



THE CHARGER EXPERIENCE

Division of Student Affairs



WE ENDEAVOR TO DELIVER AN EXCEPTIONAL, DISTINCTIVE, AND TRANSFORMATIVE EXPERIENCE!

We support your student by:

- Creating meaningful opportunities for involvement and connection beyond the classroom
- Equipping students with the skills and experience needed for life and career readiness
- Supporting overall development—academically, socially, and personally
- Fostering a welcoming campus community where every student can thrive and feel a true sense of belonging





OUR CORE VALUES

Student Centered: We place student success at the center of our decisions and activities to cultivate their full academic & personal potential.

Engaged & Inclusive Community: We celebrate students and what you bring, creating a community where everyone feels valued, included, and empowered to belong.

Impactful Education: We intentionally engage students in experiential education to prepare them for purposeful and fulfilling lives in a global society.

We strive to create a community that celebrates both our shared experiences and our differences in ways that bring students together. We value the individuality of our students and welcome all identities.

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STUDENT SUPPORT & ENGAGEMENT

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STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Student engagement is a key element of a **positive campus climate** and is linked to **academic and social achievement**.

- Student engagement significantly affects positive student growth.
- A student's major and career interests can create a need to participate in co-curricular programs.
- The academic and personal connection can create and sustain co-curricular involvement.
- The benefits of co-curricular involvement are related to community, personal growth, and personal interests.



STUDENT PARTICIPATION

Why is it important to engage outside of the classroom?



Exciting opportunities can provide purpose and build confidence



Diverse programs to explore



Build connections & strengthen relationships



Programs are designed to be educational, challenging & enlightening



FUN!

STUDENT LEADERSHIP & ENGAGEMENT

- **100+ Recognized Student Organizations**
 - Student Government
 - Honor Societies
 - Hobbies & Interest Groups
 - Career Focused, and more!
- **Fraternity and Sorority Life**
- **Late Night Programming**
- **Civic Engagement (Community Service)**
- **Commuter Programming**



RESIDENTIAL STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

COMMUNITY • CONNECTION • BELONGING



- **Residential Curriculum**
 - Intentional enrichment activities designed to bolster students' knowledge & competency development
- **Area Coordinator & Residential Assistant Programming**
 - Building community on campus
 - On-Call Professional & Peer Support
- **Enhanced Learning Communities (ELCs)**
- **Residence Hall Association (RHA)**
- **Student Leadership & Employment Opportunities**

ATHLETICS & RECREATION

ChargerREC @ Beckerman Recreation Center

- All services for commuters and residential students: ID is required!**
- GroupX fitness classes weekly: Yoga, Spinning, Zumba
- Drop in/informal recreation: badminton, basketball, etc.
- Variety of fitness equipment and indoor track
- Intramural Sports: compete against fellow students
- Club Sports: Develop leadership skills while continuing your sport or try a new one. Compete against other colleges & university club teams
- Student Employment

**New Haven Athletics:
Welcome to Charger Nation!**

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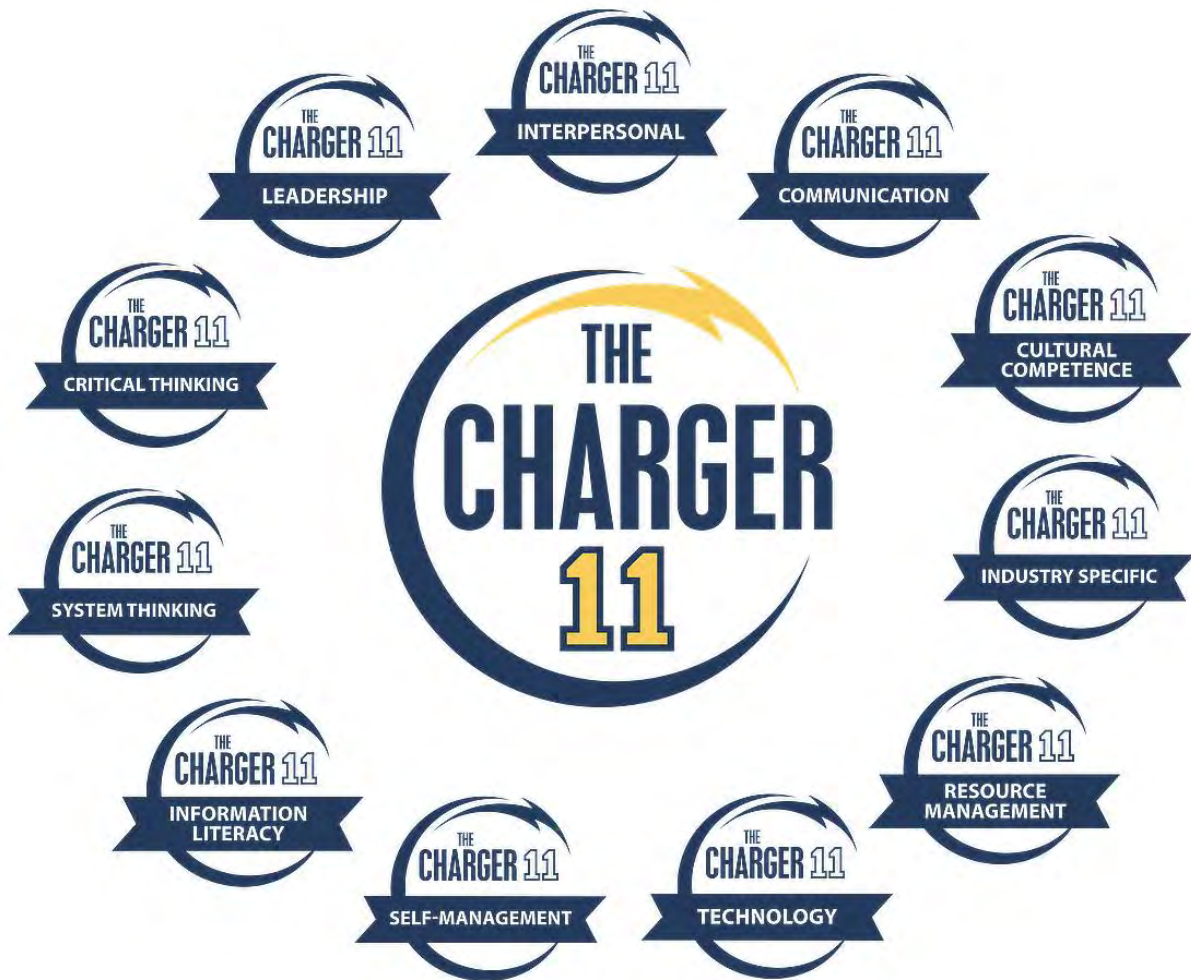
Benefits of Movement, Exercise & Play

- Improved sleep
- Reduce stress
- Connect with others
- Increase energy
- Improve memory and creativity
- **Having FUN!**



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THE CHARGER ELEVEN



A PATH TO LIFE & CAREER READINESS

- You will see these competencies woven into your courses, co-curricular activities, internships, and service opportunities.
- Provides an opportunity to intentionally build skills that will set you apart after Commencement as you learn to articulate how you illustrate these key abilities.
- You'll experience a shared language & a common goal across the University.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Advising – Preparation – Connection

Life & Career Readiness

Skill Articulation

Application Materials

Resume & Interview Training

Partnerships & Connections

Career Fairs & Networking

Classroom Presentations

Readiness & Internship Support

Job Placement Support

Candidate submission to Roles

UPLOAD your resume into Handshake

UPSKILL your career readiness

UPDATE your resume for talent placement



Handshake

- National system for jobs, internships, and career events - thousands posted annually
- Make appointments with Career Center
- On-campus recruiting calendar
- Employer hosted events and info sessions
- Mobile app for students
- **Upload your resume – get contacted by Career Center for opportunities!**
- Modern, engaging, and integrated across campus

Get the job done

Students

Launch the next step in your career.

Employers

Hire the next generation of talent.

Career Centers

Bring the best jobs to your students.

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You can also [sign in with your email address](#).
(Please use your .edu address, if applicable.)

Job hunt on the go with the Handshake app

Download the app on iPhone or Android to be the first to know about new jobs.





STUDENT HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT

The University provides a robust support system that connects and empowers all students as they navigate their academic and personal journeys.

We aspire to create welcoming and inclusive environments by helping students navigate their collegiate experience, develop resilience, and make meaning of their unique experiences.

FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

Sharing Information

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords students certain rights with respect to their education records.

All academic records of are stored in the Office of the Registrar. Financial Aid records are stored in the Office of Financial Aid.

Students who may wish to review their records must request to do so in writing; an email may not be used for this request. The student's current contact information must be provided in the written request.

Disclosure of student records is normally controlled by the student. Disclosure to others (including parents or guardians) of academic or disciplinary action requires a prior release from the affected student.

Academic & Disciplinary Contacts

MyCharger → Student Resources Tab

Students are expected to complete the **Update Academic & Disciplinary Form** annually on MyCharger. The form allows students to name contacts who are authorized to access their academic and/or disciplinary records. Students may choose to authorize up to two individuals.

This form may be modified at any time on MyCharger.



STUDENT HOLISTIC CARE MODEL



ESTABLISHING HOLISTIC CARE



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HealthCare

Athletic Training – Sports Medicine & Rehabilitation
Counseling & Psychological Services
Health Services Center

Student Support & Navigate

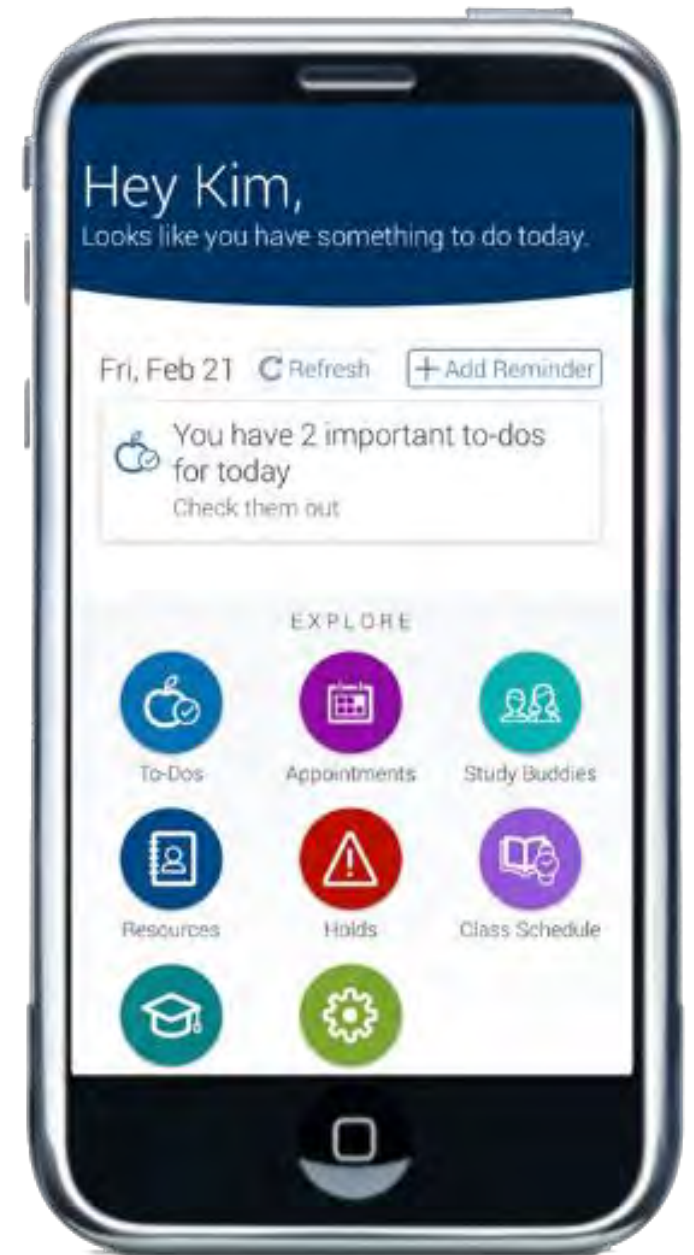
Informational and Outreach alerts including attendance/participation reminders, updates about concerning grades, and options to withdraw.

Automated emails to students which include information about the alert raised, tips to resolve the specific alert, and instructions for meeting with campus resources. Faculty advisors may also receive automated emails regarding student progress.

Students may also receive phone call and email communications with additional assistance.

Repeated alerts and those regarding concerning behavior, result in **outreach** from a professional staff member. The CARE Team analyzes incoming alerts to monitor student progress and ensure success.

Early intervention is critical when assisting a student with significant absences, a disruption in their academics, and overall academic progress. We highly encourage students to download the Navigate app, to stay up to date on their progress.



Managing Life Circumstances

Students are expected to attend regularly their classes. Students absent from any class are responsible for making up missed assignments/exams at the discretion of the instructor. We recommend students promptly talk with their professors to communicate matters that may be impacting their ability to temporarily attend classes, focus on classwork, and/or meet academic deadlines.

The **Religious Observance Policy** allows students to observe religious holidays that may necessitate their absence from class or from other required University-sponsored activities. Located within the Student Handbook, it is the student's responsibility to notify their instructor.

Students experiencing a short-term illness impacting their ability to attend or fully participate in academic courses may complete the **Student Illness Notification Form**. Completion of the form requires documentation from a provider verifying the injury or illness. Qualifying illnesses include, but may not be limited to, Flu, COVID, Respiratory Illness, Mono, Hospitalization, etc.

The Dean of Students Office assist students experiencing **extenuating or emergent life circumstances**, which may include, but is not limited to, family death, serious illness of family member, and/or sudden tragedy (house fire, car accident). Extenuating circumstances that may impair a student's ability to participate beyond a week will result in referral to Accessibility Resources Center for consideration as a Temporary Medical Condition or may trigger alternative resolution (university withdrawal, etc.).

CAMPUS DINING EXPERIENCE

Charger Pride Meal Plan *required first year plan*

- 21 meal swipes per week at dining halls (Marketplace and FoD)
- Food Truck swipes & 6 Guest Meal Passes
- \$200 Dining Dollars, \$50 FLEX Dollars

Large Array of Dining Options

- 2 resident dining halls
 - The Marketplace – All you care to eat
 - Food On Demand – Made to order
- 11 Retail Dining Locations
- Mobile order-ahead for pickup with GrubHub 

Additional Offerings

- Allergy Aware & Plant-Based offerings
- Reusable To-Go container program
- Feedback opportunities – Dining Committee, Surveys + more!

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FIRST YEAR STUDENT TRANSITION PROGRAMS

Early Arrival & Year-Long Programs

FIRST: Fostering Intentional Relationships for Successful Transition

- Collaborative program hosted by CSELO, DOS & the Myatt Center
- Students who are first in their families to attend college, multicultural students, and students who may have difficulty transitioning to college are welcome to apply.
- Program begins with an August experience, and continues with ongoing mentorship, advising, and events throughout the year.
- Application due August 1st
- For more information, email first@newhaven.edu

Men's Collective

- A mentoring program for male-identifying students of color supported by faculty & staff.
- Participation includes biweekly mentoring, advising, and monthly supporting programming;
- For more information, email mc@newhaven.edu



APPLY NOW!

BEFORE YOU LEAVE TODAY, THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW!

FIRST-YEAR TRANSITION PROGRAMS

- FIRST Program:
 - Early Arrival Program: August 18 – 19
 - Apply to Participate By: August 1
 - Application on www.newhaven.edu/FIRST

CHARGE IN & RESIDENTIAL MOVE-IN

- Charlie's Fast Pass: August 15
- Residential Student Move-In: August 20
- Commuter Return to Campus: August 20
- **Charge In: August 20-23**
 - Required for all new incoming students

THE WELCOME EXPERIENCE

August 24 – 30, 2026

- Involvement Fair
- Residential, Commuter & Myatt Center Events
- Late Night Events
- Recognized Student Organization Events

IMPORTANT DATES

- ARC Accommodations: Apply NOW!
- Health Insurance Waiver: July 31
- Student Health Records: August 1
- Homecoming: September 19
- Family Day: October 3

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DAY 2 REMINDERS

Family Meet Up & Info Table

9:30 am – 12:00 pm, Beckerman Rec Center

Rotating Sessions

Begin at 10:00 am, Bergami Innovation Center

- Understanding Healthcare & Wellness
- Counseling & Psychological Services
- Career Readiness & Development
- Student Academic Support
- Supporting Residential Students
- Commuter & Off-Campus Program
- Accessibility Resources Center

Resource Fair

9:30 am – 1 pm, Beckerman Rec Center



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Questions & Answers



THANK YOU

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