

UConn Senate Enrollment Committee

November 20, 2025, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. | MS Teams

Agenda:

1. Approval of Minutes: minutes approved unanimously by voice vote.
 - [Minutes of October 16, 2025 Meeting](#)
2. Enrollment Update/Early Decision Update (Student Life & Enrollment Team): Vern Granger gave an application update for the Fall 2026 cycle sharing that they are about halfway to goal with more than 30,000 applications received for first-year fall entry to UConn, all campuses. He added a few highlights:
 - Overall, we are up in applications, including up in international applications as well as out of state.
 - Down on in-state applications due to several reasons; this year it is projected to have 12,000 less high school graduates in CT due to changing demographics, which is one important reason.
 - Early Decision application deadline was 11/1 with a similar number of applicants as last year (appx 1500 applications). Vern added that UConn does not currently send financial aid packages with acceptances from this program, which has an impact on the number of applicants, but they are looking to make a change to this in the future. Decisions will be issued on Friday, December 12th at 5 p.m. Students who are accepted in their first-choice major and campus will be required to give a binding confirmation by January 15th. Those who are admitted but do not receive an offer either into their first-choice major or campus will be required to give a non-binding confirmation by May 1st. A student may also be deferred to regular decision.
 - December 1st is the priority application deadline for Honors or Merit Scholarship application. Students may apply for these later, but priority is given to those who apply by December 1st.

Discussion ensued and committee members asked questions about application numbers, quality of applicants and demographic trends.

3. Update/Challenges with Spring Registration (classes.uconn.edu/SA/permission numbers) - Carl Rivers: Carl Rivers gave an update on Spring Registration challenges as this was our first full term using the classes.uconn.edu website where students had the ability to directly enroll from there (rather than going through PeopleSoft). Carl Rivers shared that the system is fairly intuitive and the process went relatively smoothly, highlighting some issues that will be worked out between UConn and the vendor. He added that one of the largest

complaints that has been received is that courses were not shown for registration when they were supposed to be. It turned out that some departments had set up courses but had not yet set them in “active” status to be open to registration, which is an issue that should not go beyond this initial rollout while everyone adjusts to the new system. Sharing positive feedback, communication/clarity has improved and overall, we are ahead of year-on-year registration numbers for undergraduate. Permission numbers changed so that they are assigned directly to a student as needed, which removes the need for students to remember/enter permission numbers when trying to enroll. Introduced a new product (enrollment change forms), which is a workflow that students can initiate and now processes automatically in PeopleSoft, whereas previously this process involved manual work from both OneStop and the Registrar’s Office. Carl Rivers added that they are working with the vendor to collect data to make continuous improvements.

The floor was opened to questions and discussion ensued. Student members spoke to their own experiences with the new system, sharing that they are still confused in many ways by this new system highlighting some accessibility concerns and a preference for the visual schedule that was produced by the older system.

4. Committee Meeting December 18th – the committee discussed the potential of rebooking the December meeting to December 11th. We will await the availability of our guest speaker to join if the meeting is rebooked to the 11th and make a decision from there.

Members & Attendance:

- ***Jamie Caruso, Co-Chair, Academic Affairs (Waterbury Campus)**
- ***Michael Finiguerra, Co-Chair, CLAS (Avery Point) (absent)**
- *Thomas Bontly, CLAS
- *Miranda Davis, CLAS (absent)
- *Douglas Kaufman, Neag School of Education (absent)
- *Mike Ormsby, One Stop Student Services (absent)
- *Alison Paul, SFA (on sabbatical during Fall 2025)
- *Carl Rivers, Registrar’s Office
- *Haritha Subramanian, Undergraduate Student
- *Xiaojing Wang, CLAS
- Nathan Fuerst, Student Life & Enrollment (Ex-Officio) (absent)
- Vern Granger, Office of Admissions
- Nina Lemash, Undergraduate Student (absent)
- Mona Lucas, Student Life & Enrollment
- Jennifer Morenus, Puerto Rican Cultural Center
- Mansour Ndiaye, CLAS Academic Services

*Senators during 2025-2026 Academic Year

Potential Upcoming Topics:

- Honors at Regional Campuses
- Class sizes/classroom management (as enrollment increases)
- Academic Programs under review/possible expansion
- FYE Update presented by David Ouimette & Leo Lachut (12/18)