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# Welcome to **SOAR**

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STUDENT ORIENTATION  
ADVISING & REGISTRATION

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# Passing the torch!

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**Where are you from?**  
**Who traveled the furthest?**  
**Who lives the closest?**











**Tobacco-Free  
Smoke-Free  
CAMPUS**

*A Healthy  
Choice* 





# Restrooms

(Locker rooms)





# Wifi



- **Family Members**
  - “ChargerFamilies”
  - No Password – will have access for 48 hours
- **Students**
  - “ChargerWifi”
  - Log in with University Credentials (i.e., username/password)









# Communication

## Email

**Be sure to frequently check your University email for updates and important information!**





# Road Map

Reminder...

Complete all  
steps on your  
Roadmap in  
the Accepted  
Students  
Portal





# Road Map

Please Complete/Read All Steps Below:

[STEP 1 - Create Your University of New Haven Network Account Password](#)

[Student Orientation \(SOAR\) Registration and Information](#)

[Send Official Final Documents](#)

[Recording - Road Map Workshop](#)

[Charger Recreation Waiver - Please read and SIGN](#)

Residential Life:

[Resident Students: Complete the Housing Application - June 1](#)

[Roommate Selection - Submit by July 16th \(if applicable\)](#)

Billing and Financial Information:

[How to Access your Financial Aid Award - Accept/Decline Aid by June 1](#)

[Pay Your First Semester Bill - Due August 1](#)





# Road Map

## Health Forms and Insurance Waiver:

Complete and Submit Health Forms and Proof of Immunization – Due August 1

Accept or Waive University Health Insurance by July 31

## Welcome Center Steps in Canvas:

Placement Process and Pre-Registration – Due June 1

Incoming Credit Survey (AP/IB/College Courses) – Due July 15

Submit Your Campus Card ID Photo – Due before your SOAR date

## Informational Steps:

Mark your Calendars and Important Dates!

Key Offices, Contact Info, and Terms to Know

Chosen First Name Form

Portal and Links

Accessibility Resources Center – Accommodations/Applications

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA)







# Schedule Highlights:

## Families:

1pm to 4pm      Family Lounge  
4:15pm to 5pm   Family Networking Social  
Day 2:            Challenge By Choice

## Students:

Evening Activities  
Smores, Karaoke, Pool Tournament, TeaTime

## Resource Fair

Tomorrow 11:30am to 2:00pm







# Questions?

**Text (203) 671-9515**

- Day 1: 8am-5pm
- Day 2: 8am-2pm

• Resource Table in Lobby today

• Family - Day 2:  
Information HUB  
outside Rec



Introducing...

# Charlie the Charger







# Meet the Orientation Team



# Video



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# Monique Bolt

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Associate Vice President  
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YOUR  
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EXPERIENCE!!**





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# The Student Experience

## Our approach

**Exceptional, distinctive** and **transformational** experience!

### What students can expect?

- Co-curricular Opportunities
- Career Readiness Opportunities
- Recognition & Celebration
- Holistic Care







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# STUDENT ENGAGEMENT & SUPPORT





# Why Do We Value Diversity, Equity & Inclusion



The University of New Haven embraces diversity and recognizes our responsibility to foster a diverse, inclusive, and welcoming environment.

**The Myatt Center for Diversity and Inclusion** serves as a resource in the charger community to celebrate our commonalities and our differences in ways that bring us together.

We appreciate the individuality of our students and welcome all identities.



# Student Engagement

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

- Student engagement significantly positively affects 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 encourage student participation outside of the classroom?

- Choices can be exciting and fulfilling
- Diverse programs
- Make connections, build confidence and strength relationships.
- Programs are designed to create opportunities to educate, enlighten, challenge,
- Students to have FUN!

## Types of Student Engagement

- Recognized Student Organization
- Fraternity and Sorority Life
- Late Night Programming
- Civic Engagement
- University Recreation Program
- Residence Life Programming





# Career Development Center (CDC)

## *College and Career Readiness*

### Top Outcomes Expected from a College Education

- Get a job after graduation
- Get a solid foundation for an entire career
- Gain practical career skills



### Top Important Experiences In College

- Interactions with other students
- Internships
- Participate in clubs/activities
- Employment



# The CDC is YOUR place for anything internships and career related!

We bring career information and preparation to you.



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# Start Your Career Adventure

Career Development Center  
(CDC)



# College and Career Readiness

## University of New Haven Employment Outcomes for 2022

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6 Month-Out Surveys

91.96 %

Undergraduate Class of 2022

Career Outcomes Rate

93.02 %

Graduate Class of 2022

Career Outcomes Rate

[Employment Outcomes - University of New Haven](#)





# Student Support Resources

The University of New Haven provides a robust system that supports, 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 the University, develop resilience, and make meaning of their unique experiences.

We welcome students and family members to reach out to the Dean of Students Office if you are experiencing a crisis or just need someone to talk through a problem or experience you are having (academics, social or emotional).





# Establishing Holistic Care for Students



Spiritual Life & Campus Ministry



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# Providing Support For Students

Students deserve safe and supportive environments that are conducive to academic and personal growth.

- **Dean of Students Office**
  - Case Management Approach to student support
- **Accessibility Resources Center**
  - Providing support for students with disability
- **Office of Residence Life**
  - Supportive resources for students living on campus
- **The Student Health Center**
  - Medical services provided to students
- **Counseling and Psychological Services**
  - Supporting students' mental health





# Student Holistic Care at University of New Haven



**All students are encouraged to be proactive in practicing self-care and building their community of support through the various student activities and programs offered by the university**



# On-Campus Dining Experience

*Your nutrition is our top priority*

## Meal Plan - Charger Pride

- 21 meal swipes per week at resident dining locations
- 2 meal swipes may be used at the Food Trucks + \$50 Dine+ Dollars
- 6 Guest passes for visitors/friends
- \$200 Dining Dollars for retail shops

*Variety of plans for non-resident students  
& upper-class students*

## Large array of dining options

- 2 Resident Dining locations
- Allergen-friendly fare
- Vegan & Plant-based options
- 9 Retail Dining locations
- Order-ahead & grab-n-go options
- Feedback opportunities

*Here to support students' food & nutrition needs*



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*Available for Nutrition Counseling!*





Q & A



# Before You Leave Today Things You Should know!

## Student Support Programs

- FLEx Program: **August 20 - 22**
- DREAM Program: **August 21 - 22**
- BUILD Program: **August 21 - 23**

## Student Engagement & Move -In

- Roommate Assignment- 2nd week in July
- When is move in for Residents?
  - *Wednesday, August 23*
- When do Commuters return to campus?
  - *Thursday, August 24*
- Charge In: **August 24 - 27**

## The Welcome Experience (August 28 - Sept 9)

- Involvement Fair
- Facebook Live Events for Families
- Residence Life & Myatt Center Events
- "Chargers After Dark" - Late Night Event
- Recognized Student Organization Events

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Family Day: **Saturday, October 7**
- Homecoming: **Saturday, October 14**



# DAY TWO REMINDERS

## SOAR Sessions

- Understanding Healthcare at the University of New Haven
- Resource Fair
- Accessibility Resources
- BUILD Program



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