



## **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 the majority of their membership is composed of current MacEwan University students.
- 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 31<sup>st</sup> 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.