

81 Things

TO DO BEFORE YOU GRADUATE

2019-2020
Hartford Edition

Prove You Bleed Blue

- 1. Kickoff the fall semester at the annual UConn Hartford Welcome Reception
- 2. Attend a basketball or hockey game at the XL Center
- 3. Enjoy #UConnDairyBar ice cream at Bear's Smokehouse
- 4. Follow UConn President Tom Katsouleas on Instagram and Twitter @PrezTomKat
- 5. Get your very own Husky at a "Stuff a Husky" event
- 6. Visit the Husky Heritage Sports Museum located in the Alumni Center in Storrs
- 7. Tailgate before a home football game and post a picture of yourself using #UConnTailgate
- 8. Get your UConn gear at the UConn Barnes & Noble Bookstore
- 9. Learn the words to the "UConn Fight Song" and sing it at a game

Prepare for Academic Success

- 10. Meet with your advisors and stay on track to graduate
- 11. Network with a UConn alum
- 12. Get a résumé critique or LinkedIn consultation from the Center for Career Development
- 13. Sign up for a group study room in the UConn Hartford Library at the Hartford Public Library
- 14. Attend your professors' office hours
- 15. Access thousands of eBooks and articles from the library's website
- 16. Visit the W, Q, and B Centers for a little extra help
- 17. Find your favorite study spot on campus
- 18. Attend a program or event in the Academic Achievement Center (AAC)
- 19. Take a class out of your comfort zone
- 20. Take a UNIV 1000 course to learn about something you find interesting
- 21. Form a study group with classmates and share notes

Engage with the Hartford Campus

- 22. Have a conversation with faculty outside of class (even better if it's not about their academic discipline)
- 23. Attend a "Hear Us Out" event
- 24. Pray, meditate, or do yoga in the Interfaith Room
- 25. Explore the Graduate Programs (DPP, SW, Neag, Law, and BU) and the Sustainable Global Cities Initiative at the Hartford campus
- 26. Follow UConn Hartford on Instagram
- 27. Get creative in The Travelers Collaborative
- 28. Get to know the UConn police officers at one of their events
- 29. Take a photo on the front steps of the Hartford Times Building (perfect location for a photo in your cap and gown)
- 30. Expand your horizons by talking to students in other disciplines

Be Involved

- 31. Vote in a student election
- 32. Relax with your friends in the Student Center
- 33. Go to an Involvement Fair and get involved in one of the student organizations on campus
- 34. Meet the USG President
- 35. Apply to be an orientation leader, FYE mentor, or another campus leader
- 36. Participate in a USG event
- 37. Attend a program at the Hartford Public Library
- 38. Learn from your classmates about their non-English native language or ethnic traditions
- 39. Run the Hartford Marathon or any of the many 5K races and walks in the Hartford area
- 40. Volunteer at a Hartford shelter or food pantry/kitchen

- 41. Attend the annual "Back to the Times" carol sing on the steps of the Hartford Times Building
- 42. Take a self-defense class offered by the UConn Police Department
- 43. Attend a program on campus civility and diversity

Connect with UConn Campuses

- 44. Take the CT Transit 913 bus to/from Storrs
- 45. Participate in an official Spring Weekend event
- 46. Visit another regional campus
- 47. Fundraise and participate in HuskyTHON for Connecticut Children's Medical Center
- 48. Take an online class or attend class at another campus
- 49. Access HuskyPrint from any campus
- 50. Travel somewhere new through Education Abroad or take an alternative break with Community Outreach
- 51. Play OOzeball

Explore Your Surroundings

- 52. Visit the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art for free with your UConn ID
- 53. Ride the carousel in Bushnell Park
- 54. Take a walk along the Connecticut River
- 55. See a movie at Spotlight Theatres
- 56. Go to a Hartford Yard Goats baseball game or a Hartford Athletics soccer game
- 57. Visit the Connecticut Science Center
- 58. Experience one of the Riverfront Recapture events (Dragon Boat Festival, Summer Yoga, etc.)
- 59. Explore the Hartford Public Library and all it has to offer
- 60. Ride the free DASH bus around Hartford
- 61. Use your UPass to explore Connecticut
- 62. See a show at the Bushnell Performing Arts Center, Sea Tea Improv, Infinity Music Hall, Theaterworks, or Hartford Stage
- 63. Go ice skating at Bushnell Park during Winterfest Hartford
- 64. Walk around the Hartford's Ancient Burying Ground
- 65. Visit the Connecticut State Capitol building
- 66. Take part in the annual ConnectiCon Convention
- 67. Cruise the Connecticut River on a boat
- 68. Check out Hartford events @ hartford.com

Eat Across Town

- 69. On a nice day, grab a coffee at Story and Soil and/or Spectra Wired Café
- 70. Enjoy a cup of coffee/tea and a great conversation at Starbucks
- 71. Enjoy a cup or cone at Capital Ice Cream
- 72. Try a food truck near Connecticut's Old State House
- 73. Enjoy lunch at one of the Front Street restaurants
- 74. Explore new and cultural cuisines on Pratt Street and Park Street
- 75. Attend the Riverfront Food Truck Festival

Become a Husky Forever

- 76. Follow @UConn on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube
- 77. Take a picture in front of the gateway 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 victr'y, Let's go
Connecticut U Conn Husky, victr'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
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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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