Wilson Commons Student Activities

We are Wilson Commons Student Activities, a unit in the Office of the Dean of Students. We champion the University’s mission to be a world-class inclusive and diverse community of learners.

Our support of more than 200 student-led organizations exemplifies our commitment to create a vibrant and diverse campus community. We are dedicated to helping student leaders achieve their goals by encouraging them to explore and develop their interests and passions through experiential learning outside the classroom.

Working in partnership with other University departments, we enhance the overall educational experience of students through exposure to and participation in programs that are aligned with the academic goals of the College. We are a clearinghouse of information and resources for student organizations and the University community, and we assist students in forming new clubs and organizations.

Toward this end, we advise the following categories of student organizations: academic honor societies, academic undergraduate councils, awareness, class councils, clubs, cultural, entertainment programming, intercollegiate competition, performing and fine arts, political, pre-professional, publications and media, and student government.

The 13 cultural and 25 performing and fine arts student organizations promote diversity, inclusion, and cultural awareness on and off campus through innovative programming and special events. The Spanish and Latino Student Association’s Tropicana Dinner and Dance, the Black Student Union’s Kwanzaa Dinner, the Chinese Student Association’s China Nite, UR Celtic’s St. Patrick’s Day Celebration, the Korean American Student Association’s Korea Night as well as the Association for the Development of Interest in the Indian Subcontinent’s Mela extravaganza are only a few of the exciting, culturally diverse events our student organizations host. On average, every month more than 5,000 students attend programs and events sponsored by student organizations and Wilson Commons Student Activities.

For more information on student organizations, visit Campus Club Connection at www.sa.rochester.edu/ccc. For more information on Wilson Commons Student Activities, visit www.sa.rochester.edu/sao.