The UConn Student Alumni Association (SAA) was established in 1983 to promote strong student and alumni relationships through service to the university. We work closely with and directly under the UConn Foundation Office of Alumni Relations to help facilitate the transition from student to alumni while building a lifelong bond to the University of Connecticut. The Student Alumni Association holds a great sense of pride and tradition in the University, and with the affiliation of the UConn Foundation, the Student Alumni Association is able to promote this through a variety of activities and programs. Primary goals of the organization are to generate spirit and promote traditions surrounding the University among the student body, to instill leadership and communication skills in all members of SAA, to provide SAA members with opportunities to network with alumni, to connect SAA members with various organizations within the University and surrounding community, to provide information about the UConn Foundation to the student body, and to work with the UConn Foundation to promote student engagement and philanthropy.

To be elected as an Executive Board Member is an honor and an excellent opportunity for personal and professional growth. Students who are selected possess strong interpersonal skills, leadership qualities, a genuine interest in meeting new people, and a sense of school spirit and pride.

Requirements:

- Candidates must be able to commit to the program for the entire year (summer, fall, winter and spring). Some exceptions may be considered.
- Candidates must be able to hold regular office hours, attend training workshops, retreats, and meetings. E-Board and General meetings will be held once a week.
- SAA events frequently require time throughout the week for planning and execution of these programs such as Homecoming and OOzeball. Other assignments will be announced throughout the year. All E-Board members are expected to contribute equally to various assignments during their term.
- Candidates must not have a disciplinary record or be currently under charges within the University judicial system.
- Candidates must make a commitment to the mission of the University and the Student Alumni Association and possess the following personal qualities: **Desire to learn, Enthusiasm, Leadership, Responsibility, Dependability, Maturity, Initiative, Dedication, and Punctuality.**

The Benefits:

- Learn important interpersonal and leadership skills while gaining professional experience.
- Gain valuable information about UConn and the UConn Foundation.
- Meet and network with UConn officials, donors, alumni, staff, administrators, and leaders.
- Priority in attendance to District and National Conferences and special events.
### Election Process:

**Thursday, March 3, 2016**  
Applications are available at Networking Night and emailed out to all members.

**Thursday, March 10, 2016**  
Nominations are due to Advisor. Submit via email only. Note: you do **not** need to be nominated to apply for a position.

**Thursday, March 31, 2016**  
Applications are due to President by **11:59 p.m.** Submit an electronic copy via email or a hard copy in person. After your application is received, you will receive an email with a Doodle poll to choose an interview time.

**Monday, April 4 – Friday, April 8, 2016**  
Interviews with the Advisor and the President.

**Thursday, April 14, 2016**  
Candidates present brief speech about qualifications to SAA members at meeting. Voting by general members during meeting. Absentee voting via email to Advisor allowed until **Friday, April 15 at 12 p.m.**

**Sunday, April 17, 2016**  
New E-Board members announced at Pinning Ceremony.

### Questions about Positions:

If you have questions about any of the positions, please feel free to contact the individual currently in the position.

- **President:** Erin McMahon; erin.mcmahon@uconn.edu  
- **VP of Communication:** Shannon Wood; shannon.wood@uconn.edu  
- **VP of Membership:** Jackie Slemp; jacqueline.slemp@uconn.edu  
- **VP of Programming:** Emily Luna; emily.luna@uconn.edu  
- **VP of Finance:** Emily Castagna; emily.castagna@uconn.edu  
- **VP of Alumni Relations:** Riley Doherty; riley.doherty@uconn.edu  
- **VP of Tradition:** Emily Johnson; emily.l.johnson@uconn.edu
**UConn Student Alumni Association**
Executive Board Application Form: 2016-2017

Name: ___________________________ PeopleSoft: __________________

Home Address: ____________________________

City: ___________________________ State: ______ Zip Code: ____________

Cell Phone: _________________________ E-mail: __________________

Campus Address (if different from above): ____________________________

Class Year (circle one): FR SO JR SR Grad.

Birth date: (m)_____ (d)______ (y)______ Active Semesters in SAA: __________

Major: _____________________________ Minor: ________________________

Please list any other clubs and organizations you belong to, and any other major time commitments for 2015-2016:

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Prospective Positions (Please list up to three choices in order):

First Choice: ____________________________

Second Choice: ____________________________

Third Choice: ____________________________

I have read and understand the Student Alumni Association description and requirements, as well as the Constitution for the Student Alumni Association. Furthermore, I acknowledge that the information contained in this application is a factual assessment of my abilities. I understand that any false statements provided in this application will automatically disqualify me as a candidate for the Student Alumni Association Executive Board. Since the Student Alumni Association carries with it privileges and responsibilities, I hereby give permission to the UConn Foundation and the Student Alumni Association Advisor to access my academic and judicial records with the University of Connecticut. This information will be used for the sole purpose of determining minimal qualifications for this position.

Signature ____________________________ Print Name ____________________________ Date ____________
1) Why do you want to be a member of the SAA Executive Board, and what makes you a good candidate?

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2) What is one idea you’d like to bring to SAA, and how would you implement it?

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