University of Connecticut

At a Glance

Established - 1881
Statutory authority - Chapter 185b, General Statutes
Main campus located on Route 195, Storrs, CT 06269
Number of full-time employees at the Main and Regional Campuses: 4,612
Number of full-time employees at UConn Health - 3,991
Operating Expenditures Budget - Fiscal Year 2017 *unaudited
   At the Main and Regional Campuses: $1,319.4 million
   At UConn Health: $1,007.3 million
Organizational structure - Public State University

Mission

Founded in 1881, the University of Connecticut serves as the flagship for public higher education and the primary doctoral degree granting public institution in the State. The University of Connecticut is dedicated to excellence demonstrated through national and international recognition. As Connecticut’s public research university, through freedom of academic inquiry and expression, we create and disseminate knowledge by means of scholarly and creative achievements, graduate and professional education, and outreach. Through our focus on teaching and learning, the University helps every student grow intellectually and become a contributing member of the State, national, and world communities. Through research, teaching, service, and outreach, we embrace diversity and cultivate leadership, integrity, and engaged citizenship in our students, faculty, staff, and alumni. As our State’s flagship public university, and as a land and sea grant institution, we promote the health and wellbeing of Connecticut’s citizens through enhancing the social, economic, cultural, and natural environments of the State and beyond.
Statutory Responsibility

The General Statutes of the State of Connecticut and the Morrill Act adopted by the United States Congress have charged the University of Connecticut with the responsibility for the education of Connecticut youth in scientific and classical studies, agriculture and mechanic arts, and liberal and practical education. General Statutes give the University authority for programs leading to a wide variety of doctoral degrees and post-baccalaureate professional degrees. The University’s constitutional mandate, “excellence in higher education,” is accomplished in its traditional triad of academic responsibilities: teaching, research, and service (including outreach and public engagement).

ACHIEVEMENTS

The University’s Economic Impact

The University of Connecticut generates about $3.4 billion worth of economic activity every year in the State, including more than 24,000 jobs and over $202 million in tax revenue, according to a report by the national research and consulting firm Tripp Umbach.

Tripp Umbach, a national leader in economic impact analysis with past clients ranging from Penn State to the University of North Carolina to General Electric, used data from University sources to measure UConn’s economic activity in fiscal year 2013.

The report assessed both direct economic impact – money spent by the institution itself – and indirect impact, which measures the re-spending of dollars within the local economy by businesses and households.

Among other significant findings, Tripp Umbach reports that:

- UConn generates $1.5 billion in direct economic impact and $1.9 billion in indirect impact;
- UConn supports about 24,235 jobs, both directly and indirectly, or one out of every 90 jobs in Connecticut;
- UConn generates around $202 million in state and local tax revenues;
- Research at UConn is worth roughly $373 million to the Connecticut economy; and
- Volunteering, donations, and charity care by the UConn community is worth $54.2 million each year.

The University’s Flagship Campus in Storrs

UConn’s main campus in Storrs celebrated the opening of Next Generation Connecticut Hall, an eight-story, 727-bed dormitory complex. One of the tallest buildings in Storrs, the dormitory represents the first new on-campus housing in 13 years and the first building completed under UConn’s initiative to expand STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) programs, increase enrollment, and help build Connecticut’s future workforce. Half of the dorm’s residents will be engineering majors, while the rest will be drawn from other STEM disciplines.
A new **Engineering & Science Building** is under construction in North Campus and expected to open in the summer of 2017. The five-story, 118,000-square-foot building was made possible through funding from the state’s 21st Century UConn program and $1.5 billion Next Generation Connecticut initiative. The building will house high-performance laboratories for UConn’s growing genomics, biomedical, chemical engineering, and cybersecurity research programs.

UConn’s School of Engineering’s celebrated the 100th anniversary of its four-year engineering program in 2016. The school has seen tremendous growth as it continues to prepare Connecticut’s future workforce.

**Key points to consider:**

- Engineering enrollment has doubled since 2006.
- 732 freshmen students enrolled in 2016, a new school record.
- UConn engineering students make up nearly a quarter (24 percent) of UConn’s Honors Program, the largest per capita among UConn’s 8 schools and colleges.
- 80-85% career placement rate for graduating seniors.
- Last year, 94% of freshmen students were promoted to sophomore year.
- 32 new engineering faculty specializing in such areas as advanced manufacturing, biomedical engineering, sustainable energy and cybersecurity have been hired since 2012.
- Over the past five years UConn has entered into academic/research partnerships with world-class manufacturers, research institutes and government agencies. These include:
  - $25 million FEI Center of Excellence in Microscopy
  - $9 million Eversource Energy Center
  - $7.5 million GE Partnership for Advanced Materials
  - $7.5 million Pratt & Whitney Additive Manufacturing Innovation Center
  - $7.2 million Fraunhofer Center for Energy Innovation
  - $10 million investment by UTC for the UTC Advanced Systems Engineering Institute
  - $6 million investment by Comcast establishing the Comcast Center of Excellence for Security Innovation.

Most impressively, the School of Engineering’s commitment to diversity resulted in a 9.3 percent increase in female engineering graduates between 2010-2015, which was the greatest increase among 90 public institutions and state flagships surveyed nationally by The Washington Post. UConn’s School of Engineering ranked eighth nationally in terms of the percentage of female students earning engineering bachelor’s degrees in 2015 with 24.3 percent.

The Storrs campus also saw major upgrades to its infrastructure. Notable projects include:

- **Putnam Refectory dining hall:** A $22 million renovation increased seating capacity to 700 and improved self-service buffet areas, making room for students living in the new Next Generation Connecticut Hall next door.
• **Replacement of utility infrastructure:** New steam, water, and electrical systems were installed along North Eagleville Road to ensure reliable service and support student, staff, and faculty buildings in North Campus. New landscaping and seating areas for the Towers residences and UConn Dairy Bar are being installed.

• **Discovery Drive:** A new access road linking UConn’s North Campus and Tech Park to Route 44 was completed.

Ongoing projects include:

• **Student Recreation Center:** Construction of a new 200,000-square-foot student recreation center across from the UConn Bookstore in the center of campus. Demolition and site preparation is underway. The center will include a 20,000-square-foot fitness center, five full-sized basketball courts, 50-meter swimming pool, squash and racquetball courts. The facility will be part of a new “Main Street” on campus and is scheduled to open in the fall of 2019.

• **Monteith Building Renovation:** A 73,000-square-foot renovation provides new classroom space for students, upgraded classroom technologies, and a new home for the Department of Math. The structure also offers necessary ‘swing space’ for other academic programs now housed in buildings slated for renovation, such as the Gant Science Complex.

**NextGen Connecticut Update**

In January 2014, UConn trustees approved the start of planning for several building projects anticipated under Next Generation Connecticut.

The State is allocating $1.5 billion over 10 years for capital projects to support curriculum and research expansions, putting the University’s expertise to work to create and retain Connecticut jobs.

**Tech Park**

The first phase of construction for UConn’s new **Innovation Partnership Building** was completed. The $132 million building will serve as the anchor for UConn’s Tech Park.

The 115,000-square-foot structure on Discovery Drive is expected to serve as a key resource for future economic development in Connecticut, bringing together world-class academic researchers, business entrepreneurs, and private industry scientists to develop innovative technologies. The building will house one of the most advanced microscopy centers in the country and will provide industries and corporations with access to more than $40 million in high-end research equipment. The IPB will feature laboratories for research in advanced manufacturing, materials science, flexible electronics, energy, cybersecurity, and other fields. The building is scheduled to open in 2017.

An outside consulting firm estimated that the technology park, when completed, will create between 1,000 and 1,300 jobs in its first decade; average salaries at similar tech parks around the country are roughly $75,000.
The Campuses

UConn Health, Farmington

Five years after the launch of the major economic and employment initiative Bioscience Connecticut, Gov. Dannel P. Malloy and a cadre of legislators joined University leaders for a ribbon cutting to celebrate the most recent project funded by the effort. The Sept. 22, 2016 ceremony at UConn Health officially opened extensive new research space – 28,000 square feet comprised of 32 laboratories and 40 offices – dedicated to developing new biotechnology concepts into businesses.

Approved in 2011, Bioscience Connecticut allocated $864 million to efforts that would position the state to be a leader in bioscience research and improve residents’ access to world-class medicine. Twenty-one biotech startup companies are now housed on the UConn Health campus, one of three sites in Connecticut for UConn’s Technology Incubator Program (TIP).

Bioscience Connecticut Milestones:

- UConn Health’s state-of-the-art Academic Rotunda, a 17,000-square-foot team-based learning classroom, which welcomed 49 new dental students and 100 medical students, the largest incoming classes in the UConn Health’s history. Under the initiative, UConn Health launched an innovative new curriculum and a new method of teaching: Team-based learning, where medical, dental, and other professional health students learn together. To meet Bioscience Connecticut’s goal of making the state a leader in medical education, UConn’s medical school will be steadily increasing its class sizes in the coming years to 110 students.

- The Jackson Laboratory for Genomic Medicine, a 189,000-square-foot building opened in 2014, that enables a unique research partnership between UConn Health and JAX, accelerating personalized genomics and translational research, and the recruitment of 256 new employees, including several joint faculty.

- The 300,000-square-foot Outpatient Pavilion opened its doors in the winter of 2015. The facility offers a full range of primary care and specialty care services all in one modern, convenient location, and serves more than 12,000 patients monthly. The building, named best in ‘New Construction’ by the Connecticut Building Congress, brings together a family medicine practice and a new comprehensive Women’s Center.

- UConn John Dempsey Hospital’s new patient tower creates an environment centered on providing patients with state-of-the-art health care and technology and a more soothing and healing experience. Natural light pours in to all 169 private patient rooms representing each of the towns in the state. The tower has a new Emergency Department with its own patient and ambulance entrances; a dedicated floor for the Intensive Care Unit; and 10 operating rooms.

UConn Law

The stately UConn Law campus is set in the historic West End of Hartford, midway between New
and Boston and 28 miles from the university’s main campus in Storrs. UConn Law is a leader in experiential legal education, with a wide variety of clinical programs, a multitude of individual externship opportunities and several practical skills courses built into the curriculum. UConn School of Law ranks among the top 10 “law schools that pay off” when student debt is compared to starting salaries, according to a new analysis by *U.S. News & World Report*. The average student debt among UConn Law graduates is the lowest in the Northeast.

By the numbers:
8:1 student-faculty ratio
400 JD students
90% of 2015 graduates passed the bar on the first attempt

**Regional Campuses**

Befitting a University with a physical presence in every region of the State, people throughout Connecticut enjoy the economic benefits that UConn provides. UConn’s effect is widespread, but also intensely local: the University means local jobs, local spending, and local tax revenues for communities from the shoreline to the northwest hills. With major initiatives to expand and enhance its campuses, the benefits UConn provides to the people living in Connecticut’s cities and towns will only multiply.

Students beginning their college careers at a regional campus can select from virtually all of UConn’s 110+ majors, then seamlessly transition to UConn’s main campus in Storrs to complete a bachelor’s degree after completing approximately 54 credits.

**Hartford Campus**

The UConn Hartford campus will soon return to the heart of the city. In August 2017, classes are expected to start at a brand new, $140 million downtown campus anchored by the former Hartford Times building and nearby facilities. The urban campus will be fully intertwined with neighboring cultural institutions and government offices, including Hartford Public Library and Wadsworth Atheneum. The campus will be rounded out with a new Barnes & Noble bookstore.

By the numbers:
$140 million project
232,000+ square feet of learning and community space
Partnerships with surrounding institutions,
including Hartford Public Library
13:1 student-faculty ratio
1,350 undergraduates

**UConn Stamford**

Beginning in fall 2017, UConn Stamford students will have the opportunity to live in UConn apartments steps away from campus, at the core of downtown Stamford. Up to 300 students will live in 116 furnished studio, one-bedroom, and two-bedroom apartments, with access to game rooms, lounges, and study spaces located throughout the building.
By the numbers:
16:1 student-faculty ratio
1,564 undergraduates

UConn Avery Point

Located on Long Island Sound at the mouth of the Thames River, UConn Avery Point challenges students with specialized programs that take advantage of our waterfront location and delivers an outstanding education in more traditional areas of study. Students benefit from small classes, explore unique minors, and enjoy distinctly modern facilities like our state-of-the-art Marine Sciences Building, with unlimited opportunities for undergraduate research, fieldwork, and internships across the many industries near campus.

By the numbers:
17:1 student-faculty ratio
717 undergraduates

UConn Waterbury

In 2016, UConn Waterbury expanded into a newly renovated, historic building with additional classroom and activity space. Beginning in fall 2017, a private developer will be offering student housing across the street from the Waterbury campus.

By the numbers:
17:1 student-faculty ratio
800 undergraduate students

Undergraduates

At the beginning of the 2016-17 academic year, UConn welcomed the Class of 2020, about 5,100 incoming freshmen. It’s one of the largest freshman classes overall in UConn’s history and, with 37 percent of students coming from minority backgrounds, it’s also the most diverse.

About 71 percent of the freshmen are Connecticut natives who chose to enroll in their state’s flagship university. They’re joined by talented students from elsewhere who were drawn here by UConn’s increasingly strong reputation nationwide and internationally. In fact, UConn drew new students this year from 164 of Connecticut’s 169 municipalities, with students coming from 44 states, Puerto Rico, and 22 countries worldwide.

It also has the largest number of valedictorians and salutatorians – 181 – of any prior UConn freshman class, with nine of every 10 coming from Connecticut. The Class of 2020 continues its predecessors’ track record of academic excellence with an average SAT score of 1233.

About 525 students with an average SAT score of 1402 are joining UConn’s highly competitive Honors Program this fall, including Nicholas and Mishra. UConn will also enroll a record 156 valedictorians and salutatorians at Storrs, plus 25 more across UConn’s regional campuses.
With a 17-to-1 student-faculty ratio, undergrads can expect some large lecture classes, particularly in foundation courses, though those typically break out into small-group discussion sections.

Students can also choose from a range of first-year seminars and learning communities, where those with shared interests in public health or the arts, for instance, can live alongside their peers and take classes together. About 2,000 undergrads participate in the honors program, which offers its own smaller seminars, advising and housing communities.

**Institutional Success**

“Our success as an institution all starts with our talented and diverse student population, which comes to UConn with high aspirations and energy,” President Susan Herbst said.

**UConn Marks 6th Year Among Top 25 Public Universities**

UConn is marking its sixth consecutive year among the nation’s Top 25 public universities as ranked by *U.S. News & World Report*. The No. 20 ranking reflects UConn’s strong graduation and retention rates, academic excellence, faculty resources, and several other factors.

**UConn a Leader in Closing the Engineering Gender Gap**

The University is closing the gender gap in its engineering program faster than many of its peers. The surge in women as a percentage of UConn’s engineering graduates over the past five years represents the largest percentage increase in the country among 90 public institutions surveyed recently by *The Washington Post*.

**UConn Students Earn Degrees Faster than Peers**

UConn students are graduating with their undergraduate degrees in an average of 4.2 years, almost a full year ahead of the average bachelor’s degree candidate at more than 3,600 post-secondary institutions nationwide, according to The National Student Clearinghouse Research Center.

**UConn Graduates Landing Jobs Quickly After Graduation**

New figures show that four of every five UConn graduates are established in jobs within a few months of graduating or are continuing their education, a testament to the University’s work to prepare students for careers and other post-graduate opportunities.

**UConn Experts in the Media**

* Select examples of national coverage in August and September of 2016

**Why the US Government Will Pay Native Americans Almost Half a Billion Dollars**

Christian Science
Bethany Berger, UConn Law

**Getting a flu shot? It may be better to wait**

CNN
Laura Haynes, an immunologist at the UConn Center on Aging. Also covered in:

NPR Morning Edition
PBS News Hour
Mass Deportation Isn’t Just Impractical – It’s Very, Very Dangerous
Washington Post
Richard Ashby Wilson, the Gladstein Professor of Human Rights at UConn

What Obese Patients Should Say to Doctors
New York Times
Rebecca Puhl, the Rudd Center for Food Policy and Obesity at UConn

The Road to Higher Education with an ‘Invisible Disability’
The Atlantic
Joseph Madaus, professor of education at UConn

Carrot-Stick Approach: A Way to Get Folks to Eat More Veggies, Fruits
U.S. News & World Report
Marlene Schwartz of the Rudd Center at UConn

Obama Creates Connecticut-Size Ocean Park, First in Atlantic
National Geographic
Peter Auster, professor emeritus at UConn

Here’s What You Need to Know about Insuring Yourself with Uber
TIME magazine
Peter Kochenburger of UConn Law.

UConn Plans New Graduate Program in Genetic Counseling
Associated Press
Marc Lalande at UConn Health

How to Help Your Anxious Child
Parents magazine
Golda Ginsburg at UConn Health

Blame Global Warming for Your Bad Attitude
Washington Post
Mark Urban, professor of ecology and evolutionary biology at UConn

How Poverty Changes the Brain
Newsweek
Matthew Hughey, sociologist at UConn

Do You Read Terms Of Service Contracts? Not Many Do, Research Shows
NPR
Anne Oeldorf-Hirsch, communications professor at UConn.

Being the Breadwinner May Be Bad for Younger Men’s Well-Being
CNN
UConn sociologist Christin Munsch. Also covered in:
The Atlantic The Health Benefits of Decoupling Money and Masculinity
The Guardian Men who act as breadwinners face negative health effects, study finds
The Telegraph Being sole breadwinner is bad for men’s health but good for women
TIME New Study: It’s Actually Bad for Men to Be Breadwinners

Two Years After Ferguson, What Has Changed?
Fortune
Monnica Williams, professor of psychology at UConn

On Earnings Calls, Retail Execs Underplay How Well The Company Is Performing
Forbes
Namho Kang, business professor at UConn

Driving While Distracted: Parents do it, too
CNN
David Greenfield at UConn Health

As Trampoline Parks Jump In Popularity, So Do Injuries
NPR
Kathryn Kasmire, pediatric emergency medicine, UConn Health

Public Service

Projects
* Select Examples

UConn Center Will Give Connecticut Manufacturers Access to Modeling Technology
A $2.1 million partnership between UConn’s School of Engineering, the United States Economic Development Administration and Connecticut Innovations created a new manufacturing simulation center for Connecticut. This center will allow UConn’s School of Engineering to share its robust computer modeling facilities and expertise with small and medium-sized Connecticut manufacturers, to help companies create products faster and more efficiently.

Intellectual Property Law Clinic Provides Help for Inventors
The intellectual property clinic is part of a three-pronged strategy under legislation passed in 2007 that is ultimately intended to create jobs by providing the support and services needed by innovators to bring their ideas to market. The program trains law students to pursue trademark and patent applications before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office on behalf of individuals and small business owners unable to afford the services of a private patent or trademark attorney. Since it was founded eight years ago, the clinic has helped 369 clients, registered 159 trademarks, and had 23 patents issued.

Keeping Connecticut’s Bridges Strong
A new bridge repair method developed at UConn, that could significantly decrease the time, lane closures, and cost needed to repair a bridge, has led to a federal Sweet 16 Transportation Through Excellence Award to the Connecticut Department of Transportation. The method of repair involves using advanced concrete as a cast over the end of a bridge’s steel girders, where corrosion from the
elements and salt often occur.

**Pilot Reading Initiative in Elementary Schools**
A pilot reading initiative led by two UConn professors is helping to close Connecticut’s significant reading achievement gap. Results presented in the spring showed that schools adopting the CT K-3 Reading Model for three years or more had more than doubled the number of students meeting grade-level literacy goals, while also reducing the number of students at significant risk for reading failure by more than half. The initiative started with five schools, but has since expanded to 34.

**R&D Assistance to Boost Business in the ‘Quiet Corner’**
With start-up funding from the Economic Development Administration, UConn has created a center to connect small and medium-sized technology and manufacturing businesses in Eastern Connecticut with the University’s resources and outside partners. The Economic Development Administration is a federal agency that provides support for economically distressed communities. The Quiet Corner Innovation Cluster (QCIC) is working with companies in New London, Tolland, and Windham counties to develop new products and update business opportunities for manufacturers by providing R&D support.

**Training for Pharmacists to Help Combat Opioid Overdose**
The UConn School of Pharmacy is currently training and certifying pharmacists to prescribe naloxone. The training involves a two-hour continuing education program developed jointly by the Connecticut Pharmacists Association and UConn’s School of Pharmacy in collaboration with the State of Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, and others. Naloxone is a reversal agent approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for emergency treatment of opioid overdose.

**Boosting Climate Resiliency in Bridgeport**
UConn researchers are part of a coalition that designed a demonstration project in Bridgeport to protect critical energy infrastructure and residents in one of the state’s poorest, most vulnerable neighborhoods. In January, the proposal won $54.3 million from the National Disaster Resilience Competition, held by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development. The project will take advantage of the state’s unique geography, and use it to support broader efforts to promote transit-oriented development.

**Preparing Ethnically and Linguistically Diverse Social Workers**
A workforce training program created by UConn’s School of Social Work in partnership with the state Department of Children and Families (DCF) is preparing a select group of graduate social work students to work with the most vulnerable children and families the state agency serves. The partnership also hopes to increase the ethnic diversity and linguistic competency of the agency’s staff to better represent the diverse population served.

**Cultural Offerings**
*Select Examples*

**Dramatic Arts**
The Boston Pops Orchestra invited the Puppet Arts Program to collaborate on a performance during its spring program at Symphony Hall in Boston. *Puppets Take the Pops* featured six original
puppet vignettes created by a class of undergraduate and graduate students, who developed the storylines, built the puppets and were featured in three performances, including a tribute to long-time Pops conductor Arthur Fiedler.

Art

The William Benton Museum of Art was selected to exhibit First Folio! The Book That Gave Us Shakespeare, a traveling exhibition organized by the Folger Shakespeare Library, which selected one location in each of the 50 states to host the exhibit. A month-long series of activities related to Shakespeare’s plays took place on campus. The museum experienced a 25 percent increase in visitors during the month-long exhibition.

Three UConn galleries presented AIDS 35, a series of three exhibitions marking 35 years since the diagnosis of the first cases of HIV/AIDS, and 20 years since advances in research changed it from a death sentence to a manageable chronic disease. The exhibits reflect images and materials produced in response to the AIDS epidemic or by artists associated with it in a variety of media displayed at the Thomas J. Dodd Research Center, William Benton Museum of Art, and the Carolyn Ladd Widmer Wing of the School of Nursing.

Music

The UConn Collegium Musicum, under the direction of Eric Rice, head of the Department of Music and a scholar of music written before 1750, performed Shakespeare’s Songbook, music from the plays of William Shakespeare, using instruments from the University’s collection of early music instruments as part of the First Folio exhibition.

Grammy and Pulitzer Prize-winning vocal ensemble Roomful of Teeth were in residence in the Department of Music working with students and then performed with the UConn Concert Choir, Wind Ensemble, and Symphony Orchestra at J. Louis von der Mehden Recital Hall. They also met with students in the Art & Art History Department who created works of art in response to their music.

Information Required by State Statute

Affirmative Action

In accordance with state and federal laws and regulations, the University of Connecticut is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. The University’s affirmative action plans are in compliance with the requirements of the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, pursuant to the Regulations for Affirmative Action in the Connecticut General Statutes.

Fall 2015 minority undergraduate enrollment at all campuses was 30 percent. Graduate and professional minority enrollment was 18 percent. One hundred eleven countries were represented among the international students, who comprised 24 percent of the graduate and professional students. Females comprised 50 percent of the undergraduate and 51 percent of the graduate/professional student populations.
NELSAMP

Under the leadership of the University of Connecticut, a higher education alliance dedicated to expanding diversity in the STEM fields recently received an infusion of $3.5 million in fall 2016 to increase its efforts. The five-year National Science Foundation (NSF) grant marks a significant commitment to the regional initiative with a national profile.

Founded in 2001, the Northeast Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (NELSAMP) is made up of a half-dozen New England schools working to increase the number of historically underrepresented students in STEM. This fall, UConn assumed the lead role for the alliance, which includes Northeastern University; Tufts University; University of Massachusetts, Amherst; University of Rhode Island; and Worcester Polytechnic Institute. The UConn LSAMP Program currently supports 125 students through advising, personal, and professional development, and by providing a community of scholars on campus.

The fall 2015 workforce for Storrs and regional campuses included 23 percent minority faculty and 17 percent minority staff. At UConn Health, the workforce included 31 percent minority faculty and 26 percent minority staff. Females comprised 41 percent of the faculty and 57 percent of the staff at Storrs and regional campuses. At UConn Health, 42 percent of the faculty and 77 percent of the staff were females.

Fiscal Health

An independent auditing firm gave its seal of approval to the University for fiscal prudence in managing construction spending for UCONN 2000 projects. McGladrey LLP, a Chicago-based financial consulting firm, notified UConn that it found no problems with the University’s procedures for estimating project costs, maintaining records, allocating payments, and tracking budgets. Audit findings underscore the University’s strong fiscal standards for administering new major initiatives such as Next Generation Connecticut.

Governing Board

The University of Connecticut Board of Trustees is comprised of 21 members: 12 appointed by the Governor; two elected by alumni; two elected by students; and five ex-officio, including the Governor, UConn Health Board of Directors Chair, and the Commissioners of Agriculture, Economic and Community Development, and Education.

Members of the Board of Trustees in 2016-17: Honorable Dannel P. Malloy, president; Lawrence D. McHugh, chairman; Andrea Dennis-LaVigne, secretary; Andy F. Bessette; Mark L. Boxer; Kevin A. Braghirol, student trustee; Charles F. Bunnell; Shari G. Cantor; Richard T. Carbray, Jr.; Sanford Cloud, Jr.; Marilda L. Gandara; Thomas E. Kruger; Adam J. Kuegler, student trustee; Rebecca Lobo; Donny Marshall; Denis J. Nayden; Steven K. Reviczky; Thomas D. Ritter; Catherine H. Smith; Dianna R. Wentzell.