Transferring to UConn: Restarting the Journey
Introductions

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Where are you from?

A) In state
B) Out of State
Welcome & Congratulations!

Question Time

Is this your
a) $1^{st}$
b) $2^{nd}$
c) $3^{rd}$
d) $4$ or more
Question time:

Did your student come from an institution

A) Larger than UConn
B) Smaller than UConn
Parental Expectations
What do you want your son or daughter to learn?

Question time:

A) Life Skills, Independence
B) Problem solver
C) Who they are- Identity
D) Healthy Relationships
E) Marketable skills- Get a job
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The Transition

- Connections to Family
- Peer Relationship Management
- Adjustment to Increased Independence
- Managing Their Space - Life with Roommates
- Time Management
- Choosing a Major / Career Path
- Academic Adjustment
- Managing Stress
Question:

How many of you have texted or received a text from your child since we started this presentation?

A) Yes

B) No
FYE courses provide an overview of the university experience with a focus on acquiring learning skills and understanding resources available for academic success. 9 out of 10 students enroll in FYE.
More than 90% of UConn students take FYE in their first year.
First Year Programs Course Suite

Honors? UNIV 1784
Living Learning Community? UNIV 1810 Maybe an 1840
All other 1st year students UNIV 1800
Any 1st or 2nd year student UNIV 1820

Later...
FYE (UNIV) 3820
"It's intimidating to see thousands of new people who already have their friend groups."

"My greatest weakness would have to be time management because a lot of times I procrastinate."

"I still wanted to create my own major and study abroad. But I had to do it right away."

"The challenge at UConn forced me to change every academic trait and [study] method I'd ever used."

"I felt no connection to UConn."

A few quotes from transfer students
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Non-Residential Learning Communities

Non-Residential Learning Communities are developed by having students who share a major, or interest in a profession, enroll in a 1-credit course in their first semester. These unique FYE courses are taught by a professor or advisor from the major.

- Allied Health
- Animal Science
- Communications
- English
- Environmental Studies/Environmental Science
- Kinesiology
- Nutritional Sciences
- Pathobiology
- Physiology & Neurobiology
- Pre-Journalism
- Psychological Sciences
- Pre-Teaching: Contemporary Issues in Education
First Year Programs
Learning Communities
FYE 1810
Academic Achievement Center

Located in ROWE 217

- Strategic Academic Counseling
- Walk-in Coaching Hours
- Strategies for Deeper Learning
- Workshops and Presentations
- Supplemental Instruction
Academic Achievement Center
Overall Contacts

- 4000+
- 8000+
- 10000+
- 11000+

14-'15  15-'16  16-'17  17-'18
THANK YOU!

IT ALL STARTS HERE

UCONN UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

FIRST YEAR PROGRAMS
LEARNING COMMUNITIES
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CENTER