

First Year Experience

INITIATION QUESTIONS

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FIRST YEAR PROGRAMS
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Getting to Know You

1. Who is your hero?
2. If you could live anywhere, where would it be?
3. What is your biggest fear?
4. What is your favorite family vacation?
5. What would you change about yourself if you could?
6. What really makes you angry?
7. What motivates you to work hard?
8. What is your proudest accomplishment?
9. What makes you laugh the most?
10. What was the last movie you went to?
11. What did you want to be when you were small?
12. Have you ever had a nickname? What is it?
13. Do you like or dislike surprises? Why or why not?
14. If money was no object, what would you do all day?
15. If you could go back in time, what year would you travel to?
16. What are your hobbies?
17. What is the best gift you have been given?
18. What is the worst gift you have received?
19. Aside from necessities, what one thing could you not go a day without?
20. List two pet peeves.

Would You Rather... (Part I)

1. Would you rather have 8 a.m. classes every day or 8 p.m. classes every day?
2. Would you rather have a job you hated that made you rich or have a job you loved that ensured you would always be poor?
3. Would you rather never be able to eat desserts again or never be able to sleep in again?
4. Would you rather never have a smartphone again or never have a laptop again?
5. Would you rather have tickets to every football or every basketball game?
6. Would you rather be able to eat anywhere for free or be able to get any clothes from any store for free?
7. Would you rather have the worst professor of all time once or have just okay professors forever?
8. Would you rather not be able to taste or not be able to see colors?
9. Would you rather have to sing everything you say (but say as much as you want) or talk normally but only be allowed 100 words a day?
10. Would you rather be a famous politician or a reality TV star?
11. Would you rather have a constantly messy dorm room or a constantly smelly dorm room?
12. Would you rather know only the bad parts of your future or not know your future at all?

Would You Rather... (Part II)

1. Would you rather be the smartest person of all time or the most beautiful person of all time?
2. Would you rather get a degree in what you love or get a degree in something that will make you money?
3. Would you rather be able to time travel but not control what time you go to or be able to teleport but not be able to control where you go?
4. Would you rather always feel hungry or always feel thirsty, no matter how much you ate or drank?
5. Would you rather live very far away from main campus in the nicest dorm of all time or super close in a terrible dorm?
6. Would you rather lose your wallet once a year and have to replace everything in it or lose your phone once a year and have to replace it?
7. Would you rather always be able to know when someone is lying to you or never know?
8. Would you rather have your whole body covered in tattoos forever or have your skin be bright green for 10 years?
9. Would you rather have to eat every meal in a terrible dining hall for four years or eat in a pretty good dining hall for the rest of your life?
10. Would you rather that everyone in the world has your phone number or never have a cell phone again?
11. Would you rather have it always be summer or always be winter?
12. Would you rather never be able to find a table in the library or never be able to find a table in the dining hall?
13. Would you rather sweat maple syrup and always feel sticky but smell great or sweat normally but smell like rotten eggs?
14. Would you rather everyone not believe anything you say or have everything you say be broadcast to the entire world?

Mid-Semester

1. What really stresses you out?
2. When do you feel happiest here?
3. How well have you been using your time?
4. What is the best advice you've gotten?
5. How do you handle a bad day?
6. What has worked so far this semester?
7. What is one positive thing that has happened this semester?
8. What scares you?
9. What do you need to succeed at UConn?
10. What has excited you this semester?
11. What do you wish has gone better this semester?
12. How will you keep yourself sane for the rest of the semester?

End of the Semester

1. What is something you did this semester that you think you will remember for the rest of your life?
2. What is something you accomplished this semester that you are proud of?
3. What was the nicest thing someone in our class did for you?
4. What was the most challenging part of this semester for you?
5. If you could change one thing that happened this semester, what would it be?
6. What are the three most important things you learned this semester?
7. What is something that was hard for you at the start of the semester but is easy now?
8. What are six adjectives that best describe this semester?
9. Knowing what you know now, if you could write a letter to yourself that would travel back in time so that you would receive it at the start of the semester, what advice would you give yourself?