

**University of Connecticut (“UConn”)
Pre-College Summer (“Program”)****Program Policies, Consents, and Liability Waiver Form 2019****ATTENTION PARENTS/GUARDIANS AND PARTICIPANTS:****Instructions:**

- As participants are minors, both they and their parents/guardians are responsible for reading this entire document and providing a signature on the last page of the form. Your signatures will indicate your understanding and agreement of the contents of this document.
- Upload the Liability Waiver Signatures Page (only Page 11) to your online enrollment profile on the [course enrollment](#) site. A completed page includes hand signatures and dates from both participants and their parents/guardians. Please note that this form consists of 11 pages, but only the Signatures Page (page 11) must be submitted on your online profile.

The following sections are included in the Program Policies, Consents, and Liability Waiver Form:

- Participation Agreement (pages 2-7)
 - Program Regulations (pages 2-4)
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- Liability Release (pages 9-10)
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 - This page is to be uploaded to the participants’ enrollment profile

For questions regarding this form contact the **Pre-College Summer Program** at (860) 486-0149 or at PCS@uconn.edu.

PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

Program Regulations

The following rules and regulations apply to all participants, regardless of age at time of Program attendance. Failure to comply with any of the following will lead to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal from the Program. Participants (or their parents, guardians or other sponsors or supporters) who are dismissed from Pre-College Summer are not entitled to refunds of any kind from the Program.

Attendance & Participation. Participants are expected to attend the academic course(s) for which they are enrolled, scheduled mandatory workshops, as well as social and recreational activities of their choosing. Participants are expected to be punctual and to participate in a respectful manner. If for any reason the participant is unable to attend or arrive on time to a course, workshop or activity, the participant must contact a staff member (in most cases, their assigned Resident Manager or a Hall Coordinator). Recurring tardiness or absenteeism will lead to notification of the parent/guardian, and may lead to dismissal from the Program.

Supervision. The Program is an exploratory academic program for mature, self-motivated high-school students looking to gain a Pre-College summer experience. Participants are responsible to get themselves up and ready in the morning, eat meals, attend all courses and workshops, and engage in activities. The ability of participants to follow Program and University rules, Federal, State and local laws, and to act independently in a supportive college setting is required.

Although participants will have contact information for Program residential staff members at all times while attending the Program, staff and/or faculty supervision is provided during the following scheduled activities: courses, workshops, social and recreational activities, field trips, and meals. Following curfew in the residence hall, participants are under the general supervision of residential staff who address participants' needs during their stay with the Program. During free time and social and recreational activities, participants may choose to engage in independent, small, or large group activities of their choosing.

Harassment, Hazing, Intimidation and/or Bullying. Participants must show respect for the rights and safety of others in the community and must not engage in any form of harassment, hazing, intimidation or bullying. This includes any behavior, whether in-person, in groups, or through other mediums (e.g., hand written notes, phone calls, texting, social media platforms, etc.), intended to offend or intimidate another person, including participants, staff or faculty.

Participation in any form of harassment, hazing, bullying, or intimidation is grounds for immediate dismissal from the Program. Prohibited conduct includes sexual violence, sexual harassment, and/or sexual assault. Parents/guardians and participants may familiarize themselves with UConn's Policy Against Discrimination, Harassment, and Related Interpersonal Violence (<https://policy.uconn.edu/2015/12/29/policy-against-discrimination-harassment-and-related-interpersonal-violence/>), by which Program participants and staff abide.

Alcohol, Drugs, and Illegal/Prohibited Behavior. Participants must abide by all applicable Federal, State, local laws and UConn policies, codes and procedures (<https://community.uconn.edu/student-behavior/>) as well as all Program rules and regulations. Any participant who endangers his or her own health or safety or the health or safety of another participant, staff member, or faculty member will be subject to disciplinary action.

Consumption, possession, or being in the presence of alcohol or illegal drugs is grounds for immediate dismissal from the Program, as is possession or use of drug paraphernalia, firearms, knives, other weapons, or fireworks.

Sexual Activity. Participants may not engage in any form of sexual activity.

Tobacco Policy. Tobacco use is prohibited. Participants found in possession of tobacco will be subject to disciplinary action.

Property Damage and/or Vandalism. The parents/guardians of Program participants are financially responsible for any damage or loss suffered by UConn and/or any Program-affiliated locations/events caused by their child/ward.

Available Health Services and Medication.

UConn Health Urgent Care and other appropriately deemed medical services provide Program participants with appropriate medical and mental health services. These services may include providing medications for treatment of illnesses/injuries. Program staff will provide access to these services, including arranging for emergency medical care as needed.

In the case of a health or safety situation, UConn Health Urgent Care and other medical services may disclose information about participant medical records (including treatment, payment, healthcare operations, etc.) to appropriate University personnel, parents/guardians, and/or listed emergency contacts. Parents/guardians will assume financial responsibility for all expenses of such care. This authorization is given in advance of any such medical treatment and is given to provide authority and power on the part of the University of Connecticut to exercise its best judgment upon the advice of medical or emergency personnel.

An onsite nurse will not be present to administer medication to participants. It is the participant's responsibility to secure and self-administer any necessary prescribed medications. The Program will not provide any medication or over-the-counter drugs. Should medication require refrigeration, a mini-refrigerator equipped with a 3-prong plug and no more than 36' in height may be brought to campus.

Emergency Contact Notification Policy:

In the event of an emergency, appropriate University personnel will make necessary efforts to contact parents/guardians of Program participants. In the case that contact cannot be made with parents/guardians, Program staff will attempt to contact listed emergency contacts.

In the extreme case that staff cannot contact parents/guardians and/or listed emergency contacts, University/Program staff will make decisions based on the emergency.

Proof of Insurance Coverage. All participants should be enrolled in health care insurance while attending the Program in the event of requiring medical services. For this reason, participants are required to carry a photo ID and health insurance card.

International participants should confirm with their health plan provider that they will be covered internationally during their stay in the United States. If international participants are not covered, they will need to purchase coverage for the dates they will be attending the Program.

Use of Visual/Audio/Mobile Technology Device Policy. The Program is committed to providing an environment that is conducive to learning. When participating in an organized Program event/activity, participants are to keep technology on silent/turned off, and be put away, unless otherwise noted.

Use of cell phones, cameras and other visual or audio devices is prohibited in restrooms, showers, lockers rooms or other changing areas. Participants should be respectful of all individuals and should ask permission of others prior to taking and/or sharing photos, videos, and other media.

Computer/Technology Policy. The use of University-owned computer resources and technology for any purposes other than academic research and instruction is prohibited.

Motor Vehicle Policy. Use of a motor vehicle during the Program is not allowed. Under no circumstance is a participant allowed to ride in any vehicle for the duration of their stay in the Program, unless approved by Program staff for Program-related activities or emergencies.

Disciplinary Sanctions

Failure to abide by the Program and Residence Hall rules and regulations (below), laws, policies, codes, procedures, or failure to respect the authority of Program staff members in their enforcement, may result in sanctions including but not limited to:

- Parental/Guardian Contact
- Limitations on Program events/activities
- Verbal and/or written warnings
- Restitution for property damage
- Dismissal from the Program
 - If dismissal is deemed necessary, the participant will be sent home at the expense of the parent(s) or legal guardian(s). No refunds will be issued.

Residence Hall Regulations

All Program participants will reside in UConn Residence Halls, and Program participants (“Residents”) must abide by all applicable regulations. 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/suitemates as well as floor-mates, and cooperating with Program 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.

Residents who violate any of these regulations may be subject to dismissal from the Program. If dismissal is deemed necessary, Residents will be sent home at the expense of the parents/legal guardian(s). No refunds will be issued.

Community Living Standards. All Residents are expected to be respectful and responsible members of the communities within UConn residence halls. Residents are expected to refrain from actions that prevent individuals from having a safe and respectful community living experience.

Health & Safety Standards. Any activity deemed to be a threat to the health and safety of Residents is strictly prohibited. Basic health standards are expected to be upheld regarding sanitary conditions, hygiene, and appropriate use of bathrooms and common areas. It is expected that Residents will keep kitchen areas, bathrooms, hallways, lounges and their assigned rooms clean. Cleaning services staff will not enter a room that is occupied by a minor, and therefore Residents must keep their room clean and discard any trash in the provided trash rooms located on their floor.

Health & Safety Inspections. UConn staff reserves the right to enter residence hall rooms without the consent of the occupant in order to provide for the general well-being and protections of the community, its members and its property. Residential staff may conduct inspections to seek out and correct potentially dangerous situations before they cause damage or harm. If violations are observed in the case of an inspection, they may be reported.

Security Regulations. Safety and Security are a shared responsibility of Program staff and Residents. Residents should always carry and never lend their Program conference card or room key. All residential areas are secured 24 hours a day. Residents should always lock their room doors. When exiting on-campus housing through locked exterior doors, Residents are responsible for leaving the doors locked. Residents are prohibited from propping, tampering with and/or vandalizing doors.

Guests and Visitation. Program participants may only occupy the residence hall during their scheduled session and may not have guests or visitations of any kind, including former Program participants. Family members and authorized adults are prohibited from entering the residence halls, except during the scheduled Program’s check-in and check-out times.

Curfew Policy. Residents must be on their respective floors by 10:00PM and in their assigned rooms for the night by 10:30 PM. Residents’ University conference cards to the residence hall will be rendered inactive after 11:00PM.

Overnight Leave. Overnight visits off campus during the Program are prohibited.

Noise Policy. Residents must comply with requests to reduce excessive noise. At no time should any amplified sound be directed out of Residents' windows.

Disorderly Conduct. Excessive noise, use of stereos, radios, or sound amplification equipment, rowdiness, hall sports, or other loud and disruptive actions in residence halls and around campus will not be tolerated.

Furniture Policy. Each residence hall room is furnished with UConn furnishings, which must remain in the Residents’ rooms at all times. In addition, lounge and game room furnishings must remain in public areas and be respected at all times. Parents/guardians of Residents may be held financially responsible for costs associated with replacing missing or damaged furniture, games, and fixtures and/or removing unauthorized furniture or game pieces from their rooms, lounges, or game rooms.

Window Screen Policy. Window screens must remain on windows at all times.

Candle/Incense Policy. Candles, lit or unlit, are not permitted in Residents’ rooms. Recreational use of candles is prohibited in all areas of the residence halls. Incense, lit or unlit, is not allowed in the residence halls for fire safety reasons.

Pet Policy. UConn prohibits pets in the residence halls.

Alcohol, Drugs, Firearms, etc. Consumption, possession, distribution, or being in the presence of alcohol or illegal drugs is grounds for immediate dismissal, as is possession or use of drug paraphernalia, firearms, knives, other weapons, or fireworks.

Room Key and Conference Card Policy. All residence hall keys must be returned at the conclusion of the Program. There is a \$110 fee for each lost room key and a \$5 fee for each lost conference card.

Interpretation and Additional University Policies. Any question of interpretation regarding policies included in this document shall be referred to the Director of Pre-College Summer for final determination. For additional information about University policies and codes, please see <http://policy.uconn.edu/> and visit <http://community.uconn.edu/> to review *The Student Code*.

Violations of Rules and Regulations

The following behaviors will be deemed unfavorable acts per the Program policy, and will result in an **automatic dismissal** from the Program. These behaviors include but are not limited to:

- Possession or use of weapons and dangerous devices including knives, BB guns, fireworks, etc.
- Possession or consumption of illegal drugs or substances including marijuana and alcohol
- Violent and/or dangerous actions that pose a threat to oneself or others that require immediate police intervention
- Having a guest in the residence hall
- Sexual activity in any area of the University
- Sexual violence, harassment and/or assault
- Taking and/or sharing sexually explicit images and other media
- Theft (including shoplifting)
- Hazing, harassment or intimidation of others (see Harassment, Hazing, Intimidation and/or Bullying policy above in Program Regulations section)
- Fighting and/or physical aggression towards participants, staff, or others
- The setting of, or participation in unauthorized fires; the unauthorized or improper possession, use, removal, or disabling of fire safety equipment and warning devices; failure to follow standard fire safety procedures; or interference with firefighting equipment or personnel

The following behaviors will be deemed unfavorable acts per the Program policy, and will result in **potential dismissal** from the Program. These behaviors include but are not limited to:

- Being found in a bedroom/suite or side hallway of a floor to which you are not assigned
- The use of computer resources and technology for inappropriate purposes as deemed by the Program staff
- Disturbing the peace in any form within hallways, buildings, and general University property
- Destruction of any property
- Disorderly conduct as deemed inappropriate by the Program staff
- Violation of curfew policy
- Verbal aggression and/or threats towards participants, staff, or others
- Bullying (in-person, in groups, cyber-bullying or using social media) for the purposes of being mean, exclusive, or engaging in behavior intended to offend or intimidate another person
- Disrespectful conduct and unwillingness to follow directions during any event/activity sponsored by the Program

CONSENT TO PHOTOGRAPHY

I, the parent/guardian, authorize the University and its partners to take, use or distribute any photographs, videos, audiotapes, or any other medium that may be collected during my child/ward's participation in the Program.

I further agree to allow the Program to use these materials obtained during my child/ward's Program involvement for promotional or archival activities, including brochures, websites, and social media. In the event that my child/ward agrees to participate in a video interview, I provide advanced consent to their participation in a video interview, and consent to the use of their name, voice, and hometown in connection with such recordings.

CONSENT FOR TRANSPORTATION

As the parent/guardian, I give the Program permission to arrange any transportation for my child/ward to and from Program-sponsored events, in vans, buses or other vehicles driven or arranged by the Program.

I understand that this is a service provided to participants that involves transportation to another area, both on or off campus. Therefore, the Program will not be held liable in the event of an accident pursuant to the liability release.

CONSENT FOR ATHLETIC/RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

As the parent/guardian, I give the Program permission for my child/ward to participate in optional athletic and recreational activities made available by the Program. These athletic and recreational activities may include strenuous physical activities such as, but not limited to: stretching, walking, running, swimming, ball sports, rock climbing and other forms of exercise and sporting activities which may involve physical contact with others. I understand that participation in athletic and recreational activities carries with it certain inherent risks that cannot be eliminated regardless of the care taken to avoid injuries.

CONSENT FOR WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

(Multiple Session Participants Only)

As the parent/guardian, I understand that if my child/ward is completing consecutive Program sessions, they are expected to attend the scheduled Saturday field trip. This field trip may include my child/ward to be able to roam around an amusement park, shopping mall, movie theatre, or other venue, in which there will be frequent check-ins with staff throughout the activity. The scheduled activity is subject to change due to weather or other Program concerns. If they are not attending the field trip, participants must be signed out by an authorized adult from **Saturday by 11:00am until Sunday's orientation at 3:00pm.**

I, the parent/guardian, have read these statements of consent (Photography, Transportation, Athletic/Recreational and Weekend Activities), and I fully understand and agree to them.

LIABILITY RELEASE

This is a legally binding Release made by Student Participant/Releasor:

To: The University of Connecticut (“**University**”, “**UConn**”).

I fully recognize that there are dangers and risks to which I may be exposed by participating in the UConn Pre-College Summer Program (“**Program**”).

Description of Program Activities (“Activities”)

I understand and acknowledge that my participation will consist of attending session(s) offered as part of the Program by the University during the summer of 2019. Such sessions may include courses, workshops, social programming and recreational/athletic activities, seminars, and debates organized as part of the Program, and performing laboratory research under the overall supervision of a University faculty member, graduate assistant, and/or staff member.

I further understand that if conducting lab research, I will be exposed to an environment where hazardous chemicals are used and stored. Additionally, the laboratory environment also contains equipment that, if used improperly, could cause injury. Examples of equipment include but are not limited to lasers, open flame burners, high pressure non-combustible gas equipment, pressurized solvent vessels, glassware and other equipment. Please refer to the lab safety policies and procedures provided in the lab sections.

I also understand that the Program does not provide round-the-clock supervision. Supervision will only be provided during the following scheduled activities: workshops, evening social and recreational activities, field trips, and meals. Program accommodations do not include a phone and I am encouraged to bring a fully functional cell phone.

Risks and Dangers Associated with Participation

The following are examples of specific, significant, non-obvious dangers and risks associated with participating in the Program: loss or damage to property, physical injury or illness including, but not limited to, bodily injury, disease, strains, fractures, partial and/or total paralysis, death or other ailments that could cause serious disability.

Release

I understand that the University does not require me to participate in this Program, but I voluntarily choose to do so, despite the possible dangers and risks and despite this Release.

I therefore agree, in consideration of and in return for the services, facilities, and other assistance provided to me by the University in this Program, to RELEASE the University (and its Board of Trustees, officers, employees, and agents) from any and all liability, claims and actions that may

arise from injury or harm to me, from my death or from the loss or damage to my property in connection with my participation in this Program. I understand that this RELEASE covers liability, claims and actions caused entirely or in part by any acts or failures to act of the University (or its Trustees, employees, or agents), including but not limited to negligence, mistake, or failure to supervise by the University.

Additionally, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the State of Connecticut, its officers and employees, and each of them, of and from any and all loss, damage, cost, expense, claims, liability, and causes of action whatsoever arising out of any Program provided by at the University of Connecticut.

I recognize that this RELEASE means I am giving up, among other things, rights to sue the University, its Trustees, employees, and agents for injuries, damages, or losses I may incur. I also understand that this Release binds my heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, as well as myself.

I have read this entire LIABILITY RELEASE, I fully understand it and I agree to be legally bound by it.

THIS IS A RELEASE OF YOUR RIGHTS.

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING THE SIGNATURES PAGE (PAGE 11).

SIGNATURES PAGE

In signing this document, we, the undersigned, as the parent/guardian and Program participant (child/ward), acknowledge that we have read the foregoing in its entirety, understand it, and sign it voluntarily as our own free act and deed; no oral representations, statement, or inducement, apart from the foregoing written agreement have been made. Our signatures below indicate that we have all had the opportunity to read and review the Program Regulations, Residence Hall Regulations, Applicable Consents, and the Liability Release. The Program participant (child/ward) agrees to support and abide by all policies, codes, rules and regulations. We understand that failure to sign and return this document will prohibit the participant (child/ward) from participating in the UConn Pre-College Summer Program.

By signing below, we, the undersigned, fully understand and agree to the UConn Program Policies, Consents, and Liability Waiver Form. Below is a referenced list of all sections pertaining to this document:

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Participant's Full Name (print)

Participant's Signature Date

Parent/Guardian's Full Name (print)

Parent/Guardian's Signature Date

Addtl Parent/Guardian's Full Name (print)

Addtl Parent/Guardian's Signature Date

NOTE: Participants will not be permitted to check in to the Program without participant and parent/guardian signatures.

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