

UC Davis Policy and Procedure Manual

Chapter 270, Properties Use and Extracurricular Activities

Section 05, Campus Organizations

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Responsible Department: Offices of the Chancellor and Provost

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[Exhibit A, Constituent Organizations and Student Government](#)

[Exhibit B, Registered Student Organizations](#)

[Exhibit C, Campus Interest Groups](#)

I. Purpose

This section defines the types of campus organizations related to the University and provides policy and campus regulations applicable to these organizations.

This section does not apply to employee organizations (see [Section 380-21](#)).

II. Definitions

- A. Constituent organization—organization recognized by the Chancellor as being responsible to one of the major campus community constituencies (i.e., employees or students). The following are the existing constituent organizations:
1. Academic Senate
 2. Academic Federation
 3. Associated Students of UC Davis (ASUCD)
 4. Graduate Student Association (GSA)
 5. UC Davis Staff Assembly
 6. Postdoctoral Scholars Association
- B. Student government—organization recognized by the Chancellor as an official unit of the University, responsible for representing a student constituency comprising of either the student body as a whole or a segment of it.
1. Only the student governments listed above are considered constituent organizations.
 2. The following are the existing student governments:
 - a. ASUCD
 - b. GSA
 - c. Law Student Association (LSA)
- C. Registered student organization (RSO)—student organization registered with the Center for Student Involvement whose purpose is to promote personal and professional growth, cultivate leadership skills and support experimental learning, academic success and persistence through involvement in charitable, service, social, cultural, artistic, recreational, or educational activities consistent with the educational mission of the University.
- D. Campus interest group—organization registered with Conference and Event Services whose members are associated with the University through employment, student, or alumni status, or as

spouses of employees or students; and that have organized to provide charitable, service, social, artistic, recreational, or educational activities not in conflict with those of the University.

- E. UC Davis support group—organization recognized by the Chancellor that is created and operated in support of institutional interests and has as its purpose the raising of funds or providing of financial or other support for the activities of the campus.
- F. Alumni relations program—activities conducted by the Office of Alumni Relations that are developed and conducted for the benefit of both the Cal Aggie Alumni Association and University; are developed and conducted for the benefit of UC Davis alumni or Association members; or lead to direct support of the University.
 - 1. Alumni group—a group that is organized and operated solely for the benefit of the University and its alumni with a demonstrated geographic or special interest affinity; is recognized by the Cal Aggie Alumni Association; and whose membership consists of UC Davis alumni.
 - 2. Constituency alumni group—a group that, in addition to the requirements provided above, is organized and operated for the benefit of a school, college, department, or other administrative or academic unit, and whose purpose is to provide support to the constituent unit and the alumni of that unit.
- G. Campus recreation student organization—organization recognized by the Department of Campus Recreation and Unions whose purpose is to provide students with opportunities to participate and develop skills in a particular activity of interest and develop leadership skills to enable life-long learning opportunities.

III. Policy

- A. Responsibilities of organizations
 - 1. Organizations must comply with all applicable University and campus rules and regulations and local, State, and Federal laws. Representatives of organizations must become familiar with University and campus policy, rules, and regulations pertaining to their organizations' association with the campus.
 - 2. Failure of an organization or its members to comply with University and campus policy, facility use policy, or standards of conduct may result in revocation of the organization's privileges, recognition, registration, or other appropriate discipline or administrative action.
- B. Use of the University name
 - 1. Constituent organizations, support groups, alumni groups and constituency alumni groups may be permitted, with the Chancellor's approval, to use "University of California, Davis," or an abbreviation thereof, as part of its own name.
 - 2. Any campus organization may use, without prior approval, the University name or an abbreviation thereof as part of its name only to describe location.
 - 3. Any campus organization may use terms such as "campus" or "Davis campus" as part of its own name without approval.
 - 4. A campus organization may state its relationship with the University or that its membership is composed of students, faculty, or staff of the University, but must not indicate or imply that it is acting on behalf of the University without prior specific authorization of the Chancellor.
- C. Nondiscrimination

The University prohibits illegal, arbitrary, or unreasonable discriminatory practices. Campus organizations receiving University privileges, assistance, or supervision must abide by the University's policy on nondiscrimination to qualify for any University privileges or assistance.

IV. Organization Procedures and Regulations

- A. Information regarding constituent organizations and student governments is available in [Exhibit A](#).
- B. Information regarding registered student organizations is available in [University Policies Applying to Campus Activities, Organizations, and Students, Section 70.00](#); and in [Exhibit B](#).
- C. Information regarding campus interest groups is available in [Exhibit C](#).
- D. Information regarding alumni relations programs is available from the [Cal Aggie Alumni Association](#).
- E. Information regarding Sport Clubs is available from the [Department of Campus Recreation and Unions](#).

V. References and Related Policies

- A. [UC Policies Applying to Campus Activities, Organizations, and Students](#).
- B. [Center for Student Involvement: Student Organization Guidelines](#).
- C. [Office of Student Judicial Affairs: Administration of Student Discipline](#).
- D. [UC Davis Policy & Procedure Manual](#):
 - 1. Section 270-16, Fund Raising on University Property.
 - 2. Section 270-20, Use and Reservation of University Properties/Event Arrangements.
 - 3. Section 270-21, Sales, Service, and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages.
 - 4. Section 270-25, Commercial Activities.
 - 5. Section 270-50, Alumni Relations Programs.
 - 6. Section 270-60, UCD Support Groups.
 - 7. Section 280-15, Compulsory Campus-based Student Fees and Referendum Elections
 - 8. Section 310-25, Distribution of Information and Literature.
 - 9. Section 310-27, Posting of Information.
 - 10. Section 310-65, Use of the University's Name, Seal, and Other Trademarks.
 - 11. Section 330-09, Agency Account Services.
 - 12. Section 330-43, Official University Bank Accounts.
 - 13. Section 400-01, Freedom of Expression.
- E. [UC Davis Principles of Community](#).
- F. [University of California Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action Policy Regarding Academic and Staff Employment](#).
- G. [Nondiscrimination Policy Statement for University of California Publications Regarding Student-Related Matters](#).