

Student Organization Categories

DePaul University has 350 registered student organizations that provide numerous opportunities for students to be involved on campus. Choose a category below to learn more about the organizations' description and the category coordinator that works with student organizations in that category. For more information regarding the student organization categories, please contact the respective Category Coordinator or Student Involvement at studentorgs@depaul.edu

Academic/Pre-Professional

Academic and Pre-professional organizations are student organizations and/or local chapters of national organizations often related to specific academic discipline and/or career path to support and enhance the academic goals of the university. Some organizations may receive direct support from an academic department on campus. Academic & Pre-Professional organizations are eligible to receive SAF-B funding.

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Activist & Political

Activist & Political student organizations are student organizations focused on bringing about social, political, economic, or environmental change. Political based organizations primarily focus on a specific political party or issue and promote/educate around political views. Activist & Political student organizations are eligible to receive SAF-B funding.

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Club Sports

Club Sports are student organizations that provide opportunities for students with common interests to participate and compete in a variety of activities. The organizations represent the club sport community offered through Campus Recreation. Club Sport student organizations are approved through the Club Sports Office. Additional requirements and approvals are required for Club Sport affiliated groups. Club Sport student organizations are limited to only selecting "club sport" as a category during the registration process. Club Sport organizations are not eligible to receive SAF-B funding.

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Community Service/Engagement

Community service student organizations include organizations that mainly focus on providing community service to the campus and community. Organizations in this category can be classified within the Division of Mission and Ministry (DePaul Community Service Association – DCSA) or work to provide community service through their own means. Additional requirements and approvals are required for DCSA affiliated groups. Being a DCSA affiliated group provides Vincentians in Action leadership formation, community partner support, and eligibility for DMM funding. Service student organizations are eligible to receive SAF-B funding, but only DCSA affiliated groups are eligible for DMM funding.

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Cultural

Cultural student organizations are self-defined groups of people who share a commonality of cultural experience. Cultural organizations may be defined by many types of commonality, such as race, ethnicity, religion, or physical commonality. Cultural groups offer a lively social and educational environment for students, and promote preserving cultural heritage and identity. These organizations work to promote unity and cultural awareness to the college community. Cultural student organizations are eligible to receive SAF-B and CAF-B funding.

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Departmental

Departmental student organizations are student organizations that are supported and funded through their associated department. These groups are recognized by their university department. These student organizations may also be organizations that are chartered by the Division of Student Affairs. Departmental student organizations have significant oversight by university faculty and staff. Departmental student organizations are limited to only selecting “departmental” as a category during the registration process. Departmental student organizations are not eligible to receive SAF-B funding.

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Entertainment & Performance

Entertainment student organizations are student organizations that provide campus with a variety of forms of entertainment (including student sponsored entertainment events and programs) and provides the opportunity to allow students to express their creativity in various capacities. Entertainment & Performance student organizations are eligible to receive SAF-B funding.

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Esports & Gaming

Esports and Gaming are student organizations that host competitive and casual gaming, tournaments, viewing parties and all things Esports. Affiliated groups compete in the BIG EAST Conference. Esports & Gaming student organizations are eligible to receive SAF-B Funding.

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Fraternity & Sorority Life

Fraternity and Sorority Life student organizations only include chapters from Interfraternity Council (IFC), Multicultural Greek Council (MGC), National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC), or Panhellenic Council (PHC). Fraternity & Sorority Life organizations are eligible to receive SAF-B funding. NPHC & MGC are eligible for CAF-B funding.

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Graduate Student Organizations

Graduate Student Organizations are student organizations that provide a benefit or service to graduate students at DePaul and should be open for any graduate student to join. Graduate student organizations are groups that have 75% of members within a graduate program at DePaul. Graduate student organizations are eligible to receive Graduate Organization Funding.

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Honor Societies

Honor Societies are student organizations that recognize students who excel academically or as leaders among their peers, often with a specific academic discipline or affiliation with a university department. Membership in honor societies are typically based on GPA. Honor Societies are eligible to receive SAF-B funding.

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Law

Law student organizations are organizations directly associated with the College of Law to encourage professional development outside of the classroom in specific law interest areas. Law student organizations receive direct support from College of Law staff and administrators. Law student organizations are limited to only selecting “law” as a category during the registration process. Law student organizations are ineligible to receive SAF-B funding, but are eligible to receive funding from the College of Law’s SBA. In addition, law student organizations are eligible to receive Graduate Organization Funding.

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Media & Publications

Media & Publication student organizations are groups that exist in order to provide information related to their purpose through means of mass communication, such as newspapers, magazines, film, radio or television, whose mission/purpose further the content knowledge or experience for these areas. Media & Publication student organizations are eligible to receive SAF-B funding.

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Special Interest

Special Interest student organizations are organizations with a wide range of purposes that encourages interest in a topic not necessarily related to other categories. These student organizations are groups that encourage social interaction around a shared interest or theme. Special Interest student organizations are limited to only selecting "special interest" as a category during the registration process. Special Interest student organizations are eligible to receive SAF-B funding.

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Spiritual/Religious

Spiritual/Religious student organizations (SROs) are groups that focus on supporting and nurturing students' spiritual and faith life based on the shared beliefs of each group. Spiritual/Religious organizations (SROs) provide students with an opportunity for spiritual or religious engagement. All religious or spiritual groups on campus must be classified as a Spiritual/Religious group (through OSI registration process), and are limited to only selecting "spiritual/religious" during the registration process. These groups are eligible to receive SAF-B funding and because they are also classified as Spiritual/Religious with the Division of Mission and Ministry (DMM), they are also eligible for DMM funding.

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