

MCB Graduate Community

Where we live!

- West Hartford
- Tolland
- Glastonbury
- Vernon
- Manchester
- Willimantic
- Storrs Center
- Coventry
- Willington
- Putnam
- Ellington
- Marlborough
- Andover
- Rockville
- South Windsor

Our favorite things to do and places to go on the weekend!

- Bushnell Park –Ice Skating and Musicals
- Boston
- Hiking Trails - Nipmuck, Appalachian, Mettabasset, etc.
- Hanging out with Friends
- Beaches
- Coventry Farmer’s Market
- Climbing at Central Rock Gym
- West Hartford
- UConn Basketball Games
- Racquetball
- Exploring Breweries/Wineries
- Board Games
- New York City
- Running on the rail trail
- Biking
- Vermont
- UConn Rec Center
- Jorgenson Center of Arts events
- Work out
- Play pool
- Bowling / Laser tag
- Intramural sports
- Providence
- Cross country ski
- Kayak

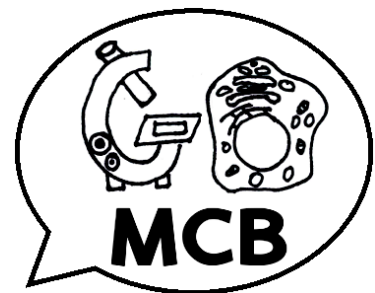
Our favorite local restaurants!

- Red Rock
- Willington Pizza
- Willi Brew
- UConn Dairy Bar
- Lizzie’s Curbside Food Truck
- Hops44
- Gansett Wraps
- Rein’s Deli
- Chuck’s Steak House
- Bidwell Tavern
- Pub32
- Wings Over Storrs
- Wing Express
- Dog Lane Cafe

Want to know more? Check out GO:MCB – an organization focused solely on the graduate students in our department!

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The campus:

We have a beautiful campus, a vibrant population of undergraduate and graduate students, and plenty of opportunities for fun outside of the lab. The UConn campus has been ranked repeatedly among the top green campuses in the US for our focus on recycling and sustainability. UConn's athletic teams are outstanding, especially the Men's and Women's Basketball teams – men holding 4 NCAA championships and the women winning a record 11 NCAA championships!. Everyone should experience a basketball game at Gampel Pavilion at least once. We also have entertaining Ice Hockey, Soccer, and Field Hockey teams. Admittedly, our Football program needs improvement! In addition, our Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts attracts quality performers and speakers, including Hillary Clinton, Professor Richard Dawkins, Ladysmith Black Mambazo and comedian Billy Gardell. The UConn Forest is a protected area that borders the campus with enjoyable hiking and fishing trails near the Fenton River. Whether it is a picnic in the spring, horseback riding in the fall, or pond hockey in the winter, our campus provides a terrific environment for fun and entertainment that we encourage you to explore!

The Town:

Storrs is a great place to live and work. Crime rates are low and education levels are high. While some students walk or bike to work, many drive. Some of our grad students live directly in Storrs/Mansfield, and take advantage of the newly built Storrs Center, with restaurants, shops, and a grocery store. Many students also reside in the nearby (and often more affordable) towns of Coventry, Willington, Vernon, Manchester, and Willimantic. Overall, Storrs provides a rich atmosphere for academics, but we also actively engage with many of our state's other top institutions: the UConn Health Center, the Jackson Laboratory for Genomic Medicine, Yale University, Wesleyan University, Quinnipiac University, Fairfield University, Connecticut College, Trinity College, and many others.

The State:

Storrs is a quiet community, but for those who like more action, Connecticut still has plenty to offer. A variety of concerts/events/shows are held at the downtown Hartford XL Center, Bushnell Performing Arts Center, Infinity Music Hall and Bistro, Connecticut Convention Center, or Connecticut Science Center. Southeastern Connecticut is home to the Foxwoods and Mohegan Sun casinos. In addition to their gambling and dining options, these resorts hold many popular concerts/events/shows.

For sports entertainment enthusiasts, Bristol CT is home to ESPN Headquarters. We also have the Hartford Wolfpack minor league hockey team, the Connecticut Sun WNBA team, and several minor league baseball teams. For professional sports, the residents of our state have split loyalties to the teams in Boston and New York, making it a very competitive region!

For food and drink enthusiasts, we have terrific restaurants and bars in Hartford, West Hartford, Glastonbury, and New Haven. For adult beverage enthusiasts, we have the Connecticut Wine trail, Beer trail, and a number of breweries and distilleries, including a renowned microbrewery in Willimantic.

For outdoors enthusiasts, Connecticut features many State Forests with hiking trails, several small ski resorts, plenty of recreational parks, and pristine rivers for kayaking and canoeing. No matter where you live in Connecticut, you will be less than an hour drive to the shoreline and the beaches of Connecticut and/or Rhode Island.

In fact, Storrs is conveniently located within driving distance to many important northeastern cities: Hartford, CT - 30m; New Haven, CT - 1h ; Worcester, MA - 1h ; Springfield, MA - 1h ; Providence, RI - 1h 10m ; Boston, MA - 1h 30m ; New York, NY - 2h 30m ; Philadelphia, PA - 4h. The train system can also be easily accessed in Hartford, New Haven, or Providence. For long-distance travel, we use airports in Hartford (BDL), Providence (PVD), and New York (JFK).

If you join our department we encourage you to take advantage of these local attractions!