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Student Organization Funding Opportunities 2022-2023



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All Student Organization Funding processes and requests are reviewed/managed by the Student Organizations Commission and the Finance Commission of the UW-Eau Claire Student Senate.

1. Student Organization Segregated Fee Funding Requests

Organizations interested in receiving **segregated fee funding** through Student Senate must submit their application materials (online application available on Blugold Connect+ starting **November 1st**) to the Student Organizations Commission by the established deadline **February 3, 2023**) Once the application materials are submitted, Student Senate will verify that the organization is eligible to receive funding. In order to be eligible for funding, organizations must be an officially recognized student organization in good standing for the previous full semester (example: if your organization was approved Fall 2022 you are eligible to apply for funding).

If an organization has been deemed eligible to receive funding, the organization will then sign up for a presentation time to present their budget to the Student Organizations Commission at a budget hearing in early to mid-March. The Student Organizations Commission will make a recommendation to the Finance Commission. The Finance Commission may either approve or deny the recommendation. If the Finance Commission does not agree with the recommendation of the Student Organizations Commission, the requesting organization may be called in to provide further explanation of the budget request. The final budgets will be presented to Student Senate for final approval. **Approved funding will be available July 1.**

All funding allocated through student segregated fees must follow the guidelines as outlined in [UW System Financial Paper 820](#). **Please note that organizations may only request up to 5% of the total Student Organization Segregated Fee Funding budget which is approximately \$40,000 each fiscal year.**

2. Special Allocation Requests

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Only organizations that have been deemed eligible to receive student segregated fee money may request a special allocation (online application available on Blugold Connect+.) Student organizations that have not been deemed eligible must co-sponsor the event with an eligible student organization or department in order to receive funding. Special allocations requests must meet three criteria:

1. The project must benefit the campus community
2. The project must be a **one-time event** (events will not be funded multiple times through special allocation)
3. The project must attempt to economize expenses

Student organizations interested in requesting a special must complete the online application available on Blugold Connect+. The Finance Committee will review the request and either approve or deny, the process will take approximately 3 weeks. Approved allocations will then go to Student Senate for a vote. Funding becomes available immediately. Funding allocated through a special allocation must follow all UW system restrictions on segregated fees.

3. Spring Student Organization Re-Distribution of Funds Program

Student organizations must spend 90% of their **current** allocation or alert the Student Organizations Commission of their plan to spend the funding, **by the third Monday of March** of the current allocation year. If a student organization does not follow either of these requirements, their funding will be moved into the Re-Distribution of Funds system. Student organizations in good standing should follow these steps to ensure they qualify and to apply:

1. Student Organizations in good standing can apply for additional funding. **Important note: This funding can only be used until June 30th of the current fiscal year.**
2. Funding applications (available online via Blugold Connect+) will be open during the **third week of March for seven days.**
3. The Student Organizations Commission will meet to review all applications at the next commission meeting following the form closing. Quorum must be met, and a majority vote is required to pass an allocation.
4. All UW system restrictions on segregated fees must be followed for redistributed funds/allocations.

Funding Appeals

If an organization is unhappy with a decision made regarding a funding request, they may appeal the decision to the Finance Commission. After appealing to the Finance Commission, if the organization is still unhappy with the outcome, the organization may appeal directly to Student Senate.

For Questions – please contact:

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