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Grad School

University Better than Average Despite Challenges

BY NICOLE RIVERA
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After her sophomore year at the University of New

Haven actually scores better for retention rate than other schools. According to collegefactual.com, 80 percent of students currently enrolled in the University of New Haven will return. Nationwide, lot of things made sense. Less than 5 percent of psychology majors get a job in their field. UNH has a heavy emphasis on criminal justice, which is fine, but you can't put other majors who pay just as much

through the Integrated Post-secondary Education Data System (IPEDS), to which OIR annually reports data on key metrics about the university, including enrollment, financial aid, graduation



Photo Courtesy of the University of New Haven

Haven, psychology major Alexis Cirillo dropped out. Cirillo thought about how her money was being used and where it was going after her teacher said in class that the department could not afford paper.

"I chose not to return to UNH because of the quality of education," said Cirillo. "I paid around \$32,000 a year, and my own department couldn't afford paper?"

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only 72 percent of students returned and are currently enrolled.

"There were 1,415 bachelor's degree candidates at the University of New Haven in 2013. By 2015, six years after beginning their degree, 51.5 percent of these students had graduated," according to collegefactual.com.

Cirillo said, "Whenever I questioned the graduation rate or my probability of finding a job after college, a

on the back burner."

There was no more recent data. As data from 2008 shows, it seems that there is a greater graduation rate from students who graduated after 8 years.

"The Office of Institutional Research (OIR) does not have sufficient staffing resources to respond to all data requests from students, reporters and external agencies. However, answers to most inquiries can be found

rates, degree completion, institutional finances, faculty, and staff." said Jeffrey E. Luoma, assistant director of institutional research.



ENTERTAINMENT

“Toy Story 4” Ends the Saga

BY MATT VERILLI
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The movie “Toy Story 4” will be the final film in the franchise that began almost 25 years ago.

The movie will feature all the fan favorites -- Woody, Buzz Lightyear, Jessie, and

Bo Peep, among others, who will keep their original voice actors. The movie will also introduce audiences to three new characters: Forky, voiced by Tony Hale, and Ducky and Bunny voiced by Keegan-Michael Key and Jordan Peele, respectively.

The movie was first announced in 2014. Originally, the story was meant to follow

the love between Woody and Bo Peep. But, the film was put on the shelf. Four years later, it got a new screenwriter, Stephany Folsom, who has rewritten a majority of the original script.

The film will feature the introduction of Forky (a homemade toy crafted from a spork), who is introduced to the rest of the toys by Bon-

nie, the kid with whom Andy (the original toy owner) left his toys. Forky is having an existential crisis and does not believe himself to be a toy. Woody and the gang bring Forky on an adventure to discover what it means to be a toy in this world.

Within the last week, there have been two trailers released for the movie. The first

shows Woody, Buzz, Jessie, Mr. and Mrs. Potato Head, and the rest of the series’ cast slowly dancing together to Judy Collins’ song “Both Sides, Now.” The second teaser features Ducky and Bunny.

Tom Hanks, the voice of Woody, said he got emotional when recording the final scenes of the movie. He

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Night Time Music

BY NICOLE MANALL
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With the days getting shorter and the nights getting longer, everyone needs a couple of sad songs to help them get through the dimmer days.

Lovely - Billie Eilish & Khalid – Though their styles may seem to clash, Eilish and Khalid know how to break listeners’ hearts.

Tequila - Dan + Shay – Tequila is not a party track instead, it’s about a recent heartbreak.

Saturday Night - Khalid – Khalid shows his wide vocal range as he tells a story about a girl he seems to know better than her own family.

Sorry - 6lack – 6lack lets listeners know about the brutal weight of love in a loveless career field.

Even My Dad Does Sometimes - Ed Sheeran – Ed Sheeran encourages those who feel sad and depressed to share those feelings with others.

Doing It Wrong - Drake – In this tearjerker, Drake takes listeners on a journey through a heartbreak that felt like the end of the world to him.

Praying - Kesha – Kesha pushes through her demons, and possesses a noticeable level of empathy and understanding.

Half of Me - Rihanna – Rihanna recognizes half the fun in this industry is in figuring it out, though she’s not remorseful for not letting her fans all the way in.

Come and See Me - PARTYNEXTDOOR ft Drake – PND makes it easy to be enveloped by this track, and leaves listeners lost in the beat.

I Fall Apart - Post Malone – Malone takes audiences through the emotional weight that comes crashing down onto you after a heartbreak.

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OPINIONS

Should Celebrities Weigh In On Politics?

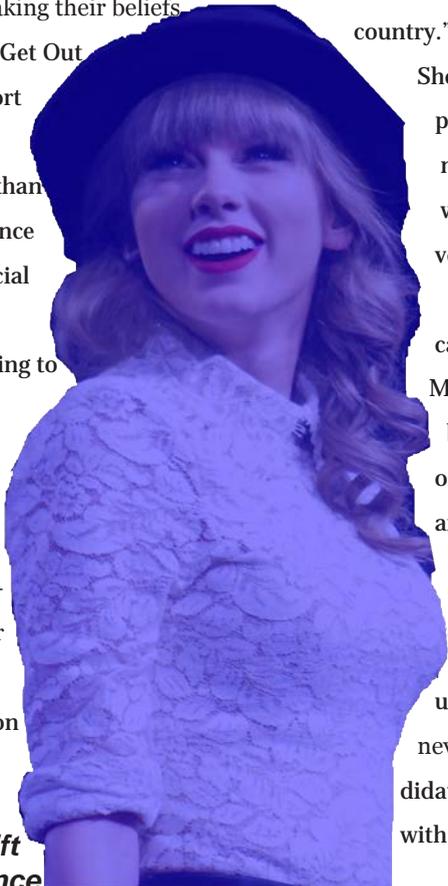
BY ANGELA TRICARICO
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It's nearly impossible to be apolitical today, and that goes for celebrities in particular. Since the election of Donald Trump in 2016, celebrities have become more outspoken about their political beliefs, and more often they are anti-Trump.

Whether it's through tweets, public demonstrations (like appearing at a protest) or blatantly obvious statements, such as when Robert DeNiro said "F*** Trump," at the 2018 Tony Awards, celebrities and public figures are making their beliefs

known. The "Get Out The Vote" effort seemed more star-studded than in any year since the rise of social media, with celebrities trying to engage their followers in ways to get involved in their communities, register to vote, and actually vote on election day.

Singer Taylor Swift broke silence for the first time.



This past election cycle brought attention to the political beliefs of two of the most followed celebrities on the internet: Taylor Swift and Kanye West. Before October, Swift had been tight-lipped about her politics, especially in the lead-up to the 2016 presidential election, but finally broke her silence this year. She shared all of this in an Instagram post saying that while she had been reluctant to share in the past, due to several events in her life "[she] feel[s] very differently about that now." Swift said, "I always have and always will cast my vote based on which candidate will protect and fight for the human rights I believe we all deserve in this country."

She ended the post by explaining reasons why she was voting against senatorial candidate Marsha Blackburn in favor of Phil Bredesen and brought up an excellent point: "For a lot of us, we may never find a candidate or party with whom we

agree 100% on every issue, but we have to vote anyway."

Many of her critics denounced Swift, and said her endorsement was too little too late and that she should have used this voice and platform much earlier. Yet voting registration spiked in the 24 hours after Swift's post and vote.org noted 65,000 new registrations.

Sophomore forensic science major Emily Sousa says that the outspoken nature of Swift's politics won't affect her fandom. "I have been a fan of her and her music since I was in elementary school, and I don't think that her politics should have any effect on my opinions of her music and career," she said.

On the other side of the political spectrum -- or so it seems -- is Kanye West. He had a public up and down relationship with President Obama, and as Trump settled into the presidency, West showed support of him.

This became more obvious after West went on an unscripted rant following a performance on "Saturday Night Live" while wearing a Make America Great Again hat. A few days later, he was in the Oval Office meeting the president.

Only a few days later, West reinvented himself, saying his eyes have been opened and he is distancing himself from politics. In response, journalist

Alex Wagner of CBS News tweeted, "Apparently Kanye did not understand that "Sitting in the Oval Office with the President of the United States and railing against liberals" would be seen as explicitly, uhm, political." Brian Guski, a senior communications, and theater double major isn't letting this affect his appreciation of West.

"I whole heartedly believe when Kanye says something that the public deems as outrageous, he is trying to give his insight on the issue," he said.

"I still believe at the end of the day he is trying to unite everyone together to stand up against intolerance and hate."

"Just because Kanye has publicly stated how he supported Trump, does not mean I will stop listening to his music,"

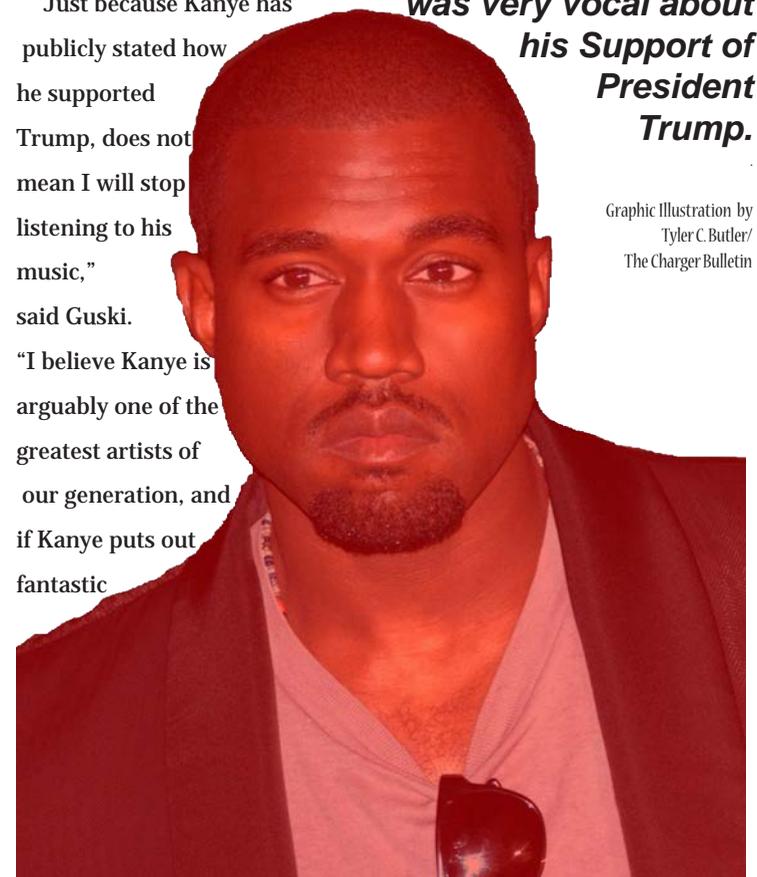
said Guski. "I believe Kanye is arguably one of the greatest artists of our generation, and if Kanye puts out fantastic

music, then I will continue to listen to it."

Though ideologically, I line up more with Swift than with West, I still believe they're both entitled to be as outspoken about politics as I am. There are more nuances that come with being a public figure, and it invites discourse in a way that me stating my beliefs doesn't, but fundamentally, it doesn't change the act.

"I do not care whether said celebrities express their political views, I applaud them for participating in our political system because they are Americans just like you and me," said Guski.

Rapper Kanye West was very vocal about his Support of President Trump.



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Driving In My First Snow Storm

BY BEVERLY CHIGARIRA
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I am an international student from Africa, so I only started experiencing snow in the U.S., which was a great cold experience. Driving in the snow is still an extreme sport for me which I don't like, and being a commuter has made driving in it inevitable.

On Thursday November 15, a storm hit Connecticut. The University of New Haven canceled classes that would go beyond 3 p.m.

However, I have laboratory classes every Thursday from 1:40 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. This was confusing because, despite my labs ending late, it also started earlier than 3.

I emailed my professor about the status of having a lab class that day.

Well, we had one. After a series of mild protests from mostly commuter students who had to travel at least 30 minutes, we continued with the lab. I could not opt out because I would be the only one who needed to make up the lab, and it would be inconvenient for my professor to attend a four hour lab for one student. After the lab, I left the campus at 4:45pm.

I use Route 34 to commute home and while driving, I witnessed three accidents. The first one was a Nissan sedan in front of me. The driver lost control and his car started gliding back toward my car, so I had to move to the oncoming lane. I was okay, but the Nissan hit the

car behind me. We stayed there for about 30 minutes and no cars were moving.

Shortly after that in Seymour the roads weren't clear, so the driver coming opposite me almost hit my vehicle because he lost control, and ran into the barrier. That accident missed me by a small margin.

This time, we waited about two hours before cars started moving.

My last encounter was in Monroe. There, I experienced by far the worst road conditions all day. Again, the roads weren't cleared, and my car and others got stuck. My car had sunk in the thick layers of snow. I had to get out, and all I had was a notebook to dig through the snow. Everyone else parked their cars to wait

for the snow plows, but I was outdone --tired, cold, hungry and annoyed. I managed to get out and got home at almost 9 p.m. I couldn't get in my driveway because of the snow, so I went in by foot, cleared my driveway which I finished at midnight. This was really annoying because I also had an exam to prepare for the next morning.

If I had left school in time, when everyone else was dismissed, I would have missed all those traffic delays, got home in time, safe and dry. If classes are canceled at a certain time, any classes going beyond that dismissal time should also be canceled. I hope in the future, this policy is revisited because it is not worth it to be in danger simply because a class went long.

Toy Story

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called the ending "profound" and "a moment in history." Tim Allen, the voice of Buzz Lightyear, also told 'The Talk' that he got choked up during the recording of several others.

"Toy Story 4" is produced by Pixar Animation Studios and released by Walt Disney Pictures. The film will hit theaters on June 21, 2019.



CHARGER COMICS

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SPORTS

Football Falls For the Last Time

BY CHRIS DIGERONIMO
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Football hosted Slippery Rock University in the NCAA Division II Second Round on Saturday, Nov. 24.

The game did not go as planned for the Chargers, who were defeated 59-20. This is the program's worst loss since they were defeated by Southern Connecticut State 54-20 in 2009. Slippery Rock came out of the gate with momentum, and the Chargers could not keep up. The Chargers' defense was the focal point as they gave up a season-high

526 yards. They also gave up a season-high eight touchdowns.

The scoring started in the first quarter when Slippery Rock took over on downs on their own 27-yard line after a long New Haven drive. They went 73 yards and scored on a three-yard run by running back Wes Hills, his first of three touchdowns of the day.

After a three and out by the Chargers, Slippery Rock took control again, and closed out the first quarter and opening up the second with another touchdown, for a 14-0 lead. 2018 NE-10 MVP Ajee Patterson took over on his own 23-yard line and took the Chargers down field. After

five completions for 68 yards, Patterson called his own number, and ran for a five-yard touchdown to cut the deficit to 14-7.

After another touchdown by Slippery Rock, the Chargers were able to answer with a field goal to bring it to 21-10 with 2:58 to play in the first half. Slippery Rock was able to score again, and pushed New Haven's deficit to 28-10. With 57 seconds left in the first half, Slippery Rock got the ball again, capping off the first half 35-10. Slippery Rock received the ball to start the second half and continued their dominance. In under four minutes, Slippery Rock gained 73

yards in eight plays, pushing the deficit to 42-10.

After eight plays for 69 yards, Patterson a scored on a four-yard run to give the Chargers a fighting chance. New Haven was able to score one more field goal before Slippery Rock scored their

final touchdown to seal the win.

New Haven finished the season 9-3 overall and 8-1 in the NE-10 Conference. The eight conference wins were the most for the Chargers since the 2012 season.



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Men's Basketball Remains on Top

BY ANTHONY GANGEMI
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After beginning their season with three straight blow-out victories, the New Haven Men's Basketball team (4-0) squeaked by a pesky Concordia (2-3) team by a score of 74-70. Sophomore Derrick Rowland capped another all-around game with two clutch free throws in the final seconds to secure the Chargers fourth straight victory and keep their undefeated dream alive.

Junior, Elijah Bailey anchored the Chargers offense, as he led the way with 21 points. Bailey's third straight game in double figures.

Fellow juniors: Kessly Felizor and Roy Kane Jr. joined Bailey in double figure scoring with 13 and 11 point respectively.

Rowland had an off game from field, only shooting 36 percent from the field including 0-5 from beyond the arc. However, he still contributed solid game time, pulling down seven boards while also leading the team with a game high seven assists.

Felizor was especially impressive, making 75 percent of his shots, and finishing the night only one rebound shy of a double-double. As a team, New Haven made 45.8 percent of their shots, however they were only making a disappointing 30 percent from downtown.

New Haven led for almost the entire first half, with their only deficit coming at 15:18, after which the Chargers went on a 7-0 scoring to regain a 12-6 lead. Bailey ignited the run with the first three of the game for either side and overall was superb,

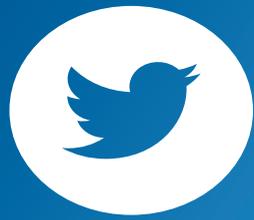
scoring 16 of his 21 points in the first half.

The largest lead of the half was eight, in favor of New Haven, and came within the final minutes, after Felizor scored back to back buckets. New Haven would go into halftime with a 38-32 lead, their lowest halftime lead of the season thus far.

Concordia came out firing to the start the second half, outscoring New Haven 16-8 in the first five minutes and taking a 48-46 lead with 14 minutes remaining. Concordia took advantage of second chances, as they dominated

on the offensive glass with four boards and were able to convert on two three pointers during this mini-stretch. New Haven regained the lead with just over ten minutes left to play, and even built it back up to seven with five minutes remaining, however, Concordia refused to give in.

Concordia managed to slowly chip away and cut the deficit down to two with 1:20 remaining. From there it was a game of free-throws, and luck for the Chargers, eventually Rowland came to the line and hit two to win the game.



STUDENT TWEETS OF THE WEEK



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Following

took a nap after thanksgiving dinner and it ended up lasting longer than planned. I just woke up in a total panic because I think I missed dessert

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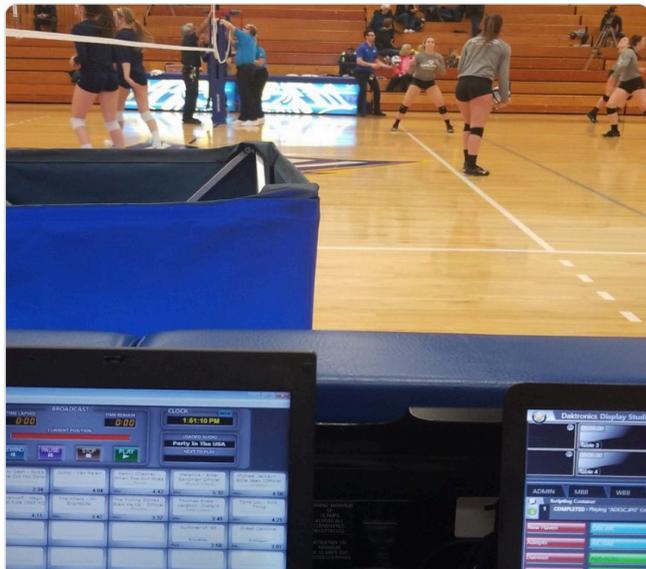
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Tips On Getting Grad School Ready

BY KAILEY FESHLER
MULTIMEDIA EDITOR

Applying to graduate school can be stressful. However, offices around college campuses, including the University of New Haven, offer services and advice to students as application season is underway.

The Career Development Center (CDC) is in the process of working on a video project to advise students on how to prepare for graduate school. One of the first things the CDC advises is to know your career goal. Research the career path that you are interested in, and understand the different degrees needed to pursue it. This is crucial in understanding the other materials needed in the process.

Give yourself enough time to prepare. The CDC recommends that you begin one year prior to your intended start date of graduate school. This includes inquiring about financial aid. The earlier you apply to the school, the more access you may have to different apprenticeships and fellowships that could offer you additional financial aid.

One of the biggest challenges of applying to graduate school is entrance exams, such as the GRE, MCAT, or LSAT. Entrance exams aren't

required for all graduate programs at institutions. Make sure you research the school you're applying to and find out if an entrance exam is a requirement.

Aside from the entrance exams, your personal statement is one of the most important factors of an application. This statement should be an essay that is focused on why you are interested in pursuing graduate school and the importance that you pursue your degree at that specific university.

"This is a very important opportunity for you to market yourself for that specific school," said Kathy Forkin, assistant director of career preparation programs at the CDC.

Letters of recommendation allow admissions counselors to understand how other people perceive you and your work ethic. In order to gather a strong set of recommenders, build secure academic relationships with professors and faculty early as an undergraduate, that way you can ask them for letters of recommendation further down the road. Building these relationships is important because the recommender must know you well enough to write an effective letter.

Broaden your options of different universities and apply to several of them.

Of course, the number of schools you apply to will depend on the program you are pursuing. On average, try to apply to three to six different programs. This gives you more options while still being aware of the fees that are associated with the applications, along with your own personal budget.

"Research each graduate school that you are applying to and find out if there is any other [financial] applications that they require," said associate director of financial aid at the University of New Haven, Jeff Pietrangeli.

Do your best to not wait until the last minute to gather these materials; admissions counselors will know and it could have a negative impact on your ability to be admitted to the program.

Applying to graduate school is stressful, but it's also exciting. Follow these steps, prepare yourself, and use offices around campus for additional assistance. The Career Development Center, located in the BSAC, is open Monday-Friday, as well as some weekends. Make an appointment and get assistance to best prepare you for this process. For any additional questions regarding applying to graduate school, you can email careerdevelopmentcenter@newhaven.edu.