

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING NEW GRADUATE STUDENT ORIENTATION

**Wilbur Cross
North Reading Room**

**Thursday
August 24, 2023
9:30am-12pm**

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Agenda

9:00am - 9:30am	Check In
9:30am - 9:35am	Welcome
9:35am - 9:55am	Student Resources
10:00am - 10:10am	Student Health and Wellness
10:10am - 11:10am	Navigating Grad School
11:10am - 11:40am	Graduate Student Union Presentation
11:40am - 12:10pm	Lunch with Department Representatives

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WHERE TO GO IF I NEED HELP WITH

Technical Services

Including:

UConn email support, netid, file storage, computer hardware or software issue

Go to: SOE ETS Help Desk

Contact: soehelp@uconn.edu

Website: ets.engr.uconn.edu

Visa

Including:

How to apply for a visa, required documents

Go to: ISSS

Contact: international@uconn.edu

Website: isss.uconn.edu

Medical

Including: Medical insurance, illness, immunizations, international student support

**Go to: Student Health and Wellness
ISSS**

**Contact: StudentHealth@uconn.edu
international@uconn.edu**

**Website: studenthealth.uconn.edu
iss.uconn.edu**

Housing

Including: room information, housing contracts, off campus housing

Go to: Residential Life

Contact: livingoncampus@uconn.edu

Website: reslife.uconn.edu

Mental Health

Including: resources, crisis support, therapy

Go to: Student Health and Wellness

Contact: studenthealth@uconn.edu

Website: studenthealth.uconn.edu

Professional Education Classes

Including: how to find an internship, communicating effectively, first year experience

Go to: Engineering Graduate Programs

Contact: aida@uconn.edu

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Discrimination, Harassment and Related Interpersonal Violence

Including: Sexual and Gender-Based Harassment, Sexual Assault, Sexual Exploitation, and more

Go to: Office of Institutional Equity

Contact: (860) 486-2943 & (860) 679-3563

Website: equity.uconn.edu/title-ix/

UConnALERT System

Including: winter weather, emergency alerts, sign up for notifications

Go to: Office of Emergency Management

Contact: oem@uconn.edu

Website: universitysafety.uconn.edu

WHERE TO GO IF I NEED HELP WITH

Student Organization Contacts

Including: leadership, professional development, community support

Go to: Engineering Graduate Programs

Contact: aida@uconn.edu

Website: grad.engr.uconn.edu

Career Services

Including: exploring careers, interview prep, mentorship, networking

Go to: Center for Career Development

Contact:

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Website: career.uconn.edu

Payroll

Including: GA appointments, payroll deductions, benefits

Go to: GA Onboarding

Contact: gena.twarz@uconn.edu

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Class Registration

Including: add/drop a class, holds, class scheduling

Go to: Office of the Registrar

Contact: registrar@uconn.edu

Website: registrar.uconn.edu

Transportation

Including: Bus routes, off campus housing transport, regional transit

Go to: transportation Services

Contact: transportation@uconn.edu

Website: transpo.uconn.edu

Stay on Track

Annual Reviews

Complete the Annual Reviews with your advisor.

Scan the QR code to access the Annual Review:



Individual development Plans

Complete the Individual Development plans with your Advisor.

Scan the QR code to access myIDP:



Stay on Track

Program Checklists

****Please scan the QR codes to access your departmental Roadmaps***

**Biomedical
Engineering**



**Chemical and Biomolecular
Engineering**



Civil Engineering



**Computer Science and
Engineering**



Stay on Track

Checklists

****Please scan the QR codes to access your departmental Roadmaps***

**Electrical and Computer
and Engineering**



Environmental Engineering



**Material Science and
Engineering**



Mechanical Engineering



ARE YOU A NEW ENGINEERING GRADUATE STUDENT?
THIS IS THE COURSE FOR YOU!

REGISTER FOR ENGR 5300

SPECIAL TOPICS: FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE

COURSE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Tools to become a successful graduate student
- Keys to graduate on time
- Build your network now
- Who are your advocates
- Find Mentors

SCAN THE QR CODE TO
ENROLL ON STUDENT ADMIN



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QUESTIONS? EMAIL:
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FALL 2023 SEMESTER
CREDIT: 1.0
PREREQUISITES: NONE
LOCATION: MCHU 205
FORMAT: IN-PERSON
TIME: WED 2:30-3:30PM

**ENGINEERING STUDENTS, LOOKING FOR A
JOB OR AN INTERNSHIP IN YOUR INDUSTRY?**

PREPARE FOR THE OPPORTUNITY!

**REGISTER FOR ENGR 5420:
INTERNSHIPS & CAREERS IN INDUSTRY
SEMINAR COURSE
FOR THE FALL 2023 SEMESTER**

Course Highlights:

- Learn how to brand yourself and your skills to make your portfolio stand out
- Get expert help in developing your Resume and Cover Letter
- Learn how to navigate through LinkedIn and other job sites
- International students: learn about work permits
- Learn how to prepare for an interview

**Credit: 1.0 | Prerequisite: None | Location: E2-323
Format: In-person | Time: Wednesdays 3:30 - 4:30PM**

Register [here!](#) Or scan the QR code

Questions?

Email: nusaybah.quasem@uconn.edu



REGISTER FOR ENGR 5410-001:
SCIENTIFIC COMMUNICATION
FOR THE FALL 2023 SEMESTER

**LEARN
HOW TO BE
A STRONG
COMMUNICATOR!**

**CREDIT: 1.0 | PREREQUISITE: NONE | LOCATION: CAST 204
FORMAT: IN-PERSON | TIME: WEDNESDAYS 12:00-1:00PM**

COURSE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Developing skills to present your scientific data to the research community and to the general public
- Mastering the art of public speaking
- Developing dissertation briefs
- Learning and receiving feedback from the experts in the communication field
- Learning about the 3MT Challenge
- Creating templates for presentations, talks, and more!

REGISTER [HERE!](#)
OR SCAN THE QR CODE



QUESTIONS?
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Bringing together engineering, venture capital, and policymaking to solve real-world dilemmas faced by the military and defense contractors across the nation security space.



Email Alex Grey (alexander.grey@uconn.edu) for more

Orientation Worksheet

**Please see your advisor to complete this worksheet*

Student Name: _____

Department/program: _____

Major Advisor: _____

Professional Goals for my First Year:

Classes I should take in my First Year:

My Qualifying exam will be (approximate date/format):

Three years from today (August 2026), I plan to have completed the following milestones:

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