LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Becoming a Registered Student Organization

Getting Started
1. Pick up a Becoming a Registered Student Organization packet from the Office of Student Activities to begin the process.
2. Each organization must secure a full time faculty or staff member to serve as an advisor to the organization.
3. Completely fill out and sign the Application for Registration of a New Student Organization.
4. Compose a full constitution and by-laws for the organization.
5. The faculty or staff advisor must review the constitution and sign the application.
6. Obtain at least five signatures with phone numbers, addresses and email addresses of students who would like to join the organization.
7. No new organizations can be registered after April 1 of each year.

Becoming Registered
1. Submit to the assistant director of student activities:
   a. Application for Registration of a New Student Organization.
   b. Organizational constitution and by-laws complete with mission statement, membership requirements, voting procedures, etc.
   c. Include, if applicable, a copy of your national organization’s constitution and bylaws.
   d. Please submit a hard copy and an electronic copy of your constitution and bylaws.
2. The assistant director of student activities and/or the assistant dean of students will review your information and contact you with any questions.
3. Any changes or modifications that must be made to submitted documents must be completed within two weeks of their return to you.
4. After review, your information will be passed on to the Student Life Committee for review.
5. If approved, the Office of Student Activities will be in contact with the designated leader of your newly registered organization.
6. If not approved, you have the right to appeal. If the Student Life Committee does not approve your application, you may appeal in writing to the assistant director of student activities within two weeks of the decision. The appeal process would involve the Student Life Committee Chair forwarding your registration packet to the faculty for further discussion and a vote.
7. After final registration approval, the Student Life Committee will report to the faculty and to the Student Forum that a new student organization has been registered. The assistant director of student activities will send out an email to make the campus community aware that there is a new organization.
Faculty Committees with Student Representation

**Athletics Committee**
This committee develops and oversees policies for athletics, especially intercollegiate varsity sports. (two students selected by the Student Athlete Advisory Committee, the director of athletics and five faculty members appointed by the academic dean)

**College Assessment/Institutional Report Committee**
This committee leads efforts to assess student learning in academic departments and effective operations elsewhere. Membership includes the president, as chair, each vice president, the director of institutional research and the two faculty from the Faculty Assessment Committee. (two students selected by the Student Senate)

**Convocation Committee**
This committee is responsible for selecting convocation programs for the academic year. (six students selected by the Student Senate, six faculty members and a representative from the Office of Academic Affairs)

**Educational Policies Committee**
All academic policy matters must clear this committee before they are acted upon by the faculty. It acts on recommendations from departments and divisions. This committee reviews all student and faculty petitions and considers other matters of educational policy. The committee recommends educational policies to the faculty. (one student selected by the Student Senate, three faculty members, one from each of the three divisions, one faculty member appointed by the academic dean, a representative from the Office of Academic Affairs and the registrar or the assistant registrar)

**Institutional Review Board**
This committee ensures the ethical treatment of all human and nonhuman vertebrate subjects in research and teaching. It establishes guidelines for use and treatment of research subjects, reviews research and teaching plans that involve the use of live subjects. (one student, four faculty members and two community members)

**Resource Advisory Committee**
This committee considers policies and budget issues concerning the Schewe Library and the College’s information technology. The committee also serves as an appeals board should faculty appeal decisions by the academic dean regarding funds for faculty travel and course enrichment. (one student selected by the Student Forum, three faculty, one from each division, one faculty member elected by the divisional representatives, one librarian and the chief information officer)

**Student Life Committee**
This committee considers policy matters that relate to student extra-curricular activities and organizations, student societies and student behavior, as well as religious life. (five students selected by the Student Senate, five faculty members appointed by the academic dean, plus the dean and assistant dean of students)

**Teacher Preparation Committee**
The committee serves the undergraduate teacher licensure program. The committee develops policies for admission to the program, continuation in the program, completion of the program and curriculum in the program that blends the College’s liberal arts traditions with the licensure rules of the Illinois State Board of Education. In addition, the committee hears student appeals on matters of program policy. The committee is composed of the early childhood/elementary/secondary/K-12 program coordinators, the director of clinical experiences, the director of the Campus Writing Center, diversity consultants, two members of the professional teaching community, the academic dean of the College and two students (and one alternate) selected by the education department and approved by the committee.
Student Activities Board (SAB)

The Illinois College Student Activities Board (SAB) is an organization consisting of six student-run sub-committees dedicated to providing a wide variety of programs geared toward the entire Illinois College community. In addition to the entertainment SAB provides, the students involved gain valuable leadership experiences and new skills that can be applied in the classroom and in a career.

Organization of the Student Activities Board

:: Executive Officer: The president of SAB is selected by the SAB advisor and the previous year’s SAB president following an application and interview process. The SAB president is responsible for selecting the SAB Executive Council, proposing a yearly budget, presiding over the executive council meetings and acting as the major student spokesperson and representative of the SAB executive council and the SAB in all cases.

:: Social Media and Marketing Intern: This position provides marketing and promotional support for a variety of programs coordinated by SAB.

:: Business Analyst/Finance Intern: This position balances the SAB budget and allocates funds to the different areas. They process all transactions, contracts, check/cash requests and reimbursements. They also track and analyze involvement, attendance numbers to inform future planning.

:: Executive Council: The SAB president and advisor select the executive council consisting of interns to lead the six sub-committees: Entertainment, Impact, Music and Dance, Recreation and Leisure, Special Events and Travel. The executive council members are responsible for planning bi-weekly sub-committee meetings to obtain SAB’s goals and objectives, developing the leadership skills of their committee members, retaining information about events and programs planned by their committees and conducting evaluations of each program.

:: Committee Members: All current students are welcome to become general members of the SAB organization at any time during the semester. General member duties consist of actively serving on at least one SAB sub-committee, regularly attending committee and all-SAB meetings and working towards the overall betterment of the Student Activities Board and campus programming.

Standing Committees

The following is a list of SAB standing sub-committees and their functions:

:: Entertainment: Responsible for comedians, films, hypnotists, mentalists/magicians and novelty programs.

:: Impact: Responsible for educational, yet entertaining, speakers and events that relate to today’s modern issues.

:: Music and Dance: Responsible for planning a variety of musical events including concerts, dances and/or coffeehouse singers.

:: Recreation and Leisure: Responsible for local activities as well as providing support to other campus events (bowling nights, spa days, free concessions passes at athletic events).

:: Special Events: Responsible for bringing a variety of special yearly events to campus (Family Weekend, Holiday Dinner, Siblings Overnight, etc.).

:: Travel: Responsible for planning off-campus trips and outings (sporting events, recreation, etc.).

It is the goal of the Student Activities Board to plan entertaining and educational events for the campus community. If you have any questions, concerns or comments regarding the organization or programs please stop by the Center for Student Involvement to speak with a SAB representative.
The student government body at Illinois College is called Student Senate. Student Senate presides over and subsidizes a majority of the student groups, clubs and organizations that are on campus.

Student Senate shall attempt to reflect student opinion on basic and important issues of College life and will act as a representative of the student body at all times working to promote the best interest of the students within the larger context of the Illinois College community.

**Organization of Senate**

:: Executive Officers: The president and vice president election (run on the same ticket) is held exactly one week before the general election and shall be held in the spring semester between Spring Break and the last meeting of the current Senate. The president nominates the secretary and treasurer from the student senators and the legislative body approves them.

:: Executive Board - president, vice president and the appointed treasurer and secretary: The president acts as the chief executive officer, is responsible for organizing and presiding over Senate meetings and other events and serves as the chief representative of Senate and the student body to the administration, Illinois College Board of Trustees and outside organizations. The vice president fulfills the duties of the president in the president's absence, coordinates the activities of all Senate standing committees and acts as the chief parliamentarian of Senate. The treasurer records, monitors and organizes the expenses and revenues of Senate, creates and presents the budget with the president and ensures that Senate abides by Student Senate finance policies. The secretary supplies detailed minutes of the proceedings of Senate meetings, maintains an accurate file of all Senate activities and prepares and supplies copies of the Senate meeting materials.

:: Legislative Body: Each class has six senators, all elected in general election as class senators by their respective classes. There are two class officers (class chair and class vice chair) for each class. The class chair is nominated by the president and approved by the legislative body. The class chair can select their own class vice chair. The general election is held between Spring Break and the last meeting of the current Senate, one week after the presidential election.

**Standing Committees**

The following is a list of Student Senate standing committees and their functions:

:: Finance: Budgets all student organization monies, responsible for the allocation process and orders and conducts audits of student organization fees/monies as it sees fit. Presents the annual budget and ensures that both the Student Senate and student organizations abide by the finance by-laws.

:: Organization Outreach Committee: Acts as the liaison between Senate and student organizations, works with the finance committee and the vice president to
prepare and update the Legacy Binder each year, contacts organizations to keep the Senate updated on their activities and assists new organizations with building membership and becoming a successful organization in the Illinois College community.

:: Public Relations Committee: Works to improve relations and dialogue between the student body and the Senate, educates the student body about Senate activities through advertising, promoting and other means, holds elections on the dates and times set by the executive board, handles faculty and staff-person nominations and updates Connect2 and other social media pages and resources.

:: Student Life Committee: Serves as an advocate for students with regard to dining standards and policies, works in conjunctions with the Office of Residential Life to improve and maintain conditions of residence halls and serves as an advocate for residents within the residence halls. Works to improve the campus life of students at Illinois College. Any member of the Illinois College community is welcome to attend Student Senate meetings as a nonvoting member. Any questions, comments or concerns are welcome in the Senate mail box 811.

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Participation in clubs and organizations helps to round out students’ college experiences by sharpening their organizational, leadership and communication skills. Contact the Office of Student Activities at 245.3094 for more information on any of the following organizations.
Student Organizations

Campus Wide Programming/Governing

:: Student Activities Board (SAB): The Illinois College Student Activities Board (SAB) is an organization consisting of student-run sub-committees dedicated to providing a wide variety of programs geared toward the entire Illinois College community. SAB also plans the many activities that take place during homecoming week including the pep rally, formal dance, follies and more. In addition to the entertainment SAB provides, the students involved gain valuable leadership, new skills and great friends.

:: Student Senate: The student government body at IC is called Student Senate. Student Senate attempts to reflect student opinion on basic and important issues of college life and will act as a representative of the student body at all times working to promote the best interest of the students within the larger context of the Illinois College community.

Civic Engagement

:: American Cancer Society – Colleges Against Cancer: The purpose of this group is to foster a nationwide collaboration of college students, faculty and staff dedicated to eliminating cancer by initiating and supporting programs of the American Cancer Society at Illinois College.

:: Amnesty International: This organization strives to educate and advocate for human rights, end human rights violations internationally and organize campaigns to rescue individuals at risk.

:: Best Buddies: Best Buddies provides an opportunity for IC students to be matched in a one-to-one friendship with individuals who have intellectual and developmental disabilities.

:: Circle K Club: The Circle K Club focuses on leadership development and co-educational service through civic engagement activities.

:: Illinois College Environmentalists (ICE): In order to increase awareness of environmental issues, ICE shall exist to educate and serve the Jacksonville and Illinois College communities.

:: OXFAM Club at Illinois College: OXFAM aims to construct and carry out projects and initiatives focused on alleviating poverty, hunger and social injustice on both the international and local levels.

:: Peer Health Educators (PHE): The Peer Health Educators promote healthy lifestyles and wellness by providing educational and social activities.

:: Rotaract Club of Illinois College: The purpose of this organization is to provide an opportunity for young men and women to enhance the knowledge and skills that will assist them in personal development, to address the physical and social needs of their communities and promote better relations between all people worldwide through a framework of friendship and service.

:: Straights and Gays for Equality (SAGE): SAGE is a student organization whose purpose and passion is to raise awareness of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning (GLBTQ) community; and through various projects build a harmonious community of diversity, unity and acceptance between the gay and straight members of our campus, the surrounding area of central Illinois, and as a collective global initiative.

:: UNICEF: This organization works to enlighten students on the survival, protection and development of children worldwide through advocacy and awareness campaigns. UNICEF at Illinois College strives to provide long-term support to the U.S. Fund for UNICEF through events on and off campus and as a UNICEF Campus Initiative group.

Club Sports/Spirit

:: Archery Club: The Archery Club is a student organization focused on the promotion of the sport of archery through meetings, socials, competitions and practices.

:: Cheer Team: The cheer team promotes school spirit at sports events.
:: **Dance Team:** The dance team promotes school spirit by performing dance routines at football and basketball games.

**Cultural/International**

:: **Black Student Union (BSU):** The purpose of the Black Student Union shall be the education, group unity, business networking, entrepreneurial encouragement and community development of all members as it relates to the education, history and involvement of African Americans.

:: **Coalition for Ethnic Awareness (CEA):** CEA strives to promote cultural awareness across campus through speakers, programs and other community building activities.

**Departmental**

:: **Model United Nations:** The Model UN strives to enrich the knowledge of its members in the arenas of global politics, economics, human welfare and environmental causes.

:: **Student Athletic Advisory Committee (SAAC):** The purpose of the Illinois College Student Athletic Advisory Committee is to bring together student-athletes that are striving to have an impact on the athletic department and campus community. The committee promotes genuine character through teaching the ideals of equality, sportsmanship and public contributions. Further, the organization will promote Division III awareness and vote on Division III mandates.

:: **TheatreWorks:** This campus theatre organization produces three mainstage productions annually with the auditions open to all students, faculty and staff.

**Honorary**

:: **Alpha Kappa Delta** is the departmental chapter of the sociological national honorary society.

:: **Alpha Psi Omega** is the departmental chapter of the theatre national honorary society.

:: **Beta Beta Beta** is the departmental chapter of the biology national honorary society.

:: **Delta Mu Delta** is the departmental chapter of the business national honorary society.

:: **Iota Iota Iota** is the departmental chapter of the gender and women’s studies national honorary society.

:: **Kappa Delta Pi** is the departmental chapter of the education national honorary society.

:: **Lambda Pi Eta** is the departmental chapter of the communications national honorary society.

:: **Omicron Delta Epsilon** is the departmental chapter of the economics national honorary society.

:: **Phi Alpha Theta** is the departmental chapter of the history national honorary society.

:: **Phi Beta Kappa** is a national honor society which recognizes high scholarship. Colleges merit a local chapter of Phi Beta Kappa on the basis of their high scholastic attainments. Membership in the society is a mark of distinction.

:: **Phi Sigma Iota** is the departmental chapter of the modern language national honorary society.

:: **Pi Kappa Delta** is the departmental chapter of the speech and debate national honor society.

:: **Psi Chi** is the departmental chapter of the psychology national honorary society.

:: **Sigma Tau Delta** is the departmental chapter of the English national honorary society.

:: **Theta Alpha Kappa** is the department of the religion national honorary society.

**Literary Societies/Service Fraternity**

:: **Alpha Phi Omega (APO):** APO is a national co-ed service fraternity founded in the fellowship principles of the scouting movement. Its members work to develop leadership, promote friendship and provide service.

:: **Chi Beta:** Chi Beta is the youngest of the women’s literary societies but still prides itself on a rich history and many traditions. Founded under the name of Forum in 1920, their purpose was intelligent debate. In 1921, the name was changed to Agora. Finally, in 1934, the name was changed to Chi Beta. During World War II, membership decreased and the society was discontinued, only to be re-founded in 1946 by seven women. In honor of these seven women, the Betas’ literary meetings are started at seven minutes past the hour or half hour. The women of Chi Beta stress friendship, unity and sisterhood within their society.

:: **Gamma Delta:** Gamma Delta was founded in 1911 by Professor Stella L. Cole as the first women’s literary society at Illinois College. The society colors are pink and green, the flower is the red rose and the society
motto is “Crowned with Knowledge, Winged with Power.” Gamma Delta holds these three virtues as the most important in running the society: tradition, creativity and individuality. In addition, Gamma Delta is unique in that they focus on individuality in productions as an integral part of their program. Delts are proud to be involved in many activities on campus and in the community. They are devoted to sisterhood, service and academic pursuits.

:: Gamma Nu: Founded in 1897, Gamma Nu bases its strength upon quality literary productions, brotherhood, organization and diverse social activities for all of Illinois College. The men in red and white continue to work hard together toward self-knowledge and self-development through the pursuit of literary and forensic activities. The Nuers, as they are affectionately called, consider their bonds of brotherhood to be the strongest among the societies.

:: Inter-Society Board (ISB): The women’s Inter-Society board is the governing body for all women’s literary societies. Along with making policy decisions, the women help organize various rush activities culminating with pledging.

:: Inter-Society Council (ISC): The men’s Inter-Society Council is the governing body for all men’s literary societies. ISC’s efforts are to foster a sense of community among the societies through positive interaction and to promote the men’s society system.

:: Phi Alpha: Phi Alpha Literary Society for men was founded in 1845. Today its meeting rooms are in lower Beecher Hall, the oldest college building in the state of Illinois. Abraham Lincoln is an honorary member of Phi Alpha. His values, ethics and determination touch all who pass through Beecher. The men of Phi Alpha have a long-standing commitment to democratic principles, first evident in their spirited discussion of the slavery issue in the early years of the society. The society seeks to broaden young men’s intellectual capacity as well as make lifetime friends through brotherhood.

:: Pi Pi Rho: Pi Pi Rho is the youngest of the four men’s literary societies on the Illinois College campus. They were founded originally in 1929, and re-founded in 1966. The name of the society is derived from the equation of the circle, 2P. This typifies the lasting bond of brotherhood that is built through this wide range of activities: literary meetings, business meetings, athletic competition and informal gatherings. The society motto is “Scholarship, Fellowship, Athletics and Sociability.”

:: Sigma Phi Epsilon: Sigma Phi Epsilon was founded in 1916 by three women: Lucy Gray Gatling, Anne Pescell and Bernice Wheeler. Since then, it has had a long standing tradition of literary excellence, service, academics and sociability. Both on the academic and social fronts, Sigma Phi Epsilon excels. The bond developed in Phips is a circle of friendship that will remain for a lifetime.

:: Sigma Pi: On Saturday, June 24, 1843, Sigma Pi became not only the first literary society at Illinois College, but also one of the very first Greek organizations in the country. Sigma Pi has continued to thrive more than 150 years later. Notable historic figures numbered among its membership include William Jennings Bryan, three time presidential aspirant, and John Wesley Powell, first person to explore the Colorado River. Sigma Pi can claim distinguished alumni in every field of human endeavor from medicine to law to politics.

Music

:: Blue Tie Affair: Illinois College’s premier men’s a cappella ensemble invites you to join them! Blue Tie Affair perfoms various popular and classical styles for campus and sporting events, community groups and other concerts.

:: Chamber Singers: By audition only, the Chamber Singers are an elite group of highly skilled and talented singers with a focus on excellence. The Chamber Singers perform widely for campus events and members serve as ambassadors to the community.

:: Clarinet Ensemble, Brass Ensemble, Woodwind Trio, Flute Choir, etc: True Blue musicians often create voluntary small groups to perform for convocations, recitals and other special events. Students are encouraged to connect with other performers for creative musical experiences.

:: Concert Choir: Open to musicians of all levels, the Illinois College Concert Choir performs a wide range of choral styles. A focus on musical expression and unity make this ensemble a favorite around the community and state. If you’re looking for a place to belong, make new friends and challenge yourself to be more, the IC Concert Choir is for you.
:: **Jacksonville Symphony Chorale:** A community chorus open to area residents. IC students (by audition) may receive Illinois College credit for joining the chorale. The chorale often combines with the symphony orchestra.

:: **Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra:** String players (and other instrumentalists by audition) may receive Illinois College credit for joining the Jacksonville Symphony, a long-standing and acclaimed Jacksonville institution. The Symphony Orchestra performs four concerts per season.

:: **Jazz Ensemble:** The Illinois College Jazz Ensemble features many of our most talented musicians. The group specializes in diverse contemporary styles, such as jazz, swing, blues, rock and Latin music. Members also develop improvisational skills, and the group often breaks into smaller combos with flexible instrumentation.

:: **Pep Band:** The Pep Band is open to all instrumentalists and performs at home football and basketball games, occasionally travelling with the team. Join in and cheer our Lady Blues and Blueboys to victory!

:: **Sapphire:** Illinois College’s premier women's a cappella ensemble invites you to join them! Sapphire performs various popular and classical styles for campus and sporting events, community groups and other concerts.

:: **Wind Ensemble:** Open to all instrumentalists regardless of major, the IC Wind Ensemble is dedicated to ensemble unity while recognizing and nourishing the individual musician. Self discipline, concentration, cooperation and mutual respect are the hallmarks of the group. Frequent tours and local performances highlight the year and members are also invited to perform with the Pep Band at home football and basketball games.

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**Religious**

:: **Brothers and Sisters in Christ (BASIC):** BASIC is a fellowship group that guides members in Christian growth and discipleship.

:: **Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA):** The mission of FCA is to present to athletes and coaches, and all of whom they influence, the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving Him in their relationships and in the fellowship of the church.

:: **Newman Catholic Community:** The members of Newman Catholic Community are dedicated to service on campus and in the community. The group also meets weekly for on-campus Catholic Mass and fellowship.

:: **REIGN:** The purpose of this student group is to promote spiritual and moral growth of the individual student through discipleship, fellowship and worship, as well as develop balanced Christian personalities, foster deeper spiritual growth and intellectual affirmation of faith.

:: **Smooth Stones:** The purpose of the Smooth Stones praise band is to organize and run Christian worship services outside of the normal chapel time.

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**Special Interest**

:: **Accounting Club:** The Accounting Club provides opportunities for students to meet and learn more about the accounting field.

:: **Art Club:** The purpose of the Art Club is to create a supporting community for all levels of artists and people interested in the visual arts.

:: **Chemistry Club:** The Chemistry Club is an organization devoted to educating the community about the exciting field of chemistry, career opportunities and chemistry applications in everyday life.

:: **Computer Club:** Encourages computer science and management information systems students to strive to be creative, enthusiastic and knowledgeable in their lives and academic field.

:: **Entrepreneurial Action and Us (ENACTUS):** This group works to enable progress through entrepreneurial action within the Illinois College and Jacksonville communities.

:: **Focus:** This organization works to promote photography on the Illinois College campus.

:: **French Club:** The French Club strives to engage
students in the French and Francophone culture through meetings, programs and other activities.

:: History of Tomorrow: The History of Tomorrow provides programs, trips and other opportunities that seek to enrich cultural and historical understanding among the Illinois College community.

:: IC Feminists: IC Feminists is an organization that seeks to provide a forum of discussion for gender issues both on campus and off.

:: Investment Club: The Investment Club offers an opportunity to learn and invest with an actual portfolio.

:: OASIS (Outdoor Adventure Club): OASIS promotes adventurous spirit, sponsors alternative outdoor activities including hiking, kayaking, bicycling, etc. and provides outdoor education.

:: Parker After Dark: Provides students who are interested in biology an opportunity to interact, discuss biological subjects and to hear about biological field occupations.

:: Phi Alpha Delta: The purpose of Phi Alpha Delta is to provide students the opportunity to learn about law schools and the profession of law.

:: Pi Club: The Pi Club provides opportunities for students interested in math to develop an understanding of the discipline outside the classroom.

:: Psychology Club: The Psychology Club aims to give students of all majors a chance to learn about the field of psychology (i.e. prospective jobs/careers, internships).

:: Physical Education Club: The purpose of this club is to foster professional development and provide service opportunities for physical educators.

:: Quidditch Club: The purpose of this club is to spread the sport of Quidditch to the IC community while allowing students to engage in social and physical activity in a competitive and energetic environment.

:: Radio Club: The purpose of this club is to provide a radio station for the Illinois College campus in order to further improve communication throughout the campus community.

:: Sociology Club: The Sociology Club works to provide learning experiences that will be educationally illuminating and prepare students for a future in sociology. The club also provides service opportunities and works to inform students of career and summer opportunities in sociology related fields.

:: Student Alumni Association (SAA): SAA connects students and alumni, assists the Office of Development and Alumni Relations and Alumni Board of Directors with alumni activities and prepares students to be future alumni.

:: Tomorrow’s Teachers: This group provides tutoring assistance to area grade school and high school students. All are welcome to join. Students do not need to be education majors to participate.

Student Publications

:: Forté: Forté is a student written and edited literary and art journal.

:: The Hilltop: The Hilltop is the campus yearbook published and distributed in the fall.

:: Rambler: The Rambler is the campus newspaper that is published twice a month.