

# THE CHARGER EXPERIENCE

Transition, Support & Student Engagement

SOAR 2024

University of  
New Haven



# The Student Experience

**Exceptional, distinctive, and transformative experience!**

Our role in supporting your student:

- Create opportunities for student engagement outside of the classroom
- Provide life & career-readiness opportunities
- Monitor students' holistic development
- Foster a campus culture where everyone can thrive



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**STUDENT  
ENGAGEMENT  
& SUPPORT**



# Fostering an Inclusive Campus Culture

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 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 choices that can provide purpose and build confidence**



**Diverse programs to explore**



**Build connections & strengthen relationships**



**Programs are designed to be educational, challenging & enlightening**



**FUN!**

# Types of Student Engagement

- 100+ Recognized Student Organizations
  - Student Government
  - Honor Societies
  - Hobbies & Interest Groups
  - Career Focused, and more!
- Fraternity and Sorority Life
- Late Night Programming (Chargers After Dark)
- Civic Engagement
- Residential Life Programming
- University Recreation Wellness Programs
  - Open Recreation (100+ hours per week)
  - GroupX
  - Competitive Sports
  - Student Employment



# Career Development Center

Advising – Preparation – Connection

- **Life & Career Readiness**
- Skill Articulation
- **Application Materials**
- Interview Training
- **Partnerships & Connections**
- Career Fairs & Networking
- **Classroom Presentations**
- Internship Support
- **Job Placement Support**

Located in the  
Bartels Student Activity Center



**Full-Time Staff (7):**

Executive Director  
Career Advisors (3)  
Employer Relations Managers (3)

**Student Staff (10):**

Senior Career Advisors  
Peer Career Advisors  
Operations Assistants



# Employer Relations

- Career Fairs & Networking Sessions
- Strategic Partnerships
- Job & Internship Postings
- Funded Internship Programs
- Alumni Networks
- Employer Meet & Greets
- Corporate Trips
- Direct Hire Opportunities
- Sponsored Programs & Courses
- And more!

# Campus Recruiting

- Helping Hands Nonprofit Internships
- Bergami Summer Intern Program
- Yale New Haven Health Partnership
- U.S. Secret Service Initiative
- National Security Agency Partnership
- BioPath & Life Science Sprints
- General Dynamics Electric Boat Pipeline
- Accounting Internship Program
- FactSet Diversity Talent Program
- And more!

# Handshake

- National system for jobs, internships, and career events
- Thousands of open internships and jobs – around the country
- Make appointments with Career Center
- Upcoming Events – Career Prep and Recruiting
- Employer hosted events and information sessions
- Mobile app for students
- Career Resource Library
- Employers reach out to students for opportunities!
- Modern, engaging, and integrated across campus



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UNewHaven Login



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.



# Internships

## Academic Requirements

Internships may be required but all programs have for-credit options. Minimum work hours, reflection papers or weekly logs, final report or presentation

## Paid or Unpaid?

Depends on employer, industry, and legal requirements. All interns can be paid, regardless of whether they are earning credit.

## Registration & Tuition Policies

Internships for credit require course registration. Summer internships can be added to Fall schedule.

Charges can be incurred if over 17 credits or if taken during summer or intersession.



# 2038

Total Internships for  
2023 – 24 AY

# 61 %

Internships  
were PAID

# Internships

## Help is Available:

- All career fairs and recruiting events include employers seeking internships
- Internship postings in Handshake
- Career Center: prep, connections, postings
- Many faculty assist with connections and listings
- Peer-to-peer networking connections
- University Partnership Programs – Direct Placement

## Students manage their internship search

- Plan and prepare
- Begin networking early
- Attend employer events
- Engage faculty early on
- Work with Career Center
- Build a LinkedIn profile
- Start applying early
- **Ask for help**

# STUDENT HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT

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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.

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# Student Holistic Care Model

## Discomfort

Individualized Care Plan

### **Encourage students to explore the following resources on their own time:**

- Visit the Spirituality & Meditation Center;
- Charger Recreation (GroupX, Competitive Sports, Personal Fitness);
- Download CORQ App or use Charger Connection to see current & upcoming events;
- Stop by their Resident Assistant or Commuter Assistant Resource Hours;
- Connect with the Campus Dietician or the Campus Pantry & Career Closet; and,
- Help students identify their support system (friends, family, classmates, etc.)

## Distress

Peer Support &  
Case Management

### **Refer students to following resources and check-in on their progress:**

- Join a peer-led support groups or connect with Community Wellness Advocates;
- Schedule a meeting with the Dean of Students Office for ongoing support;
- Concerned about Academics? Connect with their faculty advisor, Center for Student Success, or a tutor in the Center for Learning Resources;
- Register with Accessibility Resources Center;
- Financial concerns? Schedule a meeting with the One Stop Office via Navigate,
- Explore available employment on Handshake;

## Despair

Professional Support

### **Assist the student with a warm referral to the appropriate campus resources:**

- Counseling & Psychological Services and/or a referral to Thriving Campus,
- Accessibility Resources Center,
- Health Services,
- Dean of Students Office,
- Provost's Office (Academic grievances and related concerns), and/or,
- University Police, when safety concerns are imminent or emergent.

# Holistic Care Partners



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**Nicholson Health Center**

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**FIRST-YEAR  
STUDENT  
TRANSITION  
PROGRAMS**



## ***DREAM: Defeating Roadblocks in Education through Awareness and Mentoring***

- Accessibility Resources Center
- One Credit Course for students who are registered with ARC
- Application due August 1st
- More information Roadmap and Webpage or email [arc@newhaven.edu](mailto:arc@newhaven.edu)

## ***F.I.R.S.T.: 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 a summer bridge experience in August, and continues with ongoing mentorship, advising, and events throughout the year.
- Application due July 26
- For more information, email [first@newhaven.edu](mailto:first@newhaven.edu)

## ***Men of Color 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 [mcc@newhaven.edu](mailto:mcc@newhaven.edu)

# Campus Dining Experience

## Meal Plan - Charger Pride

- 21 meal swipes at resident dining halls per week
- 2 meal swipes may be used at Food Trucks per week + \$50 Dining Plus Dollars per semester
- 6 Guest passes for friends/family per semester
- \$200 Dining Dollars for retail locations per semester

## Large Array of Dining Options

- 2 resident dining halls
- Allergen-friendly fare
- Vegan & plant-based options
- 11 Retail Dining Locations
- Order-ahead & grab-n-go options
- Feedback opportunities
- Reusable Container Program

*Variety of Meal Plans for commuter & upper-class students to choose from at [newhaven.edu/dining](https://newhaven.edu/dining)*

*Available for Nutrition Counseling!*

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# Before You Leave Today, Things You Should Know!

## First Year Transition Programs

- FIRST Program:
  - Early Arrival Program: August 18 - 20
  - Apply to Participate By: July 26
- DREAM Program:
  - Early Arrival Program: August 19 – 20
  - Apply to Participate By: August 1

## Charge In & Residential Move-In

- Charlie's Fast Pass: August 17
- Residential Move-In: August 21
- Commuter Return to Campus: August 22
- **Charge In Orientation:** **August 22 - 25**
  - All incoming students

## The Welcome Experience

### August 26 – September 9, 2024

- Involvement Fair
- Facebook Live Events for Families
- Residential & Myatt Center Events
- Chargers After Dark – Late Night Events
- Recognized Student Organization Events

## Important Dates

- ARC Accommodations: **Apply NOW!**
- Health Insurance Waiver: July 31
- Student Health Records: August 1
- Family Day: September 21
- Homecoming: October 5

# SOAR DAY TWO REMINDERS

## Morning Family Sessions:

- Understanding Student Healthcare
- Student Academic Support
- Living on Campus
- Commuter Program
- Accessibility Resources
- Campus Safety

## Afternoon Session for All:

- Resource Fair (12 – 2)



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# Questions & Answers

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