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HONORS PROGRAM

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2026

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026

TODAY'S SESSION

1. ***Overview of Honors Program and Admissions***
   - Dr. Jennifer Lease Butts, Associate Vice Provost for Enrichment Programs and Director of the Honors Program

2. ***Student speakers***
   - Ryan Krishna
   - Neeka Oghli
   - Mackenzie Robillard
   - Shazia Alladin



HONORS PROGRAM: MAKE AN OUTSTANDING UCONN EDUCATION EVEN BETTER!



- Research and creative opportunities within a research-intensive university
- Diverse student population with a variety of majors in all schools and colleges

- Approximately **2600** total Honors students across all campuses
- About 10% of undergraduates
- 436 students graduated as Honors Scholars in 2026

UCONN HONORS EDUCATION



A Community of Scholars



MEET AN HONORS STUDENT!

Majors: English and Individualized: Neuroscience of Language

- Honors Scholar & University Honors Laureate
- University Scholar
- Undergraduate Research

Hometown: Winchester, MA
Fun Fact: This past summer Ryan studied Portuguese in Rio de Janeiro!

RYAN KRISHNA

Class of 2027



MEET AN HONORS STUDENT!

Majors: Physiology & Neurobiology and Individualized: Interdisciplinary Reproductive Health Studies

- Honors Scholar & University Honors Laureate
- Holster Scholar
- Summer Undergraduate Research Fund (SURF) Recipient
- Honors in STEM

Hometown: Syosset, NY
Fun Fact: Neeka is a spinning instructor at the UConn Recreation Center!

NEEKA OGHLI

Class of 2028



MEET AN HONORS STUDENT!

Majors: Molecular & Cell Biology
Minors: Agriculture & Health Biotechnology

- Honors Scholar & University Honors Laureate
- University Scholar
- Holster Scolar
- Goldwater Scholarship Recipient
- Undergraduate Research

Hometown: Goshen, CT
Fun Fact: Mackenzie is marching in this year's Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade with the UConn Marching Band.

MACKENZIE ROBILLARD

Class of 2027

MEET AN HONORS STUDENT!



Majors: Mechanical Engineering

- Honors Scholar & University Honors Laureate
- UConn First-Year Seminar Facilitator
- UConn Marching Band
- Undergraduate Research

Hometown: Storrs, CT
Fun Fact: Shazia loves musical theatre!

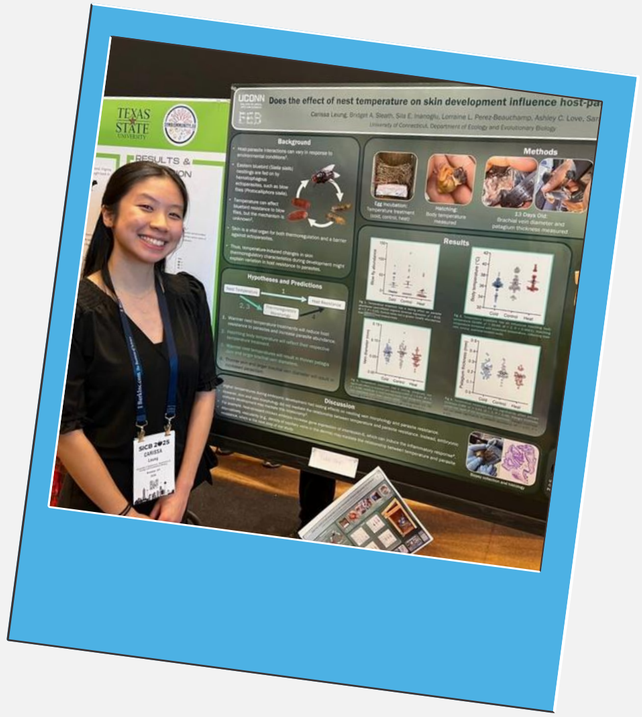
SHAZIA ALLADIN

Class of 2028

GRADUATION – HONORS MEDALS CEREMONY



HONORS PROGRAM ADMISSIONS



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TRANSFER HONORS ADMISSIONS

LINKS:

[UConn Application and Timeline]

[Honors Program Application]



Criteria for Review

- Academic achievement and engagement at previous institution (at least 3.40 GPA)
- Interest to enrich undergraduate experience through curriculum, community, and research/creative activities, including completion of an Honors thesis/project
- Approved Honors plan of study in major (for junior entry)

*Must be Admitted to UConn for consideration for Honors Program

*Must enter Honors by **junior year** for Honors Graduation

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FIRST-YEAR HONORS ADMISSIONS

All UConn first-year applications for Storrs, Hartford, Stamford, and Waterbury are automatically considered for admission to the Honors Program.

Other gateways into Honors: After 1st & 2nd years at *any* UConn campus



Image: First Year Honors Students Assembly

Honors Admission is considered with Early Decision and Regular Admissions.

- Based on holistic review include rigor of high school curriculum, GPA, class rank (if school ranks), co-curricular activities, SAT/ACT (optional), essays, letters of recommendation (optional)

- Offered at time of admission to UConn

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FIRST-YEAR ADMISSIONS TIMELINE

Honors Admission through both processes.

Honors Appeals via applicant portal.

Early Decision

- *Student chooses to apply Early Decision*
- *Application Deadline: November 1, 2026*
- Admission decision notification: begin mid-December

Regular Admissions

- *Apply to UConn by December 1, 2026* for priority consideration for merit scholarships & invitation to Honors Program
- Admission decision notification begins in early March

UConn First-Year Dates & Deadlines

MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS THROUGH ADMISSIONS

- Scholarships for first-year students are awarded through Undergraduate Admissions.
- Automatic consideration for merit scholarships (except Nutmeg, Day of Pride, & Stamps Scholarships); notification with offer letter.





*Nutmeg, Day of Pride, & Stamps Scholarship applicants must apply to UConn by November 1; supplemental application due by November 8; notification by early February.

Merit Scholarships Information

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SPECIAL PROGRAMS

- To be considered for the Special Programs in Law, Dental Medicine, & Medicine, students must submit UConn applications by November 1.
- Supplemental Special Program application are due by November 8.
- Special Program applicants may apply to UConn as Early Decision or Regular Decision.
- Special Program notification early March regardless of whether applying as Early Decision or Regular Decision.



Image: Pre-Med Honors Student at UConn

Special Programs Application Information

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- The Honors Experience
- Honors Fast Facts

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