the Downtown Stamford events (parades, food truck festivals, craft fairs, farmers market, Alive at 5, summer art exhibit, etc.)
- 61. Go to an independent, documentary, cult classic, or foreign film at the Avon Theatre
- 62. Explore the Stamford Public Library and all it has to offer!
- 63. Ride the FREE trolley to Harbor Point
- 64. Enjoy a local museum: Nature Museum, Bartlett Arboretum, Norwalk Aquarium, etc.
- 65. Use your UPass to explore CT!
- 66. Take MetroNorth to NYC

Eat Across Town

- 67. Enjoy #UConnDairyBar ice cream when the truck visits campus
- 68. Get a cup of coffee at one of the local cafés
- 69. Use your HuskyBucks to buy a snack at the café on campus
- 70. Try some pizza at all the local pizza hot spots: Remos, Fairfield, Pappas, Atlantic, Pieology, and Planet!
- 71. Get cones and nuggets from Garden Catering
- 72. Try out all the local favorites like Fiesta and Tomatillo... or find your own new one!
- 73. Explore new cuisines at any of the downtown Stamford international restaurants (during summer or winter, restaurant weeks you can save some bucks)
- 74. Visit a food truck in downtown Stamford

Become a Husky Forever

- 75. Follow @UConn on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube
- 76. Try to avoid getting a parking ticket...but if you do, try to appeal it!
- 77. Take a picture in front of the UConn sign...if you're in a cap and gown that's even better!
- 78. Proudly sport your UConn Senior button
- 79. Celebrate your upcoming graduation at the Senior Ceremony or another graduation celebration
- 80. Thank everyone who made your college experience possible
- 81. **Tradition never graduates but you do. Walk across the stage during Commencement and remember: Students Today, Huskies Forever!**

Why 81 Things?

In 1880, brothers Charles and Augustus Storrs donated land and money to start an agricultural school in Connecticut. In 1881, the Connecticut governor signed legislation accepting the Storrs' gift, and classes at Storrs Agricultural School began on Sept. 28. More than 130 years later, here we are as one of the top 25 public universities in the nation.

In commemoration of our founding in 1881, UConn's list of 81 Things to Do Before You Graduate shows you how to be a student today and a Husky forever, and it honors UConn's history, present, and future. On behalf of UConn, this list is curated by the UConn Student Alumni Association, and more information can be found online at saa.rso.uconn.edu. We hope you'll enjoy learning about UConn traditions as much as we enjoy creating and preserving them.

UConn Husky (Fight Song)

U Conn Husky, symbol of might to the foe.
Fight, fight Connecticut, it's vict'r'y, Let's go
Connecticut U Conn Husky, vict'r'y again for the White and Blue
So go, go, go Connecticut, Connecticut U. Fight!
C-O-N-N-E-C-T-I-C-U-T. Connecticut,
Connecticut Husky,
Connecticut Husky, Connecticut C-O-N-N-U. Fight! (repeat)

Old Connecticut (Alma Mater)

Once more, as we gather today,
To sing our Alma Mater's praise,
And join in the fellowship strong,
Which inspires our college days.
We're backing our teams in the strife
Cheering them to victory!
And pledge anew to old Connecticut,
Our steadfast spirit of loyalty.
(Chorus)
Connecticut, Connecticut,
Thy sons and daughters true
Unite to honor thy name,
Our fairest White and Blue.

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Chants & Cheers: Follow along with UConn Cheer, UConn Dance, and Jonathan the Husky during games!

Let's Go Huskies!

*Clap, Clap,
Clap, Clap, Clap*

Make the letters with your arms

**U-C-O-N-N
UConn! UConn! UConn!**

Stadium call & response

**Blue (Blue!)
White (White!)
Go (Go!)
Huskies! (Huskies!)**

**HU
SK
I
E
S
Go Huskies!**

**UConn! Huskies!
UConn! Huskies!
UConn! Huskies!
Huskies! UConn!
Wooooooooooooof!**

Make the Husky hand symbol

Find Your Hashtag

#UConn | #BleedBlue
#UConnNation | #UConnBucketList
#HuskiesForever

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