Student Clubs and Organizations

I. Policy Statement and Purpose

Student clubs and organizations are recognized by the University when their goals, purposes, activities and programs are likely to contribute to the educational, professional, civic, or social development of the student members of the organization, the University community, and the mission of the University in general. However, as members of the University community, advisors and students members of student clubs and organizations have certain responsibilities related to the activities and conduct of the organization. This policy and the rules in the Student Clubs and Organizations Handbook are established to ensure that clubs and organizations are officially recognized, and, once recognized, that they act in accordance with other University policies and procedures.

This policy applies to all officers, members and advisors of clubs or organizations officially recognized by the University.

II. Student Members of Clubs and Organizations

Student officers and members of recognized clubs or organizations must abide by the rules of the Student Clubs and Organizations Handbook and applicable University policies, regulations, and guidelines as they relate to the organization’s activities and events. In addition, students must abide by the responsibilities and provisions defined in the Student Code of Conduct and Disciplinary Procedures.

III. Advisors for Clubs and Organizations

Each student club or organization is required to have at least one full-time University faculty or staff member serving as an advisor. The advisor has responsibility for ensuring that the organization and its members abide by the rules of the Student Clubs and Organizations Handbook and applicable University policies, regulations, and guidelines as they relate to the organization’s activities and events.

IV. Responsibility for this Operating Policy

Policy Owner

As part of the initial approval of this policy by the President and subsequent to the original dissemination of the policy, the President has assigned the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Support Services as the policy owner for the ongoing evaluation, review, and approval of this policy. Subsequent reviews and revisions to this policy must be in accordance with approved operating policy procedures and processes.
This policy will be reviewed every three years or more frequently as needed.

Responsibility for Policy Implementation

The President has assigned the responsibility of implementing this policy to the Director of Campus and Community Engagement under the direction of the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Support Services.