

**University of Connecticut**  
**All in Democracy Challenge 2016**

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**Meeting dates:** August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 and September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Goals of the Committee:**

- Enhance and engage student turnout for local and national elections.
- Increase voter registration on campus which will be measured by the NSLVE.
- Educate the student body on the registration process as well as the importance of civic engagement.
- Provide opportunities to students that promote democracy and civil discourse.

**List of Initiatives:** It is important to note that this list is not inclusive of all democratic engagements and educational events on campus but rather events that were planned by the above coalition.

What	When	Where	Overview
College Debate 16 and student delegate	September 6-7	Dominican University	Caitlin Briody, student delegate attended as a representative of UConn. In a series of sessions, the delegates will identify the top issues that resonate with college students across the country and need to be addressed by the next President and other elected officials. They will generate a list questions to be voted upon by the delegates in the Town Hall.
Celebrate Constitution Day	Friday, Sept. 16 <sup>th</sup>	Konover Auditorium	Review of the 2nd Amendment: A Historic and Current Day Presentation and Discussion from the Student Perspective Moderated by: UConn Political Science Professor and Constitution Expert Kimberly Bergendahl, Ph.D. in collaboration with POLS: 3807 - Constitutional Rights and Liberties
Presidential Debate Watch Party	Monday, Sept. 26 <sup>th</sup> 8:45-10pm	Next Gen Forum	Watch the first Presidential Debate while playing debate bingo and eating snacks.
National Voter Registration Day	Tuesday, Sept. 27 <sup>th</sup>	Hilltop Dorms	Voter education and registration drive with hilltop dorm community
National Voter Registration Day #myctvote	All day	Campus Wide	Uconn will collaborate with SOS social media campaign #myctvote Selfies and posts will include signage and the #myctvote
Presidential Debate Watch Party	Sunday, Oct. 8 <sup>th</sup> 8:30-10:00pm	AACC (Student Union 407)	Watch the second Presidential Debate while participating in non-partisan activities. Snacks will be served.
Voter Registration and Education Drive	Tuesday, October 18 <sup>th</sup>	FYE Classes	
Presidential Debate Watch Party	Wednesday, Oct. 19 <sup>th</sup> 8:45-10pm	Rainbow Center (Student Union 403)	Watch the second Presidential Debate while participating in non-partisan activities. Snacks will be served.
Voter Registration Drive	Thursday, October 20 <sup>th</sup>	South Campus Dining Hall	

Bring It to the Table	Tuesday, Oct. 25 <sup>th</sup> 7-9pm	Dodd Center, Konover Auditorium	This event is a dialogue session viewing the documentary <i>Bring it to the Table</i> . This program aims to bridge political divides and promote the conversation about national issues that affect us all
Voter Registration and Education Drive	Wednesday, October 26 <sup>th</sup>	FYE Classes	
Poll Party	Tuesday, November 8 <sup>th</sup> , all day	Fairfield Way-all day	Various student organizations and departments will be outside encouraging students to get to the polls. Transportation will be provided throughout the day to students to get to the local polling station.
Viewing Party	Tuesday, November 8 <sup>th</sup> 6pm-12am	African American Cultural Center	Food, games, and activities will be provided for students to drop by and watch the results of the polls throughout the night.