

Transition to College & Expectations



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MEET OUR TEAM



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Our Mission is to provide a place where students come to work with staff to identify possible solutions to challenges they face as they navigate campus life.

We provide support without judgement and recognize that every student's experience is unique.



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Ways We Support & Advocate



Connect

Create Connections across
campus

Refer to Campus Partners
for Support



Discuss

Navigate Life Issues
Getting back on Track



Advocate

Reach out to Professors
Navigate University
Processes
Help a student understand
what is possible

Mira is a History major and lives on campus. They are struggling with classes and feel overwhelmed. Also their mother is very sick and can't work anymore. Mira has been picking up more hours at work. They also need to spend more time at home to help out.

What We Do

Torin received a call from home regarding a family emergency. They have a biology lab this afternoon and an exam in art history class.

What We Do

Campus Partners

Whole Student & Belonging

- Student Health & Wellness-Mental Health Services
- Student Health & Wellness-Physical Health Services
- Community Standards
- Student CARE and Concern Team
- Student Activities
- Residential Life
- Cultural Centers
- International Student and Scholars Services

Academic Support

- Academic Achievement Center
- Academic Advising Centers
- Center for Students with Disabilities
- Connect with Faculty and Staff across campus
- Quantitative Learning Center (Q Center)
- The Writing Center (W Center)

Campus Partners

Financial Supports

- Office of Student Financial Aid Services
- Office of the Bursar

Cultural Supports

- Cultural Centers
- Office of Institutional Equity
- Office of Diversity and Inclusion
- International Student and Scholars Services

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Positive Habits



Read each class's syllabus, the professor's expectations and important dates can be found there



Attend EVERY class, even if your professor records them



Sit toward the front of the room, it will make a large classroom feel smaller



Go to Office hours for each class 2-3 times/semester



Benefits: Your instructors can be references, advocates and potentially mentors



Go to classes prepared



Read your textbooks that have been assigned before each lecture

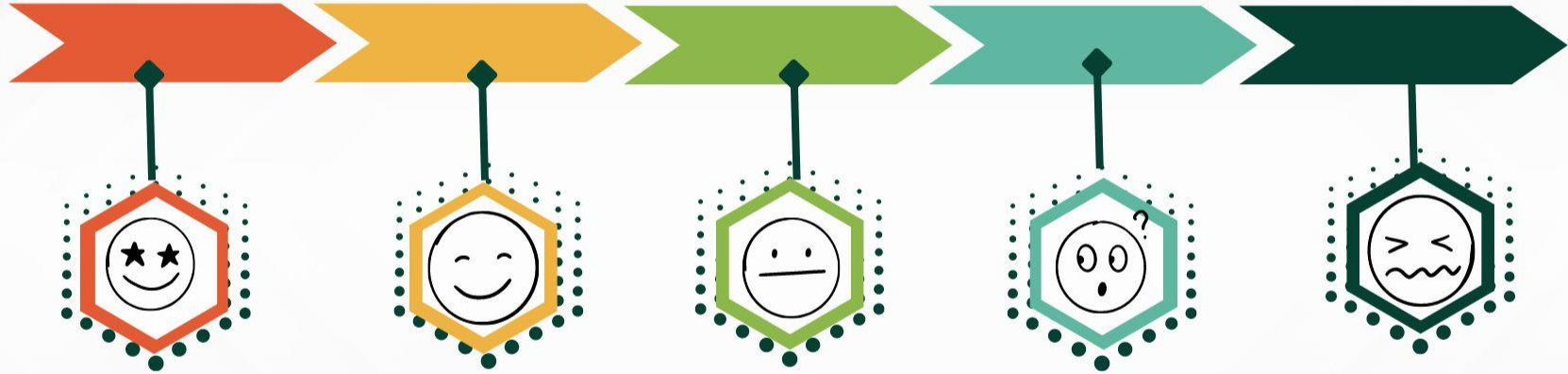


Put **phone away** during class



Use a calendar to **plan your day**

Emotional Timeline-Fall semester



August

August 28th,
fall semester
begins

September

September 11th,
fall schedules
should be
finalized

October

October 6th,
mid-semester
grades are available
October 23rd,
spring registration
begins

November

November 16th,
last day course
adjustments

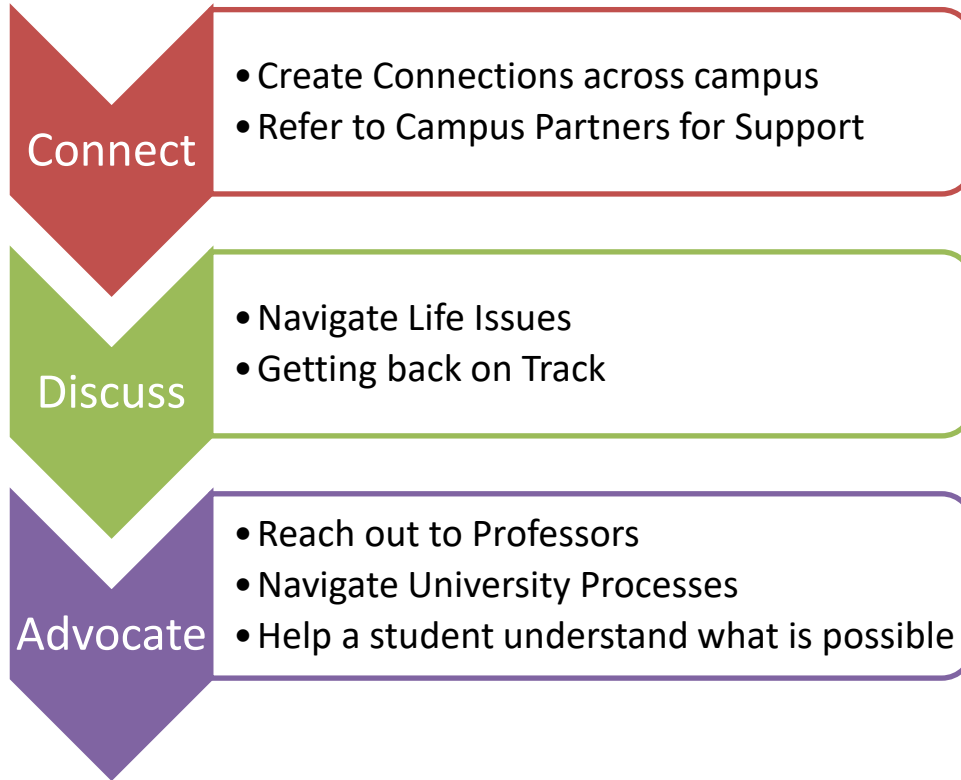
December

December 11th-17th,
final exams

How Can I Support My Student?

- Ask them if they have reached out to the Dean of Students Office
- Encourage your student to get involved on campus by:
 - Joining a club
 - Obtaining a job
 - Trying out for intramural sports
 - Volunteer
- Support your student's overall health & wellness
- Urge your student to access all resources available to them
- Encourage them to take independent action & be their cheerleader on the sideline
- FERPA
- Prior to arriving on campus, make sure to have a conversation about accessing your student's information
- More information available at FERPA.uconn.edu

Ways We Support & Advocate



Limitations

- 
- Cannot make policy decisions for other departments
 - Cannot compel a professor to do something
 - Cannot offer additional financial supports

Ways to Connect

Find Us

- Wilbur Cross, room 203
- Hours: M-F 8:00-5:00pm

Reach Out

- Call: 860-486-3426
- [Email: Dos@uconn.edu](mailto:Dos@uconn.edu)
- Live Chat: from dos.uconn.edu homepage

Meet

- Drop-Ins
- Schedule an appointment w/an Assistant Dean
- Virtual or In-Person Options

Important Dates



Questions



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