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CT Colleges Named to President's Honor Roll for Community Service

HARTFORD, March 28 – The Corporation for National and Community Service has named 14 Connecticut's colleges and universities to the [2012 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll](#), the highest federal distinction an institution of higher education can receive for its commitment to bettering their communities through community service and service learning.

The 14 Connecticut colleges are among 642 across the nation admitted to the 2012 Honor Roll. Two of Connecticut's awardees – Eastern Connecticut State University and the University of Connecticut – received the recognition of Honor Roll with Distinction; an honor accorded to just 108 other U.S. higher education institutions.

In addition to Eastern and UConn, Connecticut's 2012 Honor Roll recipients are:

Central Connecticut State University
Connecticut College
Fairfield University
Manchester Community College
Norwalk Community College
Quinnipiac University

Saint Joseph College
United States Coast Guard Academy
University of Bridgeport
University of Hartford
University of New Haven
Wesleyan University

Across Connecticut, college and university students participate in creative projects to address community needs, from building decent, affordable homes for low-income families to after-school tutoring of elementary school children in urban communities. These projects, along with AmeriCorps and other campus-based community service efforts are administered by the [Commission on Community Service](#) which is housed in the Office of Financial and Academic Affairs for Higher Education.

“These Honor Roll colleges, their faculty and students, are to be commended for their leadership in making community service a priority on their campuses,” stated Jane. A. Ciarleglio, Executive director of the Office of Financial and Academic Affairs. “Community service enriches not only students’ academic experience but also the communities surrounding our campuses. We celebrate these schools for their foresight and commitment, and encourage other colleges to follow their lead.”

This year, the Commission on Community Service is administering \$9.3 million in federal dollars awarded to Connecticut to support community service activities. In addition, the Office has awarded more than \$29.8 million in Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards to help college students with tuition costs and loan repayment.

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