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TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

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RE: Academic Year 2026 Student Fee Revisions for the University of

Connecticut, Storrs and Regional Campuses

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board of Trustees approve new housing and dining rates for the Hartford Campus for AY26, the inclusion of all undergraduate students in the Husky Book Bundle program, an increase to the new student Enrollment Deposit Fee, and a new student-athlete tuition rate.

#### **RESOLUTION:**

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approve housing and dining rates at the Hartford Campus for AY26, Husky Book Bundle rates for all undergraduate students for AY26, the new student Enrollment Deposit Fee increase, and a student-athlete tuition rate beginning in AY26."

#### **BACKGROUND:**

### **Housing and Dining Rates**

Starting in the Fall 2025, students may opt to live in new University managed housing at the Hartford Campus. The proposed room rates are based on single or shared bedroom units. The new Hartford Campus café will also open in the Fall 2025. Students may opt for a new UConn meal plan that includes either 10 meals per week plus \$50 in dining points per semester or 5 meals per week plus \$50 dining points per semester. The full housing and dining rate schedule is attached.

## **Husky Book Bundle**

The University began the Husky Book Bundle (aka First Day Complete) program in the Spring 2023. This successful initiative has provided textbooks and course materials for all registered courses to full-time degree-seeking undergraduate students for a flat \$285 per semester fee. Due to continuous demand, we propose including all undergraduate students - full-time, part-time, and non-degree - in this program beginning in AY26. This would accommodate approximately 1,000 more students who are not currently eligible. As a reminder, this is an optional program; students may elect not to participate and not be charged.

Proposed tiered fee structure per semester:

Credits	Per	
	Semester	
12+	\$285	
5-11	\$180	
1-4	\$75	

## **Enrollment Deposit Fee**

The new student Enrollment Deposit Fee was restructured and set in the fall 2020. Note that this fee is not a credit on the fee bill and it is not refunded if a student chooses not to enroll in the fall semester. However, the fee may be waived due to high financial need as appropriate. The fee primarily funds the cost of a robust student orientation program. Over the last five years, University costs for this program including salaries and software contracts have risen significantly. We recommend increasing the Enrollment Deposit Fee from \$400 to \$550 beginning in the spring 2026. This is in line with rates at peer institutions which range from \$500 to \$600.

## **Student Athletes**

The Board previously approved setting scholarship and waiver programs for certain categories of students, including student-athletes, at the in-state tuition rate. To remain competitive in the face of developing revenue sharing conventions, which is critical to the University's athletics program, the administration recommends that all student-athletes (not just those on scholarship) be assessed tuition in an amount no less than the in-state tuition rate. Given the evolving legal and NCAA rules landscape, the University needs some flexibility to determine how best to remain competitive and compliant with any NCAA or other applicable rules. The University may accomplish this through means determined most appropriate, including but not limited to waiver, scholarship or by setting a rate specific to student athletes, the rate or value of which shall increase annually by the same percentage of any in-state tuition increase.

# University of Connecticut Summary of Recommended Adjustments to Housing and Dining Rates

Rate	Room Type	FY25	FY26	Increase		
Rate 1	Regular Double		\$8,066	\$216		
	Triple Traditional Residence Hall	\$7,850				
nate 1	Quad Four Person Room	φ7,630	ψ8,000	Ψ210		
	Northwood Apartments (Double in 2 Bedroom/3 Person)					
Rate 2	Werth Hall Double	\$8,228	\$8,886	\$658		
Rate 3	Busby/Garrigus Suites Triples	\$8,628	\$9,318	\$690		
	Busby/Garrigus/South Suites Double					
	Husky Village					
Rate 4	Northwood Apartments (Single in 2 Bed/2 Person)	\$9,830	\$10,616	\$786		
	Regular Single					
	Shippee C Section					
Rate 5	Werth Hall Single	\$9,984	\$11,182	\$1,198		
nate 5	Connecticut Hall Single	φ9,964		φ1,190		
	Busby/Garrigus/South Suites Single					
	Charter Oak/Hilltop Apartments 2 Bedroom/4 Person	\$10,476 \$11,734 \$1,258				
Rate 6	Hilltop Apartments Double Efficiency		\$11,734	\$1,258		
	Connecticut Hall (Single, Semi Suite Single, Full Suite Double)		]			
	The Oaks Apartment-2 Bedroom/3 Person *					
Rate 7	Charter Oak/Hilltop Apartments 4 Bedroom/4 Person	\$13,226	\$13,888	\$662		
	Charter Oak/Hilltop Apartments – 2 Bedroom/2 Person					
Rate 8	The Oaks Apartment-3 Bedroom/3 Person *	\$15,662	\$16,092	\$430		
	The Oaks Apartment-2 Bedroom/2 Person *					
Hartford Camp	ous Rates					
Hartford Rate 1	Standard Double-1 Bedroom/2 Person		\$11,734		Ne	
Hartford Rate 2	Standard Single-1 Bedroom/1 Person		\$13,888			
Stamford Cam	pus Rates					
Stamford Rate	1 Standard Shared Bedroom	\$11,698	\$12,020	\$322		
Stamford Rate	Premium Shared Bedroom	\$14,188	\$14,578	\$390		
Stamford Rate	Penthouse Shared Bedroom	\$14,818	\$15,226	\$408		

<sup>\*</sup>The Oaks Apartments are contracted for an 11-month period. An additional fee of \$1,848 will be assessed on the fall and spring fee bills to account for the extended period of access.

Rate	Plan Type	FY25	FY26	Increase
Rate 1	Ultimate-unlimited meals + 70 flex passes + 1,000 points	\$6,840	\$7,028	\$188
Rate 2	Value-unlimited meals + 80 flex passes + 400 points	\$6,530	\$6,710	\$180
Rate 3	Custom-unlimited meals + 150 flex passes	\$6,192	\$6,362	\$170
Avery Point Car	npus Dining - Optional			
Rate 1	10 meals per week + 100 points	\$2,940	\$2,940	\$0
Rate 2	5 meals per week + 100 points	\$1,660	\$1,660	\$0
Hartford Campi	us Dining - Optional			
Rate 1	10 meals per week + 100 points		\$2,940	
Rate 2	5 meals per week + 100 points		\$1,660	
Stamford Camp	ous Dining - Optional	-	-	•
Merchant Plan	25 meals	\$325	\$325	\$0