



Student Groups

Rationale

A policy that outlines the responsibilities and benefits of Student Groups and protects the interests of both SAMU and its approved Student Groups by mandating their responsible creation and administration.

Definitions

Student Groups refers to any group which has received SAMU approval to operate as a collective of students engaged in an interest-based or academic manner. Student Groups encompasses any of the following titles; Clubs, Organizations, Alliance, Fellowship, Outreach, Circle, Chapter, Network or Grad Committees.

Grad Committee refers to a group created for the sole purpose of fundraising to execute activities and events pertaining to graduating classes.

Expectations

- 1** The existence and activities of Student Groups must not impose a legal liability, damage the interests, or negatively impact the reputation of SAMU.
- 2** Student Group activities are subject to SAMU approval.
- 3** Student Groups ensure that their membership is composed of current SAMU Members.
- 4** Student Groups maintain only those financial banking resources that are within SAMU control.
- 5** Student Groups are responsible for compiling and submitting an annual report to the Student Groups Manager by May 31st of each year.
- 6** Student Groups receive benefits including:
 - 6.1** the opportunity to apply for grants to support operations and event initiatives;
 - 6.2** assistance with student group administration, including financial management, event planning and promotion; and
 - 6.3** assistance in obtaining resources from MacEwan University.



Fact Sheet

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February 20, 2019: *Student Groups* approved by Students' Council motion 2019-02-20-7.2 on the recommendation of the Bylaws and Policy Committee to take effect July 1, 2019. Source material drawn from the *Clubs* policy. Clubs renamed 'Student Groups' to be more inclusive of all the various groups on campus.

November 16, 2022: *Student Groups* approved by Students' Council motion 2022-11-16-7.11 on the recommendation of Executive Committee. Updated requirement to require that all Student Group members are current SAMU members.