

UConn | SCHOOL OF LAW

Incoming Exchange Student Fact Sheet – 2019-2020



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About UConn School of Law

<p>Location</p>	<p>Located on a beautiful, collegiate, gothic campus in a pleasant neighborhood of Hartford, Connecticut’s capital city, UConn Law School is within two hours of New York, Boston, New Haven, Providence, ski mountains, and the seashore.</p>
<p>Campus Facilities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gothic-style library (one of the largest law libraries in the world) • Computer labs • Student Services Office • Cafeteria • Bookstore (located on downtown campus) • Fitness room

Academics

<p>Exchange Programs for International Students (through partner institutions)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall Term • Spring Term • Full Year
<p>Academic Calendar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fall Term 2019 ○ Spring Term 2020 	<p>Orientation: August 21, 2019 (LL.M. & Exchange) Classes: August 26, 2019 – December 6, 2019 Exams: December 10– 19, 2019 Classes: January 21, 2020 – May 4, 2020 Exams: May 6 – 14, 2020 Graduation: May 17, 2020</p>
<p>Course Selection</p>	<p>A description of the courses offered by UConn School of Law can be found online: https://www.law.uconn.edu/academics/courses Click on the courses tab to see available courses.</p> <p>Students have until the end of the add/drop period to add or drop courses. Following the add/drop deadline, students will need permission from the International Programs Department to drop courses.</p>
<p>Course Restrictions</p>	<p>Students must have the necessary prerequisites described in the course catalogue in order to take a course.</p>
<p>Course Registration</p>	<p>Students should send course selections to Carrie Field, Director of Graduate & Exchange Programs, prior to their arrival on campus.</p>
<p>Minimum Course Load</p>	<p>Due to visa regulations, the minimum course load required for international exchange students is 9 credits. The average course load for students is 12 credits. Students must also take enough credits to satisfy requirements from their home university.</p>
<p>Code of Conduct and Student Handbook</p>	<p>All students will be responsible for following UConn's Student Code of Conduct: http://community.uconn.edu/the-student-code-preamble/ Students should also familiarize themselves with the UConn School of Law Student Handbook: http://www.law.uconn.edu/portal/students/student-life</p>

Admissions

Application deadlines for UConn Law	Applications are considered on a rolling basis. All international student applications should generally be received by May 1st for Fall enrollment or October 15th for Spring enrollment. Applications received before these dates will be given priority consideration.
Application procedure for exchange students	Once the students have been nominated by the home institution, a welcome email will be sent to the students with the application instructions.
Fees and Tuition for exchange students	Program fees are paid at the student's home institution. Other fees (such as parking and printer) have to be paid to UCONN Law.

Language Requirements for Exchange Students

UConn School of Law requires one of the following tests to assess English language proficiency:

TOEFL: If taking the TOEFL exam, students must achieve a minimum score of 80 (internet-based).

IELTS: If taking the IELTS exam, students must achieve a minimum score of 6.5.

Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE): The level required is C1 or better.

Pearson Test of English (PTE): The student must score within or above the range of 64 or higher.

The student may be exempt from submitting a TOEFL, IELTS, CAE or PTE if:

- The student is earning a degree from a recognized institution of higher learning at which the primary language of instruction is English.
- Has earned a proficiency certificate from UCAELI (University of Connecticut American English Language Institute) [or the English Language classes offered at UConn Law with pre-approval of the International Programs department].
- The student's native language is English.

Exchange to LL.M Transfer

Former exchange students accepted to the U.S. Legal Studies LL.M. Program may be eligible to apply up to 12 credits previously earned while on international exchange at UConn Law toward the 24 credits needed for the LL.M. degree, subject to the following conditions:

- The student must have completed the first law degree at the home institution.
- The exchange student must have applied to the LL.M. program no later than five years after the end of the student's exchange study.
- The Director of International Programs, in consultation with the Director of Graduate & Exchange Programs, shall determine the precise number of transferable credits.
- A former exchange student who transfers into the LL.M. program will not be eligible to apply for the "LL.M. to J.D. program."

For more information, contact llm@uconn.edu

Additional Programs of Study

LL.M. Program in U.S. Legal Studies	<p>UConn Law offers a general LL.M. program for lawyers who obtained their first law degree outside the U.S. The program offers certificates of specialization in seven areas: corporate and regulatory compliance, energy and environmental regulation, financial services regulation, intellectual property, international human rights, tax law, and the foundations of U.S. law.</p> <p>http://www.law.uconn.edu/admissions/llm-us-legal-studies</p>
LL.M. in Energy and Environmental Law Students	<p>The Energy and Environmental LL.M. will help students develop expertise in global energy needs, climate change, renewable energy policy and environmental policy and land use. Students will have access to externships, the semester in DC and applied research in numerous areas.</p> <p>https://www.law.uconn.edu/admissions/llm-energy-environmental-law</p>
LL.M. in Human Rights and Social Justice	<p>UConn Law's LL.M. in Human Rights and Social Justice offers students the opportunity to integrate the international and domestic dimensions of social justice lawyering. Students can take classes at the law school and at the Human Rights Institute.</p> <p>https://www.law.uconn.edu/admissions/llm-human-rights-social-justice</p>
LL.M. in Insurance Law	<p>UConn Law's LL.M. in Insurance Law is the top destination for lawyers and students from the U.S. and around the world who seek serious graduate training in insurance and financial services law.</p> <p>http://www.law.uconn.edu/admissions/llm-insurance-law</p>
LL.M. to J.D. Transfer	<p>LL.M. students who obtain good grades may also apply to our J.D. program without having to take the LSAT, and if accepted, can transfer most of their LL.M. credits to their J.D. program.</p> <p>http://www.law.uconn.edu/admissions/llm-us-legal-studies?qt-field_collection_quicktabs=4#qt-field_collection_quicktabs</p>
Doctor of Laws (S.J.D.)	<p>The S.J.D. Program is intended for individuals who have demonstrated evidence of superior scholarly potential and who are engaged in, or plan to pursue, careers in academia, government service, or the judiciary.</p> <p>http://www.law.uconn.edu/admissions/doctor-laws-sjd</p>

Student Services

Student Services Office	The Student Services Office creates an open and welcoming environment for all students. The Office provides support for professional, academic or personal matters; offers programs on wellness; connects students with resources necessary for their academic success; provides accommodations for students with different abilities; and serves as a liaison between students, faculty and staff.
Disability Services	Student Services staff are trained to provide accommodations for students. Please send requests and documentation to Student Services, at law.access@uconn.edu as soon as possible after being admitted. Please refer to the University of Connecticut Documentation Guidelines: http://www.csd.uconn.edu/documentation_guidelines.html
Housing	Furnished housing will cost anywhere between \$450 - \$700 per month for a room or apartment. UConn Law has a number of connections with landlords in the Hartford area who offer such accommodation. Please contact lawexchange@uconn.edu for more information.
Student Organizations	The Law School has over 30 active student organizations. Groups run the spectrum from the ice hockey team, Capital Punishment to the Connecticut Alliance of International Lawyers and the Public Interest Law Group to the Christian Legal Society. If your interests are not piqued by the current organizations, you are welcomed and encouraged to form your own.

Logistics

Visas and Immigration Procedures	<p>UConn International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) is the office responsible for advising J-1 visa holders at UConn on matters related to your immigration status. Questions concerning your status as an international student and immigration laws that pertain to you should be referred to the ISSS on the Storrs Campus.</p> <p>Website: iss.uconn.edu Phone: (860) 486-3855 Email: international@uconn.edu</p>
Medical insurance	Government regulations require all J-1 Exchange Visitors (EV) and their dependents to carry medical insurance throughout the period of participation in the Exchange Visitor Program as a condition of maintaining legal status. The following link explains

	<p>the costs and different options for medical insurance: http://global.uconn.edu/about/issv/visiting-scholars/insurance-requirements-for-j-1-exchange-visitors/</p>
<p>Arrival and Orientation</p> <p>Fall Semester 2019 Orientation Spring Semester 2019 Orientation</p>	<p>We recommend that you arrive within two days of the start of orientation. August 21, 2019 January 21, 2020 <i>These are approximated and will be communicated prior to the start of the program</i></p>
<p>Cost of Living</p>	<p>Furnished apartment - \$450 – \$700 per month Food (supermarkets) - \$200 per month Transportation One-way bus ticket - \$2.00 Monthly bus pass – \$54.00 Gasoline - \$1.00 per liter Movie ticket - \$10.00 Gym membership (off-campus) - \$25.00 per month Restaurant (inexpensive) - \$12 - \$15</p>
Living in Hartford	
<p>Things to do:</p> <p>The Hartford area contains many riches in cultural, recreational and educational resources. The region also offers many opportunities to see live performances and has a wealth of wonderful restaurants.</p>	<p>Museums</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wadsworth Athenaeum – oldest public art museum in the United States • Mark Twain House • Harriet Beecher Stowe House <p>Theater and music</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bushnell Memorial Hall – Hartford symphony and theater performances • Xfinity Theatre – concerts • XL Center – exhibits, sports events, and concerts • TheaterWorks – free tickets for students first Saturday of every month • Spotlight Theatre—movie tickets range from \$8 (matinee) - \$11 (evening); also Sunday brunches while watching a movie • Many movie theaters located in the Hartford area <p>Sports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UCONN football, basketball & hockey games and Wolfpack Hockey games • Hiking, running, and biking – nearby trails are located in West Hartford reservoir • Skiing – Three downhill ski areas in CT are within 40 minutes of the law school and cross-country skiing is also available at state parks in the area

UConn Identification Cards & Student Numbers

UConn PeopleSoft ID: Your UConn ID number (often called your PeopleSoft number) is a seven digit number specifically assigned to you. This ID number is often referenced when discussing course registration and billing.

NetID: Your NetID gives you access to your e-mail, online course management systems (HuskyCT), and other services on campus. Once you receive your NetID, please go to <https://netid.uconn.edu> to reset your password. Once you activate your NetID password, you will use the same password for your e-mail account (below). You can use this number to access the Student Administration system also known as PeopleSoft. For security reasons, we strongly recommend that you change your password the first time you login. You will use PeopleSoft to access your grades, view your fee bill, etc. You will **NOT** use this system to register for classes.

UConn Email: UConn uses Gmail to administer student email accounts. More information is available at <http://g.uconn.edu/google-mail/>. You will use your NetID to access your student email. You must check your email very often as this is the primary way administrative offices at UConn will contact you.

NETID

You should receive your NetId with instructions and activation code in two emails.

You will need to go to the NetID site to activate: <https://netid.uconn.edu/>

Click on "Activate NetId"

If you don't receive them you can go to NetID and click on "Find NetID".

If you need help from the University Information Technology Services (UITs) you can call or email them: helpcenter@uconn.edu or 860-486-4357.

Additional information about NetID and UConn email address:

<http://accounts.uits.uconn.edu/frequently-asked-questions-faqs/#whatis>

EMAIL:

To get a password for your UConn E-mail go to:

Password.google.uconn.edu

Note: you will need your NetId number.

Your email is usually your firstname.lastname@uconn.edu