

Office of Student Financial Aid Services

September 2021 Podcast

First Year Students

- Welcome Class of 2025!
- Thank you for taking the time to listen to our FIRST, yes I said FIRST, financial aid Podcast.
- My name is Hernan Cortez and I'm a financial aid officer here at Storrs.
- We are excited that you are here, and we are looking forward on assisting you with any financial aid questions you may have. In a few minutes, I am going to provide you our contact information so please get a pen and paper ready.
- We realize that financial aid can be overwhelming. However, we are here for you!
- Now let me share some things you need to remember about your financial aid:
 - All aid is usually split into two semesters: (Fall 2021 and Spring 2022).
 - You still have time to utilize your Federal Subsidized and Unsubsidized Student Loans. If you are, you need to complete two important processes: your Entrance Counseling and Master Promissory Note via the studentaid.gov website.
 - If your parents are going to use the Federal Parent Plus Loan, they also can access the same site, studentaid.gov, and apply for the Plus loan and complete a Master Promissory Note. This needs to be completed every year.
 - If you are looking to work on campus and are a Federal Work-Study recipient, you must secure a job by September 17. You can find jobs by visiting: studentjobs.uconn.edu. Then select the Job X UConn Student link on the right-hand side of the page and follow the instructions.
 - If you are not a Federal Work-Study recipient, you can still find a job via studentjobs.uconn.edu. Just look for a "student labor" position.
 - If you overpaid on your fee bill, a refund will be issued to you by the Office of the Bursar. You can contact them via their website: bursar.uconn.edu or call them at 860-486-4830.
- Now I am going to give you our contact information, so I hope you have something to write with, are you ready?
 - You can call us at 860-486-2819. That is 860-486-2819
 - You can also visit us at the Wilbur Cross building on the first floor. Yes, that's the building with the golden top.
 - Our business hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM
 - You can also email us at financialaid@uconn.edu. That is financialaid@uconn.edu any time. Please use your UConn email and include your UConn Peoplesoft seven digit ID.
 - And you can also visit our financial aid website: financialaid.uconn.edu
- Again, we want to hear from you so don't hesitate to contact us by calling, visiting, or emailing our office.
- Enjoy your Fall semester and see you soon.