

Dear UConn Faculty, Friends and Administrators:

I hope you are doing well and that you have enjoyed the end of the spring semester.

Our Teach For America recruitment season has finally settled down a bit and we are on the verge of sending our new corps members off to their regions and training institutes to begin a two-year commitment teaching children in low-income communities. I want to extend my sincere thanks to you for your continued support in our recruitment efforts at the University of Connecticut this year; we saw some incredible results and we absolutely could not have achieved that success without your help.

After leading Teach For America's recruitment efforts on campus this year, I am proud to say that eleven UConn seniors have joined the 2008 corps, and they will be working to eliminate educational inequity in regions around the United States. The following students have chosen to teach for America:

Jessica LaFaurie	Brittany Dorn
Samantha Sherwood (Honors)	Kara DiPinto
Steve Ferketic (Honors)	Erin Sippel
Robert May (Honors)	Christian Arsenault (Honors)
Vinita Dora (Honors)	Monoswita Saha (Honors)
Kate Esposito (Honors)	

Across the country, the organization as a whole saw similar success, garnering nearly 25,000 applications from college seniors, graduate students, and professionals – our largest applicant pool ever, demonstrating a 37% increase over last year. In just a few weeks, Teach For America will send 3,700 corps members to our most underserved school districts around the country, impacting the lives of more than 315,000 children in our nation's low-income communities. *The New York Times* ran an article last month about the amazing growth of Teach For America this year, and I hope you'll have a chance to read it: ["Teach For America sees big growth in 2008"](#).

It is only with the support of faculty members, alumni and administrators like you that Teach For America can provide the opportunity for all children in our country to receive an excellent education. I am enormously grateful for your support, and I look forward to working with you during the 2008-2009 academic year.

Best,
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