Orientation Handbook
Bachelor of General Studies
UCONN Stamford

As you progress in your journey towards completion of your BGS degree, this handbook can serve as a guide to a variety of UCONN resources and services available to you. Important information can also be found on our website:

Bgs.uconn.edu
Bursar

**Location:** Room 202  
**Phone:** 203-251-8444

**Office Hours:**  
Monday - Thursday 8:30-5pm, Friday 8:30-4:30pm

The Bursar’s office collects and processes fee bill payments & refunds, issues financial aid award checks, parking decals, loans, tuition deferments and waivers.

Financial Aid

**Location:** Storrs Campus Only  
**Phone:** 860-486-2819  
**Fax:** 860-486-6629

**Office Hours:**  
Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

The Financial Aid office manages scholarships, student employment, and veteran benefits.

**Webpage:** financialaid@uconn.edu  
(accessed only through UCONN email ):

F.E.R.P.A.

A federal law, the **Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974** (also know as the Buckley Amendment), as amended, affords students certain rights regarding their educational records.

When a student reaches the age of 18 or begins attending a post-secondary institution, regardless of age, FERPA rights transfer from the parent to the student. The College will obtain an observed signed consent form from the student that authorizes the parent to receive non-directory information and/or attend a meeting regarding the student’s academic record.

**F.E.R.P.A. Privacy Waiver**

A student can authorize someone to receive non directory information and/or participate in an appointment by completing an **Online FERPA Privacy Waiver**. Please have your student visit: http://web2.uconn.edu/ferpa/

The waiver is designed to grant controlled access, via a four digit code, to specific non-directory information with specific offices.

For example, one can be granted access to speak to the University Bursar about a student’s bill. But please note:

- The caller cannot access information without stating their full name and four digit access code.
- The Bursar cannot share academic information, with the caller.
Dear UConn Stamford Campus Students,

The University of Connecticut Stamford campus is pleased to announce a new service available to students of the Stamford campus. You can now receive text messages sent to your cell phone for campus closings and weather-related delays and cancellations. This service is free of charge, but your cell phone plan’s normal text message rates will apply. This new service is for the Stamford campus only and does not apply to any other regional campus or the Storrs campus.

The UConn Stamford Campus Text Messaging System is NOT a replacement for the University Alert Notification System*. The University Alert Notification System is a comprehensive University wide system that will alert faculty, staff, students, and the community of any and all emergencies at the University of Connecticut. The new UConn Stamford Campus Text Messaging System is available to Stamford students for notification of campus closings and weather-related delays and cancellations only.

To subscribe to this free service all you have to do is text: STAMSTU to 88467 To unsubscribe from this service at any time and stop receiving student member texts, text: STOP STAMSTU to 88467

For a full list of emergency closing notification options, please visit the Stamford campus Emergency Closing Information website: http://stamford.uconn.edu/emergency_closing.html

*For More information on the University Alert Notification System please visit: http://alert.uconn.edu

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**Parking**

**Garage Hours:**
- Monday—Friday 6:30 a.m.—11:00 p.m.
- Saturday 6:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
- Closed Sundays

Designated student parking is available in the UConn parking garage on Washington Boulevard

Parking permit cost and information can be obtained in the Bursar’s Office in Room 202.

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**Shuttle Bus**

**Shuttle Hours:**
- Monday—Thursday 7:00 a.m.—10:30 p.m.
- The Shuttle does not operate on Fridays.

UConn Stamford provides Shuttle Bus service between the Stamford campus and the Stamford Metro North Train station. The Shuttle operates on a loop between the two stops.

The Shuttle stop is on Franklin Street across from the campus, and at the Shuttle bus area of the Train station. You must show valid UConn ID.
Husky One Card

Husky One Card/ID photos are taken at the Registrar’s office, Room 202. To obtain your ID, you will need to bring a picture ID (driver’s license or passport) to have your photo taken and processed.

This ID can be used for multiple purposes which includes:
- library usage
- printing and photocopying
- debit card for purchases at the co-op and café
- Shuttle service to/from the Stamford train station.

UCONN Police

Location: Third Floor parking garage
Phone: 203-251-9508

Officers are on duty 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, and frequently patrol the grounds of the Stamford Campus.

Student Services

Location: Room 201
Telephone: 203-251-8484

Hours of Operation (vary by semester):
Monday & Thursday: 8:30 a.m.—6:00 p.m.
Tuesday & Wednesday: 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Student Services is home to the Dean of Students, and Disability Services.

UCONN Co-op

Location: First Floor
Telephone: 203-251-8544

The UConn Co-op, the official bookstore for the University of Connecticut, is open all year to serve the needs of the members of the University community.
The Jeremy Richard Library

Location: First Floor

Telephone: 203-251-8500

Hours of Operation:
Monday-Thursday: 8:00 a.m.—9:00 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Saturday: 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Closed Sundays

Your Husky One Card is used also serves as your Library card.
For more information:  http://www.lib.uconn.edu

Psychological Counseling

Location: Room 348

Telephone: 203-251-8484

Dr. James Perrone is the campus consulting psychologist and is available to assist students with:

- short term counseling
- crisis intervention
- anxiety reduction
- study skills

All sessions are free of charge to current UCONN students.

Fitness Center

Location: Room 126A

Telephone: 203-251-9563

Members have access to the Fitness Center’s full range of cardio, Cybex weight training equipment, and free weights. Locker rooms and shower facilities are also available.

Please visit the Fitness Center for information about membership and hours.

Disability Services

Location: Room 201

Telephone: 203-251-8484

Confidential services for students with disabilities are available through the Student Services office. Any student with a documented disability, either permanent or temporary, is eligible to receive services from Student Disability Services. Please note students must self disclose to receive academic accommodations and must provide documentation from within a six year time frame. We encourage all students with a disability to register with the office.

Additional information can be found at: csd.uconn.edu