Residential Life Policy

Living on-campus at the University of Connecticut is a privilege and is treated as such. Expectations of community living include but are not limited to sharing and negotiating the use of space with others, treating others with respect, communicating with roommates/suitmates/apartment mates or housemates as well as floor-mates, and cooperating with Residential Life staff and policies.

All residents must accept responsibility for creating an environment that promotes individual growth and builds community through the safe, respectful exchange of diverse thought, opinion, and feeling.

Rules and regulations:

- **Liability/Responsibility for Personal Property**: The University assumes no legal obligation for damage, theft, or loss of personal property. Guests are responsible for protecting and securing any personal property located within any on-campus assignment and are encouraged to obtain appropriate insurance.

- **Common Areas**: Public and common area damages (e.g., bathrooms, lounges, hallways and apartment/suites living rooms) where responsibility is not accepted by or identified as belonging to an individual or group, charges will be determined and billed to the conference group.

- **Alcohol**: Behavior which is potentially harmful to oneself or others or which disturbs the learning and/or living environment at the University because of the use, sale, service or possession of alcohol or illegal drugs is prohibited. The possession or use of alcoholic beverages is restricted to those persons age 21 or older. In buildings with minors, no alcohol is permitted.

- **No Smoking**: Connecticut State Law prohibits smoking in University-owned housing at public colleges and/or universities. Smoking is not permitted in entrances to any on-campus Residential facility, including the use of electronic cigarettes. All University housing facilities are smoke-free.

- **Quiet/Courtesy Hours**: Guests are expected to be considerate of their neighbors during all hours of the day and courtesy hours are to be observed at all times. Guests must observe posted quiet hours both inside and outside of on-campus housing. Minimally, there are University-wide quiet hours from 10:00 pm to 7:00 am Sunday to Thursday and from 12:00 am to 7:00 am Friday and Saturday.

- **Safety and Security**: Safety and Security is a shared responsibility of the University staff and residents. All residential areas are secured by 24/7 card access only. Guests who exit by locked exterior doors are responsible for leaving the doors in a locked position. For reasons of safety and security residents should not leave their room doors unlocked, lend keys, share combinations, etc. Given the risk to the overall community, residents are not to engage in any “propping” of doors, and such violations will be treated seriously. Guests should always carry their Conference Cards and room keys and may be required to use them to gain access.
• **Sports:** Any activity (including but not limited to: ball playing, roller blade use, skateboarding, water fights, darts), which could cause personal injury or cause damage to property is prohibited within University-owned housing.

• **Bias-Related Incidents:** A bias-related incident is an incident that negatively targets, intimidates, or threatens an individual or group due to race, ethnicity, ancestry, national origin, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, physical, mental, and intellectual disabilities, as well as past/present history of mental disorders. Bias-related incidents are required to be reported to the UConn Police Department (non-emergency number: 860-486-4800).

• **Discriminatory and Sexual Harassment, Sexual Violence:** UConn is committed to creating and maintaining a campus environment free from all forms of discrimination and discriminatory harassment, including sexual harassment, sexual violence, relationship violence, stalking, and child abuse. All members of UConn’s community, including visitors, are responsible for maintaining a safe and welcoming learning environment. Anyone with concerns or questions should speak immediately with the One Summer Housing Desk, the UConn Police at 860-486-4800 (24/7) and/or the Office of Institutional Equity at 860-486-2943 (M-F, 8-5). More information about policies, resources and reporting is available online: sexualviolence.uconn.edu.