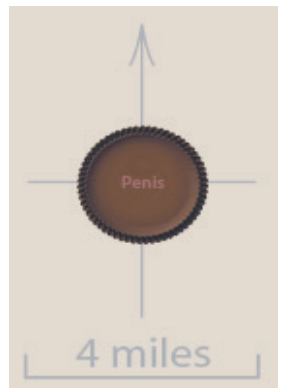


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Refunds, Housing and Essential Employees KATSOLEAS HOLDS VIRTUAL CORONAVIRUS TOWN HALL



University of Connecticut President Thomas Katsouleas addresses how the university will respond to COVID-19 regarding housing, reimbursements and essential employees. PHOTO COURTESY OF UCONN

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University of Connecticut President Thomas Katsouleas held an online town hall Thursday afternoon to answer questions from the community surrounding COVID-19 and the university's response to it.

"We know there is a lot of uncertainty and worry, and a desire to know what's going on," Katsouleas said. "We have a philosophy to be open and transparent with any information we have." The town hall was held from 12 to 1 p.m., and a recording was uploaded after 5 p.m. Thursday afternoon. The university announced late Wednesday night that in-person

classes at the Storrs campus, regional campuses and School of Law will move to online from March 23 to April 6 at minimum. "The campus is still open. Classes and research will still go on," Katsouleas said. "The strategy is just to reduce the amount of people to reduce the likelihood of transmission." Katsouleas said extending the semester is not an option,

but graduation will depend on when students return to campus. As students are highly encouraged to stay home after spring break, many are left wondering if they will be reimbursed for housing, meal plans and other fees for the weeks they will not be on campus. **See TOWN HALL, p. 2**

UCONN COVID-19 UPDATE

All quotes are from UConn and Thomas Katsouleas' March 12 mass email.

STAMFORD CLOSED

"UConn Stamford is closed effective tomorrow, Friday, March 12. This decision is made in light of the spread of COVID-19 cases in the region, including one in the city of Stamford, as well as its proximity to New York State, where there are a growing number of coronavirus cases. Accommodations will be made for students who must remain at UConn residential housing in Stamford."

ABROAD STUDENTS

"UConn today notified its approximately 215 students still participating in Education Abroad that those programs are being canceled in response to escalating concerns over the spread of the virus. Information was provided in a letter to the students about travel issues, the potential for partial airfare reimbursement, and other details."

LIBRARY SERVICES

All UConn libraries will be closed from March 13 to April 6. Materials will be available online, including select chapters of course material. Events are cancelled until April 6 at the minimum. More information is available at online.

JORGENSEN CANCELS EVENTS

"The Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts is canceling five events and postponing two others starting March 14 through April 6 in compliance with crowd size restrictions. "If you paid with a credit card, a refund will be issued to the credit card that was used to complete the purchase. If we are unable to refund that credit card, you will receive a refund check from the University. "If you paid via cash or check, you will receive a refund check from the University. "If you paid with a gift certificate, a replacement gift certificate will be issued. "All refund checks and gift certificates will be mailed to the address we have on file."

BALLARD

"The Ballard Institute and Museum of Puppetry will be closed and all performances, forums, space rentals, workshops, and tours will be canceled from March 14 through April 6. The institute announced today that refund checks and gift certificates will be automatically mailed to the address they have on file for each ticketholder."

SPORTS CANCELED

The American Athletic Conference announced Thursday that all competition was suspended indefinitely. UConn followed suit by suspending athletics as well. The NCAA announced they were canceling all winter and spring sports championships, including March Madness. Flip to page 12 for more information.

The Daily Campus will continue producing content **online** during this period.

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USG plans mental health training

"WE ARE ALL RESOURCES FOR EACH OTHER"

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The University of Connecticut's Undergraduate Student Government is hosting a Mental Health First Aid training course aimed to help UConn students be more comfortable discussing mental health, according to Rebecca Feldman, USG mental health and wellness subcommittee co-chair and sixth-semester civil engineering major. The eight-hour course aims to teach students about mental health, substance abuse, key phrases and resources for themselves and others, Feldman said. The main goal is to help build confidence and start conversation. "The momentum that mental health has right now I think is motivating for people to seek out these trainings and help themselves and feel a need to help the community and this is a good first step," Feldman said. The next in-person training is scheduled for Saturday, April 26 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., the location to be announced. There was going to be an in-person session Saturday, March 28. The class is trying to be made virtual with Zoom, a video conference site, but is not yet confirmed. The March class was already at maximum capacity with 30 students enrolled. The classes will be small to create a comfortable setting, Feldman said. "I was recently told that the reason why mental health isn't always addressed in our

classes is because it is a class of 50, 100, 300 people and it is really hard to have a comfortable conversation about something that is uncomfortable and that is so stigmatized," Feldman said. "In these big spaces, I don't think it allows the proper time for each person to get one-on-one that they may need in that time." Feldman said the training can help students start good conversation and build a stronger peer community. "We are all resources for each other," Feldman said. Mental Health First Aid is a specific course that "gives people the skills to help someone who is developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis," according to the Mental Health First Aid website. The National Council for Behavioral Health and the Missouri Department of Mental Health runs Mental Health First Aid USA. During the course, a Mental Health First Aid instructor will discuss action plans to support individuals in crisis, self-help strategies and more, according to the Mental Health First Aid website. At the end of the course, students will receive an online certificate, Feldman said. Kasey Macedo, a sixth-semester psychological sciences and human development and family sciences major, said she attended a previous Mental Health First Aid training course and found it quite helpful. **See USG, p. 2**

Students respond to Buckley dining hall operation hours



Students who live around Buckley Dining Hall are protesting to get the university to allow the dining hall to stay open on the weekends. PHOTO BY ERIN KNAPP, GRAB PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

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Students are divided over the reasoning Dining Services provided for Buckley Dining Hall being closure on weekends. Some students, like Tiana Rojas, a second-semester nursing major, feel they will continue to support Buckley opening on weekends despite the information presented by Dining Services. "The article gave me more insight as to the reasons for Buckley being closed but did not deter my opinions on the reasons it should remain open," Rojas said.

Her reasoning isn't founded in her dislike of walking to other dining halls like dining services claimed but moreso in the fact that the other closest dining halls often have limited menus or are much more densely populated, Rojas said. Additionally, Rojas found Buckley's closure on weekends to be confusing as a new student. "While living in Buckley, I was confused at first as to why the dining hall in my building was the only one that closed during the weekends while others stayed open," Rojas said. **See BUCKLEY, p. 2**

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“We are sympathetic to that request,” Katsouleas said. “We are looking for possible sources for refunding students, including help from the state, and if that falls short, we will be bringing it to the board of trustees to see what other resources we might have. But the likelihood is, if not all, at least partial reimbursement would be our goal.”

International students and other students who cannot travel home will have residence hall access during spring break, as well as for the two weeks after. Dining Services will also be operating one dining hall on campus during that time.

“If you need to stay longer [than spring break], we want you to respond to Residential Life and let us know what your needs are, and we will accommodate,” Dean of Students Eleanor Daugherty said. “We will scale down to one dining hall being opened on campus, as well as grab and go and potentially in the Student Union. We will continue to hold the highest standards [for food preparation].”

Katsouleas urged students to ensure they are able to do schoolwork at home but should pack as if they will return.

“Students should take what they need for the next several weeks with the expectation

they will have the opportunity to come back to their dorm,” Katsouleas said.

For students in labs and other activities are unable to move to an online platform, John Elliot, UConn Provost, said in the town hall that those cases will be handled within their departments and areas, and will largely depend on what has already occurred this semester.

The university is looking into putting together a program to loan equipment to students for their online classes, and students are reminded by university officials that public libraries have equipment and connectivity.

UConn Bound Day, a day when admitted undergraduate students can come and see campus and meet with current students, is currently scheduled for April 4. According to Daugherty, it is in the process of possibly being moved to online.

Other events scheduled after April 6 are still expected to take place unless otherwise noted by the university.

“[These restrictions are] until April 6, and the idea is there will be an update before then,” Katsouleas said. “It is hard to predict the rate in which things are changing.”

Daugherty said all essential employees are to report to work as usual, and that includes those working in Student Health and Wellness — Mental Health.

“The counseling team is part of our medical team which is essential,” Daugherty said. “Their services are not restricted at this time.”

Parking services will continue to operate normally, including ticketing.

“Ticketing will continue as normal,” Katsouleas said. “If you do get a ticket, take consolation that every dollar from tickets goes to scholarships.”

Facility operation employees will continue to clean as normal according to university officials. They are currently in their flu protocol for cleaning, and that will continue during this time.

Andrew Agwunobi, CEO of UConn Health, said UConn Health is still operating as normal, and no patients have tested positive for the coronavirus.

“For now, we are continuing all services for all patients. We are there for the community,” Agwunobi said. “We have had five suspected cases that have tested negative, and we continue to test, but we have had no positive cases, and that is also true for the Storrs campus.”

Daugherty and Katsouleas ensured that the Dairy Bar will still be open as well during this time, as long as they still have healthy employees and conditions.

“We did say essential services,” Katsouleas said. “And this is pretty essential.”

“We are looking for possible sources for refunding students, including help from the state, and if that falls short, we will be bringing it to the board of trustees to see what other resources we might have.”

PRESIDENT THOMAS KATSOULEAS

Buckley dining hall to keep hours

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Conversely, other students like Bazzle Coleman, a second-semester computer science and psychology major, feel Buckley’s closing on weekends makes sense. In particular, Coleman agrees with the decision from a staffing perspective.

“It makes sense because they’re already understaffed,” Coleman said. “It’s mildly annoying for breakfast, but I usually don’t eat other meals at Buckley anyways.”

Coleman said he understands why the students — especially those living in Buckley and Shippee — would want Buckley to be open seven days a week, but he also understands why that may not be feasible.

“I understand why people want Buckley open on weekends, but it makes sense why it’s not,” Coleman said. “In an ideal world, it would be, but that is not the world we live in.”

Jessi Cooper, a second-semester pre-teaching major and Buckley Dining Hall student worker, understands the frustration but feels that Dining Services’ choice makes sense.

“It makes sense because they’re already understaffed. It’s mildly annoying for breakfast, but I usually don’t eat other meals at Buckley anyways.”

BAZZLE COLEMAN

“I thought it was inconvenient, but I understood the dining hall simply doesn’t have the staffing or budget to remain open for such a small demand over the weekend,” Cooper said. “Everyone roasts Buckley anyway, so what’s the likelihood they’d really go on weekends?”

Cooper feels that Dining Services is more likely to reconsider their decision regarding Buckley’s hours if the numbers were to back it up. Until that point though, Cooper agrees that Dining services cannot financially support the extra hours.

“We have full-time and student employees, totaling up to dozens of people on the payroll, plus we’re already understaffed with poor sales. It’s just not feasible to extend hours,” Cooper said. “Maybe if people start increasing our sales on weekdays, we’d see enough demand to justify it, but until then, just walk to South.”

USG training to continue

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“The training consisted of informative presentations and small and large group activities that prompted the application of training skills for people in mental health crises,” Macedo said.

Feldman said the training is for anyone and everyone.

“This is for anyone,” Feldman said. “If you want to

learn, if you want to advocate for your peers, if you just want to know what everyone is talking about on-campus, it’s for you. You can come in with zero knowledge and build a base to go off of. If you have a lot of knowledge, refresh and learn something new as well. I would really suggest it. If you are open-minded, go for it.”

Feel Good Friday STUDENTS LOOK TO START CONSIGNMENT STORE ON CAMPUS

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Students at the University of Connecticut are looking to start their own thrift store on campus. UConnSign is a new project that aims to bring thrifting to Storrs, either in the form of pop-up shops or a permanent thrift store.

Caitlin Daddona, a fourth-semester environmental studies major, is one of the leaders of the project. She said the project began in one of her classes.

“The idea started out of my sociology class,” Daddona said. From there, a team grew around the project.

“We have a group of 10 that’s been meeting since early February,” Daddona said.

Daddona said she wanted to address the feeling of hopelessness a lot of students experience in the face of climate change.

“I’m an EcoHusky, so I was having these conversations about sustainability on campus,” Daddona said. “Really, it’s just the frustration that a lot of students feel where you hear about all these issues going on, and you’re like, ‘what do we do with it.’ So we’re just trying to make something that’s logistically feasible, that’s suited to people on a college campus.”

Daddona explained that she specifically was interested in this project because of her passion for thrifting.

“I’ve always loved thrifting.

I’ve bounced around majors a lot before I got to environmental studies, so I understand that this is something that works for people who aren’t solely environmentally focused,” Daddona said.

The project is still in the early stages right now, Daddona said, but she’s hopeful about the future.

“We’re in the planning process. We’re trying to build student interest right now,” Daddona said.

Daddona said that nearly 200 students have responded to the student interest survey about the thrift store.

An on-campus thrift store would increase the amount of clothing options around the university, Daddona explained.

“There’s so many benefits. Any student can attest to the fact there are limited clothing options around here,” Daddona said.

Daddona said another reason for a thrift store is its positive impact on the environment.

“In terms of sustainability, we talked about this as protecting the earth. Clothing is a huge source of not only pollution, but also water waste. A lot of water is used to produce clothing and textiles,” Daddona said.

Daddona said that she and the rest of the students on the project are looking forward to where this project goes next.

“We want this to be something that unites all students,” Daddona said. “We want it to be a fun empowering thing for students who like clothing.”



UConn’s Project Fashion club puts on a pop up shop in the Student Union Ballroom on Wednesday, March 4. PHOTO BY MAGGIE CHAFOULEAS, ASSOCIATE PHOTO EDITOR/THE DAILY CAMPUS

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Research Spotlight: STEM librarians



Homer Babbidge Library and the UConn seal. UConn's STEM librarians, Jennifer Chaput and Renee Walsh, work to help students through reams of content daily. PHOTO BY HENRY KULP, GRAB PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

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Jennifer Chaput and Renee Walsh are the University of Connecticut's STEM and Data Management Librarians, a unique role which promotes research for students.

Walsh explained the role of STEM librarian exists to help students filter through all the library's research-related resources.

"We do outreach to a lot of different levels and areas," Walsh said.

Part of what Walsh and Chaput do is make and update resource guides to each subject, specifically for the areas they are liaisons to. Walsh's areas of expertise include several different disciplines of engineering as well as physics, math and computer science; for Chaput, it's chemistry, molecular and cell biology, physiology and neurobiology and a few sects of engineering.

"We've made guides to the resources that are available. It references the databases available, the books, questions students may have about how they can get certain types of data. And we have these for all of our areas that we're liaisons to," Walsh said.

The two also run workshops throughout the year on a variety of subjects relating to research, hold consultations on research for individual students and visit classes to discuss their work.

"In the fall, we teach workshops to freshman in ENGR

1000 on how to use library resources in engineering," Walsh said.

All this work begs the question: What's so difficult about finding resources?

"It's not like Google. There's not like a search engine optimization that someone's paying for. It depends on the metadata that's been assigned to all the resources, so that makes the search process different," Walsh explained.

Metadata, or data about data, is what helps categorize all the research the library can access. Searching a term like 'reverse osmosis' brings up tens of thousands of results — metadata is what helps people sort through that.

"One of the ways to think about the data is it's all the little bits of data about your research. So your title, what journal it was in, whether it's an article or a book chapter or a book itself, what kind of information you're looking at," Chaput said. "All these little pieces are considered part of the metadata."

Both Walsh and Chaput have master's degrees in library science, which means both have taken classes on subjects like metadata, as well as cataloging, archiving and web design.

Walsh and Chaput finished by reminding students that there are library resources still available, even if classes are not in session.

"We're here to help students find the resources that they need. We are still available via our emails and online chat," Walsh said.

A skunk lost in the vents in McMahon residence hall

STRONG SKUNK SMELL REPORTED IN THE BUILDING BEFORE PEST CONTROL CONTACTED, DEODORIZERS IMPLANTED



A strong skunk-like smell was reported in McMahon dining and residence hall last Thursday. The university called in pest control multiple times in order to deal with the disruption. PHOTO BY ERIC WANG, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

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Students living in McMahon residence halls reported a strong skunk smell in the University of Connecticut building last Thursday.

"This was called in to us late last week, and we sent our pest control contractor to investigate," said Stephanie Reitz, UConn spokesperson. "He noted that the smell of skunk was very strong, and did a very comprehensive search looking for the source. He put a trap nearby, and put in deodorizers."

The smell has persisted throughout the week in the main area in front of McMahon dining hall.

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UNIVERSITY SPOKESWOMAN
STEPHANIE REITZ

"Early this week he responded again and noted that the smell has dissipated a little bit, but did leave another deodorizer and we had custodial respond to clean the area," Reitz said.

Crystal Ferreira, an eighth-semester cognitive science major who works the main desk in McMahon, said the smell has been strong all week in the main lobby.

"Last Thursday when we came into work, we assumed a skunk died in the vents because the smell is everywhere," Ferreira said. "We have been trying to figure out where the smell is coming from because you don't smell it inside the dining hall but its strong right outside the dining hall."

Since the smell started, workers have been checking the vents in McMahon on a daily basis, Ferreira said.

"We thought about the suggestion of the skunk still being alive but the smell hasn't moved and a skunk won't stay in one spot for a week," Ferreira said. "The smell is very centralized in the main lobby right here next to the dining hall."

Grace Brangwynne, a fourth-semester political science major, said the smell still lingers but has dissipated a lot.

"It's not that bad up in the rooms but once you get down to the lobby it hits

you," Brangwynne said. "I also think it makes us look a bit unclean in terms of the prospective students and students considering going here."

Brangwynne said that the campus tours that stop in McMahon should have been relocated while the smell was dissipating.

"I just think it makes our facilities look a little unhealthy and unsanitary," Brangwynne said. "I definitely know that's not what the staff means to portray but I definitely think there are other routes that don't involve McMahon where you can still see some sort of dining area on campus."

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The inside of McMahon dining hall, full of students. The skunk smell has still lingered, according to fourth-semester political science major Grace Brangwynne. FILE PHOTO/THE DAILY CAMPUS



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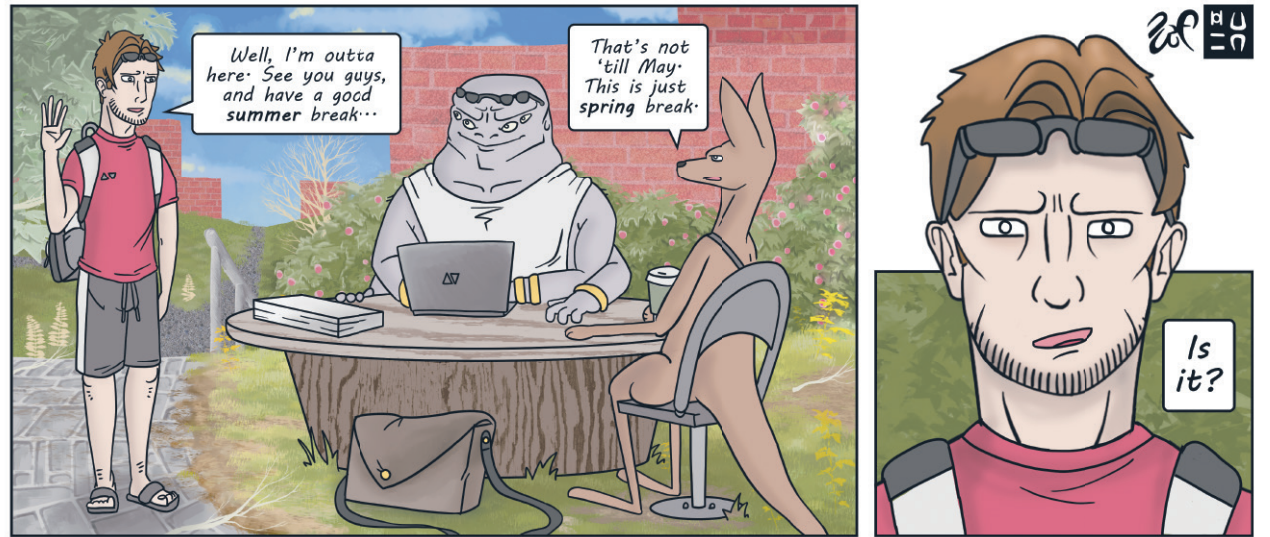
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UConn should compensate students for unused housing, meal plans and other fees

In light of the rapidly spreading novel coronavirus, University of Connecticut President Thomas Katsouleas announced Wednesday night that all classes will be moving online until at least April 6.

This may feel like a drastic measure, but it is not without precedent. Classes at universities like Yale University, Southern Connecticut State University and Sacred Heart University have also moved online for part or all of the semester. At each of these schools, students have also been asked to leave their dorms.

As spring break approaches, we must begin to think about managing this transition in the most equitable way possible. We are confident the UConn administration has been working around the clock to assess all possibilities.

But we would like to shine a light on one aspect of the situation: refunds for student fees.

At the beginning of every semester, we are charged for our dorms, our meal plans, our gym access, our buses and more. This semester, it is looking ever more likely that we will not receive all of the services we paid for. If the tenuous two week online class period holds, we'll be losing roughly 12.5% of the semester. That's about \$375 of meal plan fees, anywhere from \$450 to \$900 in housing costs and a little more than \$100 in other fees (including gym access, transportation and health services).

This is the best case scenario. But if the rest of our semester is moved online — which is a significant possibility based on the actions of peer institutions — the costs will be much larger.

Half of the semester equals about \$1,500 per student worth of meal plan fees. It's anywhere from \$1,800 to \$3,500 in housing costs. It's \$125 in recreation center fees. \$145 from student health services. \$40 for transportation. It's an incomputable amount of learning capacity lost from the rapid transition to online classes.

A typical on-campus student could be out several thousand dollars, with little to show for it.

The university has taken steps to address some of these issues — as per ResLife, housing is being offered until April 6 for students who have extenuating circumstances — and we commend them for it. But we have heard nothing concrete about refunding students who will not remain on campus when classes move online or don't meet the standard of "extenuating circumstances." We also haven't heard anything about compensating students for the diminished learning experience they will receive through online-only instruction.

UConn should also ensure that workers — from the cooks to the bus drivers — can live stable lives during this unexpected period of unemployment.

It's as simple as this: We paid for services which we will now not receive. UConn should refund us.



International Women's Day Gender equality is not a radical idea



Pakistan activists take part in an International Women's Day rally in Karachi, Pakistan, Sunday, March 8, 2020. Pakistanis held rallies across the country. Officially recognized by the United Nations in 1977, it is celebrated around the world on March 8. (AP Photo/Fareed Khan) PHOTO BY FAREED KHAN/AP

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On Sunday, March 8, the world celebrated International Women's Day. This annual day is meant to recognize women's rights movements and is celebrated differently across the world.

In some countries, International Women's Day is a day in which people honor those who have fought for women's rights in the past. In many other countries, however, it is a day full of protesting for women's rights and what we have still not achieved.

It is 2020, and no country in the world can say that they have total gender equality. This is depressing — gender equality is something that is long overdue, and people have been fighting for it for years. In many countries, in order to get this point across, women took to the streets to fight for their rights, calling attention to one thing in particular: violence against women.

In Pakistan, many held up posters and chanted the phrase "my body, my choice" in order to fight against much of the violence — physical and structural — that women face. The phrase was also especially meant to draw attention to honor killings, which is generally when a male relative murders a female relative for bringing so-called shame upon the family. Others demanded to know the fate of other female activists who had supposedly "disappeared."

The protests were not met with completely positive reactions; certain groups of people threw stones and mud at the protestors, also hurling insults at them.

The idea of equality should not be so radical. The protests around the world are completely valid in their purpose of bringing attention to the violence and inequality that women face. Part of the purpose of International Women's Day is to call attention to gender inequality, after all. One of the best ways to do this is to protest in a way that people will notice.

Ending violence against women should not be such an absurd idea. It is ridiculous that people have had to create such elaborate protests to call attention to and combat something like violence against women — something that people should already be aware of and should already be fighting against.

In Mexico, women protested in or-

der to call attention to the rising levels of femicide. Femicide is defined as the killing of women because of their gender. Unfortunately, in Mexico, the number of femicides has been increasing in recent years. The protests carried over into Monday, March 9, when thousands of women began a nationwide strike, not going to school and work, in order to show people what it would be like in the city if there were no women.

Protests with the purpose of combatting violence against women occurred in many more places worldwide, such as the U.K., Chile, Turkey, Kyrgyzstan and many other places.

Violence against women should not be a normal occurrence, and protests like the ones that occurred on Sunday will not let it be. More people should be aware of this issue and how it impacts so many. Violence against women can take many forms, such as the aforementioned honor killings and femicide, but also in other ways such as sexual violence, female infanticide, controlling women's bodies and many other ways. This needs to stop.

The protests around the world on International Women's Day are very much needed, no matter what the opposition believes. All people deserve to be equal, regardless of gender.

International Women's Day is a day that celebrates women and recognizes women's rights movements. However, it is also a day on which we reflect and realize that the fight for equality has not gone far enough. As long as women around the world are facing this kind of disproportionate violence, we are not all equal.

femicide: killing women because of their gender

International Women's Day: March 8, celebrates the social, political, economic and cultural accomplishments of women

"my body, my choice:" phrase chanted by Pakistani women to fight the violence they face

honor killings: when male relatives murder female relatives for bringing shame upon the family



Life

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Tips and tricks for staying healthy while traveling

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The coronavirus has sparked fear among millions. People all around the world are cancelling their travel plans in hope of escaping the potentially fatal virus. While some are lucky enough not to need to travel, others are forced to embark on planes and navigate airports. If you are one of those people, there are a few things you can do to protect yourself from unwanted germs.

Wear gloves

I bite my nails without even realizing it. I'm constantly touching my face, playing with my hair and eating snacks without washing my hands. Gloves are the perfect barrier to protect you from doing these things. By wearing a latex glove, you're unable to put your hands in your mouth and will most likely not want to touch your face. They work as a great reminder to not spread germs even further while protecting you from germs directly touching your skin.



Wash your hands

The airport is usually a place of high stress for people. You're scared of missing your flight, you're worried about your luggage getting lost and you wish to reach your destination. It's easy to eat a meal without washing your hands first, but it's important you remember to do so to protect your food from germs. And no, I don't mean a quick five-second wash under warm water. Thoroughly wash your hands with water and soap for at least 20 seconds, making sure to get your knuckles, the webs of your fingers and even your wrists. If you're sitting in a window seat, don't be nervous to politely ask your seat buddy if they mind getting up to let you out. It's always better to be safe than sorry.

Clorox wipes and hand sanitizer

While it's impossible not to touch surfaces, it is possible to wipe them down before and after. Bring portable Clorox wipes with you and wipe down your seat, the table and any other surface you will be coming in contact with for an extended amount of time. Periodically sanitize your hands if you don't have access to a restroom.

Care for your body

Besides taking steps specific for the coronavirus, overall taking care of your body is just as important. Make sure to get an adequate amount of rest and to constantly nourish yourself with nutritious and filling foods. Ditch the fast food for a more beneficial meal that is packed with helpful vitamins. The healthier you are, the better your immune system is and the less likely you are to get sick — even if it's just a common cold.

Be responsible

If you do begin to feel any symptoms of the coronavirus, get tested. Don't act as if it is just the flu being passed around, or say to yourself, "Oh, it's just a cold." Not only are you putting yourself at risk, but you're possibly putting people with damaged immune systems at risk. At a time where everything is so unpredictable, we must ensure as a community to do our part in helping contain the spread of COVID-19.

Spring Back: A call for resilience right now

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Though recent events have put a damper on everyone's normally-good moods around this time of year, there's no denying that the natural world is in a period of renewal and regrowth. Temperatures are rising, the sun is shining and the birds are chirping. Spring inches closer each day and will finally arrive on Thursday, March 19 during our week of spring break.

In contrast to the peacefulness of the outside world, the past week at UConn has been a rough one filled with the stress of midterms and questions about how classes will be carried out for the next few weeks. At a time when students should normally be excited for spring break plans, they're preparing to leave the university for several weeks while in-person classes are suspended. All of this has caused a great deal of anxiety, sadness and uncertainty.

Fortunately, students have a week of spring break before they must begin taking classes online, and this week should give

students some space and time to calm down and reassess everything.

At this point, students might want to take a cue from the environment: It's time to spring back. There are a lot of negative emotions floating around now, but harboring anger, resentment and distress won't allow anyone to move forward. Of course, things are not all sunshine and roses — though it is lighter later and flowers are starting to pop up — but keeping a positive outlook will be of more help than complaining and worrying.

Resiliency is a practice, not a character trait. Some will be more resilient than others, but everyone can implement certain behaviors to bounce back after adversity.

Over the next few weeks, try to maintain a hopeful mindset. It is important to prepare for the worst, but it's also essential to

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best. If you cast your gaze toward the ground, you won't see the sun. By focusing on the positive, you can empower yourself to move forward past setbacks.

Keep things in perspective and be grateful for all the positives in your own life. Don't allow current events to convince you that your entire future will look the same. You might be unable to change problematic circumstances right now, but you can change your interpretation of and reaction to them. Strong feelings that you currently have will eventually fade, and you will find a new balance.

It's not always easy to keep your head up, but the effort is worth it. Often, we allow ourselves to be knocked down too quickly by adverse events, so it is important to recognize your agency in your situation. Redirect negative or irrational

thought patterns and make room for changes.

Moreover, interact with people who lift you up. Don't waste your time with those who fixate on the negative.

Surround yourself with compassionate, understanding individuals and aim to be empathetic yourself.

Over break, take care of yourself. Eat healthy but allow yourself a treat once in a while. Similarly, exercise but don't push too hard. Catch up on sleep and establish a schedule that will allow you sufficient rest. The break is time to spend on yourself, have fun and relax.

The break is not time to spend wallowing in stress or disappointment, though it is okay to feel let-down for a little bit. You're allowed to feel however you feel, but it is important to pick yourself back up. The time that you spend knocked down is time that you could have used to move forward, to move to a better place.

In the next few weeks, cultivate resilience. Don't let your circumstances hold you down. Take control, think positive and push forward.

Take a cue from the world outside your window this spring. Like nature itself, regenerate and return — stronger now.

It is important to prepare for the worst, but it's also essential to hope for the best.



Keep things in perspective and be grateful for all the positives in your own life.



Books For Break

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There are a lot of things going on, and everyone is probably stressed, but amidst all the commotion, make sure to take care of yourself. First and foremost, try to take a break from schoolwork for the one week designated for spring break; that's what it's there for! Check in with your friends and spend time with them and your family when you are able to. A great avenue for relaxation and escapism are books, so whether you're an avid reader and were going to take this time to catch up on your books, or you're tired of trying to find a new Netflix show to watch, here are some three new releases you should check out. Before you know it, we'll be back.

“The Midnight Lie” by Marie Rutkoski

This is first on my list because after “The Winner’s Curse” trilogy, anything Rutkoski writes is a priority on my “To be Read” list. She just announced “Real Easy,” a “dark and twisty and feminist” thriller set in the world of a strip club. What’s not to love?

Some of this dark and twistiness comes into play with “The Midnight Lie,” “an epic LGBTQ romantic fantasy” that takes place in the world of her original trilogy. Nirrim is considered a second-class citizen to the High Kith, but when she encounters Sid, a traveler who brings news from outside their strictly regulated society, she has to reconsider what she knows about her world. With magic, a sexy and sly stranger (representation for the win!) and secrets abounding, I am beyond excited to pick this book up. Rutkoski’s prose, characterization and relationship development are top-notch, so I’m looking forward to a stellar review in the near future. Expectations are high.

“The Kingdom of Back” by Marie Lu

Coming out on the same day was this historical fantasy that’s been years in the making for Lu. Apparently, it’s unlike anything she’s ever written, so I am intrigued to read it. She explores the story of the forgotten sister of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Nannerl. As a woman in 18th century Europe, composing is forbidden, despite her talent. When a mysterious stranger, who like

change her fate, Nannerl can’t help but get involved. Historical fiction is not what I usually go for, but Lu has a way incorporating multiple genres, like fantasy, into her work, so I’m interested to see how that plays out in this book.

“Bone Crier’s Moon” by Kathryn Purdie

I’m going to be honest, this was a case of love at first sight. Charlie Bowater, who illustrated the gorgeous cover of this fantasy series debut, has crafted some of the most beautiful art for other popular fantasy novels I’ve read. But once I heard what this book was about, I was even more intrigued.

Purdie’s story features the mythical “Bone Criers,” whose duty is to ferry the spirits of the dead into either the “Night Heavens” of the goddess Elara or the Underworld of the god Tyrus. A strong convent of women featured in a book always gives it strong points, but with some cool worldbuilding, including the Bone Crier’s rite of passage to kill their true love, I know this book is bound to entertain.

These three fantasy novels will keep you entertained over the long hiatus from campus. PHOTOS COURTESY OF AMAZON



ASIAN BEAT: KOREAN POP THROWBACKS FOR BREAK

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“EYES, NOSE, LIPS” by TAEYANG

It’s been a heavy few days for news, especially those pertaining to Asian and Asian Americans. For me, nothing is more healing than music, especially during these times of discrimination, fear and blatant racism.

Something that has made me smile and want to do a shimmy are some good classic throwbacks. Since I work at a Korean BBQ restaurant (ironic for someone who doesn’t eat meat) it has to be Korean Pop or K-pop, a popular music genre that came from South Korea.

My younger cousin in Vietnam first introduced me to this genre of music in the 2010s, so the only real K-pop music I listen to is almost 10 years old. They still bop though, even if they aren’t your classic BTS. Unfortunately, many of these groups disbanded a few years ago, but their music still lives on.

This is another one of those songs that shocked me because it was so moving and not at all a dance club or party music that I usually associate K-pop with. The artist was originally part of boy group Big Bang before branching off on his own. The song is part of his “RISE [+SOLAR & HOT]” album released in 2014. The piano and the vocals blend together really well; the first time I heard this song, I got chills. There is also an English version of this song, which is helpful for understanding the meaning. I truly believe the Korean version sounds much deeper and soulful. The lyrics that go along with the title of the song share a story of sadness and reflection, “Your eyes, nose, lips / Your touch that used to touch me / To the ends of your fingertips / I can still feel you.”

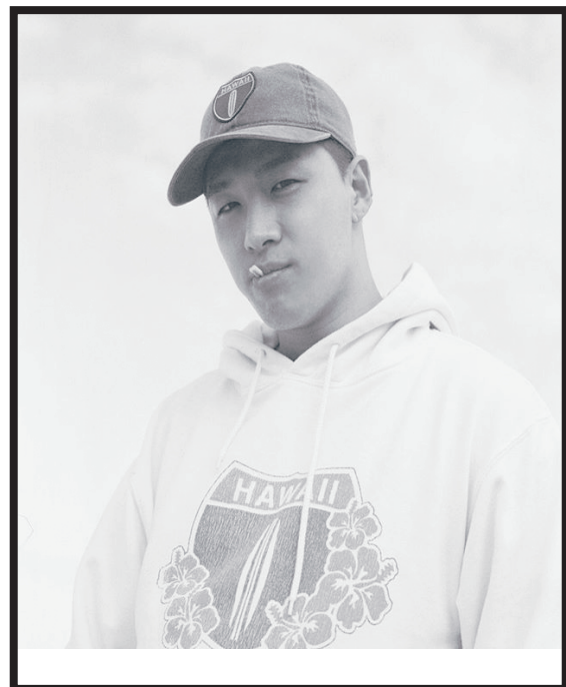


“Fiction” by Beast

Before listening to this song, much of the K-pop I had heard was really upbeat and fun. This song took it down a notch and went really deep into the “fiction” of love, so to speak. The three or four notes sprinkled throughout really hit, melancholy and echoey. My cousin showed this by the “penguin” like dance that this song is most known for. This six-member band of Yoon Doojoon, Yong Junhyung, Yang Yo-seob, Lee Gikwang, Son Dongwoon and Jang Hyunseung was formed in 2009, according to their Spotify biography.

“I Am The Best” by 2NE1

If you want a hype, empowering song for when you’re feeling down, look no further than this song. The four-member girl group comprised of CL, Bom, Sandara Park and Minzy pack a punch in every other part of the song. Listening to the song truly feels like a punch to all the bad that might be happening in your life, with the “I am the best” synth sung in Korean throughout the whole song. My favorite part of the song is baddy and rapper of the group, Minzy, cutting into the song with her own voice.



“I GOT A BOY” by Girls’ Generation

This was one of the largest, most empowering girl groups for me when I first started listening to K-pop. Their discography is wide, and all nine girls in this group — Hyoyeon, Jessica, Seohyun, Sooyoung, Sunny, Taeyeon, Tiffany, Yoona and Yuri — brought a different personality to the group. Each girl also had her own loyal following. I swung between Jessica and Tiffany. What drew me to the group was their powerful sound all together when they sang. In this song in particular, you can really hear how powerful their vocals all come together. Their album “I Got a Boy” in particular topped Billboard’s World Album Chart in January 2013, according to their Spotify biography.

“200%” by AKMU

This last song is one of my favorite feel good K-pop songs, it just makes me really smile. The light, upbeat sounds of this song make my head nod every time I play it at work. AKMU debuted in 2014 with Lee Chan-hyuk and Lee Su-hyun, the South Korean sibling duo. I particularly love Lee Su-hyun; it’s so sweet, yet raw and very “girl next door.” When she sings, “I want you really I mean really,” you can really hear how endearing her voice is.

If it’s your first time listening to K-pop, I suggest listening to some of the classics that really set the stage for modern K-pop songs. The genre is also known for its very theatrical, involved music videos and these songs are no different. Some of the songs I wrote about even have a visual twist and storyline, making the songs even more engaging. Happy listening!

ARE YOU HOSTING A ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY? WELL, LOOK NO FURTHER!

THESE HOMEMADE TREATS AND D.I.Y. DECORATIONS WILL MAKE YOUR GUESTS FEEL LUCKY IN NO TIME.

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DECORATIONS

Hanging shamrocks

A shamrock garland is the perfect backdrop for photos. Begin by cutting several shamrock shapes out of green paper. You can print out a stencil to make this easier. Glue the shamrocks onto a piece of string as long as your wall. Repeat as many times as necessary for your desired effect.

"Kiss me I'm Irish" kissing booth

This adorable photo prop will definitely make your party stand out from the rest. Start with a large, sturdy rectangular poster board or cardboard. Then cut out a square in the middle. Use markers, paint, stickers or whatever you'd like to decorate — this is your chance to get creative!

Balloon clovers

Hang these clovers on walls, railings or wherever you feel needs some decor. Start with green heart-shaped balloons. Four balloons are needed for each clover. Simply inflate them and tie the four ends together with string.



FOOD AND DRINK

Shamrock punch

Try this easy shamrock punch to get the party started. This bubbly drink is a definite crowd pleaser.

Ingredients:
1 carton lime sherbet
1 liter ginger ale

Scoop the sherbet into a punch bowl and pour the ginger ale over it. Allow it to slightly melt before serving in glasses.



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Mint chocolate chip cookies

These scrumptious mint chocolate chip cookies are sure to be a hit. You'll have your guests green with envy wondering how you made this eye catching dessert.

Ingredients:
¾ cup unsalted butter at room temperature
1 ¼ cups sugar
2 eggs
2 ½ cups all-purpose flour
1 tsp peppermint extract
1 tsp baking soda
½ tsp baking powder
½ tsp kosher salt
20 drops green food coloring
1 cup chopped Andes candy
1 cup semisweet chocolate chips

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit. Mix the butter and sugar in a stand mixer on medium speed for two minutes. Add two eggs and peppermint extract. Mix together until fully combined. In a large bowl, combine flour, baking soda, baking powder and salt. Whisk these ingredients together. Funnel the flour mix into the wet mix on low speed. When the mixture reaches a doughy consistency, add 20 drops of green food coloring. Next add Andes mint candies and semisweet chocolate chips. Fold them into the dough. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Use an ice cream scooper to get the same amount of dough every time. Let the cookies bake for 10 to 12 minutes.

Shamrock shake

If you're a fan of McDonald's shamrock shake, be sure to check out this recipe. Refreshing milkshakes are another delicious drink guests are certain to love.

Ingredients:
1 pint vanilla ice cream
½ cup half-and-half
5 drops mint extract
5 drops green food coloring
Whipped cream
Maraschino cherries

In a blender, add ice cream, half-and-half, mint extract and food coloring. Blend for one minute. Pour into glasses. Finish it with whipped cream and a cherry.



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Opinion



SCIENCE FRIDAY



Philadelphia Should Open Safe Injection Sites

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Opioid addiction is a distressing epidemic that affects countless people worldwide. According to data from 2018, opioid overdose claims the lives of 128 people every day in the United States alone. Given the dramatically increasing rates of opioid use and abuse, this number has likely risen over the past year. Injection drug use has severely affected the lives of many Americans: plunging people into addiction, claiming lives, increasing homelessness and crime and facilitating the spread of diseases such as HIV and hepatitis C.

Supervised injection sites have sprung up to address some of the harms associated with injection drugs. Already in Canada and some European countries, these locations offer a safe space for addicts to inject themselves with illegal substances such as heroin and cocaine. Injection sites are equipped with clean needles, addiction treatments and staff trained to aid in the event of overdose. Their goals include preventing potential deaths and diseases contracted from injection drug use, as well as encouraging the promotion of addiction treatment and rehabilitation.

Opponents of injection sites in the United States argue the establishments encourage the use of illegal drugs and are illegal themselves. Prosecutors in the U.S. Justice Department therefore claim that the opening of these safe sites would be a violation of the Controlled Substance Act, the goal of which is to close crack houses. This has led to many drawn-out legal battles between such critics and groups wishing to open safe sites.

Despite this opposition, Philadelphia made headlines last month as the first city in the United States to obtain approval to open a supervised injection site. Following two years of legal deliberations, a federal judge ruled that such a facility would not violate federal laws; this decision effectively granted the nonprofit Safehouse permission to open their safe injection site. However, the victory was short-lived, as the decision was met with swift opposition.

Following Safehouse's announcement of a supervised injection site to be opened in South Philadelphia, a highly commercial and residential area, locals immediately protested. Philadelphians had expected the site to open in Kensington, an area known as a hotspot for opioid addiction, homelessness and crime. As a result, Safehouse's lease was canceled and the opening of the injection site has been put on hold indefinitely.

Furthermore, the Philadelphia City Council is attempting to pass a bill that would make it all but impossible for Safehouse to ever open a safe injection site in the city. The bill would label the sites as "nuisance health establishments," thus mandating an extensive public approval process that would likely bar the opening of any future sites.

The resistance to the opening of a safe injection site has the potential to cause more harm than the opening itself. While it has not been directly proven that injection sites reduce crime or homelessness rates, no death has ever occurred at a safe site. Studies conducted on existing locations in Canada found that the sites did not encourage drug use and in fact helped to prevent potential deaths. People who went to the sites were less likely to partake in behaviors with high risk of HIV contraction and more likely to seek out detox and rehabilitation.

Perhaps most importantly, these sites simply provide a safe environment where drug addicts are welcomed and not judged. For these reasons, the so-called "city of brotherly love" would benefit from creating this refuge for a population that is so greatly in need of assistance.



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SCIENCE FACTS

A single bolt of lightning contains enough energy to toast 100,000 slices of bread.

Rats multiply quickly enough that within 18 months, two rats may have a million descendents.

10% of all humans ever born are alive right now.

Astronauts can't burp in space.

Potatoes have more chromosomes than people.

Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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Baseball: UConn's season in danger of cancellation



As a result of UConn suspending all athletics, UConn baseball will be put on hold indefinitely. The Huskies were slated to play five games over the next five days. PHOTO BY NICOLE JAIN, GRAB PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

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Leagues and conferences have been canceling from concerns around the spread of COVID-19. As of Thursday, The American has suspended all winter and spring sports from playing their games.

This weekend, UConn baseball was supposed to head down to Richmond, Virginia

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and Norfolk, Virginia for three games against Monmouth, Norfolk State and Richmond.

The Huskies were going to head into the weekend riding a five-game winning streak that had a very solid chance of continuing against the slew of sub-.500 competition. Their bats came alive last weekend against Presbyterian, scoring 31 runs in the series.

Since this was supposed to be a weekend preview of the weekend's games, instead let's take the opportunity to recognize some of the standout performances we have seen this season from one of UConn's best teams.

UConn's pitching has been especially good, with key contributors Nick Krauth and Joe Simeone chiming in with nearly 40 innings between the two of them, with ERAs of 0.36 and 3.00, respectively.

Krauth has put on a display

this season, striking out 24 in 24.2 innings of work. He beat top-10 Michigan twice en route to a perfect 4-0 record for the year. His ERA is the 13th best in the nation and seventh best among pitchers with 20.0 or more innings. He also allowed just 5.11 hits per nine innings on the year, en route to an opposing batting average of .167.

On the offensive side of the ball, UConn has flourished this season.

Outfielder Kyler Fedko has been especially productive in the early going this year as well, slashing .412/.434/.627 through 13 games with a pair of homers and 12 RBIs. His 1.061 OPS leads the team and his .412 average leads the American. He has made tons of contact this season as well, striking out in just 7% of his plate appearances.

Freshman Reggie Crawford has been spectacular in his first season, providing a solid left-handed presence in the middle of the order. Crawford

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leads the team in RBIs with 16 and the conference in doubles with seven. He has knocked one out of the park as well, with a solo shot against New

Orleans.

Senior Chris Winkel struggled a bit out of the gate but has turned it on as of late to improve his slash line to .348/.404/.457 through 13 games. He has six multi-hit games on the year, with four during their five-game win-streak.

In limited time, righty Erik Stock thrived at the plate as well. His .484 batting average is the best on the Huskies as he has spent the season spraying singles in the two-hole.

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Captain and catcher Paul Gozzo came into the starting role following an elbow injury to Pat Winkel. He has responded with a pair of homers against Michigan and Hartford. His three-run blast gave UConn the win against Hartford on Tuesday, capping off a 4-RBI performance.

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This team has a very solid foundation going forward — I hope this isn't the last article I get to write about this group. It is incredibly disappointing this is happening, but I'm glad I got the chance to see it while it happened.

Hockey East Tournament canceled



The UConn men's hockey team was slated to be the No. 5 seed in the Hockey East tournament. They would have played their first series this weekend. PHOTO BY KEVIN LINDSTROM, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

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The rest of the Hockey East tournament has been canceled over concerns for COVID-19, canceling UConn men's hockey team's scheduled game against No. 15 ranked Maine Black Bears in the Hockey East Quarterfinals.

The best-of-three series was set to take place from Friday to Sunday at Alford Arena on the campus of UMaine. The UMaine athletic department announced earlier Thursday that the games would be played "with only essential staff and limited family attendance."

But just hours later, the conference announced that it was canceling the tournament altogether.

The announcement came soon after several other NCAA events announced the same thing, namely the conference basketball tournaments, most of which were canceled Thursday.

Not long after that, NCAA announced it was canceling all winter and spring championships, including the national hockey tournament and the storied men's and women's national basketball tournaments, known as "March Madness." This effectively ends UConn and every other teams' seasons prematurely.

The quarterfinal matchups this weekend were set to be No. 1 seed Boston College hosting No. 8 seed Providence, No. 2 seed UMass hosting No. 7 seed Northeastern, No. 3 seed UMass Lowell hosting No. 6 seed Boston University and No. 4 seed UMaine hosting No. 5 seed UConn.

If the National Tournament had been played, BC could have received the automatic bye as

the Hockey East regular season champion, and multiple other Hockey East teams could have been in positions for at-large bids.

However, UConn would not have been one of them, as they are currently No. 33 on USCHO.com's pairwise rankings. To get an at-large bid, a team typically has to be in the top 16. UConn's only way in would have been shocking everyone with a win in the conference tournament, something not too far-fetched for this team.

The Huskies finished fifth in Hockey East with a 15-15-4 overall record and a 12-10-2 conference record. It was the team's most successful season since joining Hockey East in 2014. Head coach Mike Cavanaugh was named a finalist for conference coach of the year for his efforts in leading the team on its remarkable journey.

The Huskies were picked in the preseason to finish ninth in the conference, and they started the season looking like they would fulfill that prophecy. But the team continued to improve throughout the season, and they certainly gained respect in the conference for their run in the second half of the season.

The team was 8-1 over a stretch of nine conference games from mid-January to late February, including a couple of magical late comeback wins over BU and UMass. They vaulted themselves right into a position to host a play-off series. While the team fell just short of that, it was still in a position to make a run in the tournament.

Now, the team won't get the chance to do that.

The players are undoubtedly frustrated: This season had a chance to go down in UConn history, but now will always be a big "what if?"

Like the rest of the paper, The Daily Campus Sports section will continue online. That is, if there are any sports. We are open to suggestions on what content to make. Send us emails to sports@dailycampus.com. We're not joking. If you want us to make a 2k league and write about it, so we're down. The Show 20 releases on Tuesday, maybe there's something there. Y'all ever play Game Pigeon? We could write about that. Anyway, good luck everyone, Sports section out.

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The UConn cheer team, along with Jonathan, gets ready to pump up the crowd at Mohegan Sun during the American Athletic Conference women's basketball tournament. PHOTO BY ERIC WANG, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

Column: The effect COVID-19 has on soccer (currently)

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Just like most major sports across the globe, soccer is one that has taken serious precautions against the novel coronavirus. Currently, the MLS and USL Championship are the most recent leagues to have their season suspended by 30 days due to the pandemic.

COVID-19 is affecting soccer in more than just the United States, however. In Europe, almost every league's season, except the Premier League, has been suspended indefinitely or for a certain number of days. Italy, the country hit the hardest by the virus, was among the first country of Europe's largest leagues to suspend its Serie A and Serie B leagues for 30 days, but this is likely to change given how fast it's spreading. Additionally, Spain's La Liga is the latest to have its league suspended, albeit for a shorter period of time than other leagues.

There is currently one player with the virus, Juventus defender Daniele Rugani. It's still unknown if there are more players with the virus at the time of writing — though this may change as well since Premier League club Leicester City have three players in self-quarantine due to having coronavirus-like symptoms on Thursday. PSG's Kylian Mbappe was tested for



In this Saturday, March 7, 2020 file photo Arsenal's head coach Mikel Arteta reacts during the Premier League soccer match between Arsenal and West Ham at the Emirates Stadium in London. Arsenal manager Mikel Arteta has tested positive for the coronavirus, forcing the club to close its training complex and put the entire first-team in self isolation. For most people, the novel coronavirus can cause only mild or moderate symptoms, but for some it can cause more severe illness. PHOTO BY MATT DUNHAM/AP

the coronavirus since he had a fever and a throat infection, however his results came back negative.

As I said earlier, the Premier League is the only major league in Europe that hasn't suspended their league. However, it was confirmed Thursday night that Arsenal manager Mikel Arteta tested positive for COVID-19, half-hour after the Premier League announcing

ARSENAL MANAGER MIKEL ARTETA TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID-19 ON THURSDAY. THE PREMIER LEAGUE WILL MEET FRIDAY TO DISCUSS WHAT TO DO

this weekend's games would still be played with fans able to attend. The league will hold an emergency meeting today with Premier League clubs regarding future games.

Looking forward, I think it'll be inevitable that all UEFA competitions will also be suspended, including the Champions League, Europa League and the 2020 Euros. It's uncertain when, or if, the Euros

and other competitions will be rescheduled, but according to the BBC, other options include playing the tournament with the teams that already qualified or to allow nations yet to qualify in time slots before the Euros begin.

If there's any one person in the world of soccer who has gained my upmost respect about the pandemic, it's Liverpool's Jurgen Klöpp. While I'm certain there are other coaches in the Premier League who have voiced their thoughts and concerns about COVID-19, Klöpp has been the only one (to my awareness) to have dug into reporters for asking questions about the coronavirus. Reason being, he simply doesn't want to be asked questions that should be asked to medical professionals.

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In a pre-game press conference, Klöpp went off on a reporter from Spain, a country with over 3,000 cases, for traveling out of the country and asking Klöpp if he was concerned about the case.

"We should all be worried at the same time, and that's exactly what I don't like," he said. "That you sit here and ask me this question but fly from Madrid to here, so stay there."



In this Nov. 6, 2019, file photo, Juventus' Daniele Rugani, right, fights for the ball with Lokomotiv's Eder during a Champions League soccer match at the Lokomotiv Stadium in Moscow, Russia. Italian soccer club Juventus announced on Wednesday, March 11, 2020, that defender Daniele Rugani has tested positive for the new coronavirus. Rugani, who is also an Italy international, is the first player in Italy's top soccer division to test positive but Juventus stressed that the 25-year-old has no symptoms. PHOTO BY PAVEL GOLOVKIN/AP

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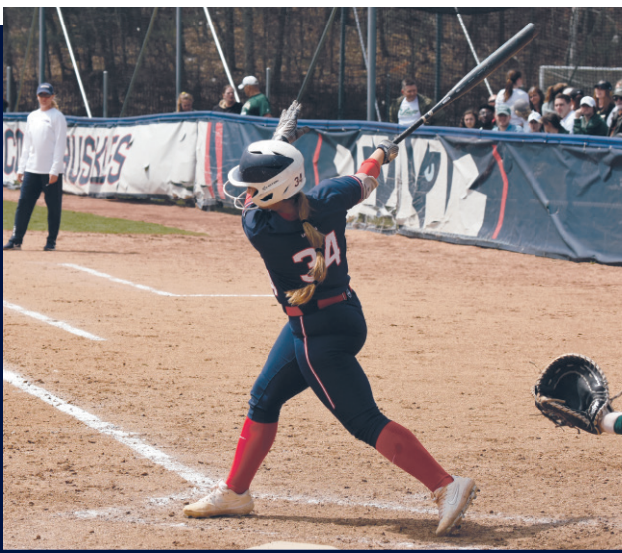


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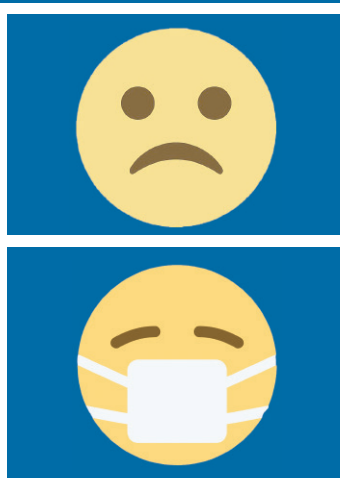
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THIS WEEKEND IN UCONN SPORTS



INSTAGRAM OF THE DAY



@uconnhuskies
All athletics activities have been suspended indefinitely.

TWEETS OF THE DAY



Mike Mavredakis
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I guess it's time to learn e-sports

Jeff Jacobs
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Every sports figure who I've ever met over 40 years can expect a phone call in the next month. I'll be hunting columns like a crazy man.

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