



The Student Organization Insider

April 2024

We are in the home stretch! I love how both our student organizations and Rochester come to life again in the spring. There is the feeling of excitement in the air as so many of you are performing your big spring shows and hosting your end of the year events. It's invigorating! As always, please read this edition of the Insider carefully, as there are many helpful tips on how to end the year successfully – including transitioning new leadership. There was also some good information regarding transition in [last month's edition](#)! Don't forget, the last day to host any activities is Tuesday, April 30th. Good luck on your final academic requirements and be sure to practice self-care as we move through this busy period.

Continue to stay well,

Brian Magee, Interim Director of Student Activities

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Save-the-Dates

One Community Program Nomination Form Due

7 a.m. Tuesday, April 2nd

Budget Appeal Deadline (SAAC)

Friday, April 5th @ 11 a.m.

Budget Appeal Hearing (SAAC)

Tuesday, April 9th & 16th

Express Interest in the Focus Group for Fall & Mid-Year Leadership Training

By Wednesday, April 10th

One Community Program Application Due

Monday, April 15th

Class of 2024 Senior Leadership Reception @ The Strong Museum

Thursday, April 25th, 6-9 p.m.

Springfest Weekend

April 26-28th

Application Due for Fall 2024 Welcome Week Volunteering

Friday, April 29th @ 5 p.m.

Last Day to Transact

Tuesday, April 30th

Major Events Reservation Templates for Fall 2024 and Spring 2025 Closes

Tuesday, April 30th

Apply to Participate in Meliora Weekend 2024

By Wednesday, May 1st

Complete the Transportation and Parking Survey

Monday, May 6th

Fall Leadership Training

Sunday, August 25th

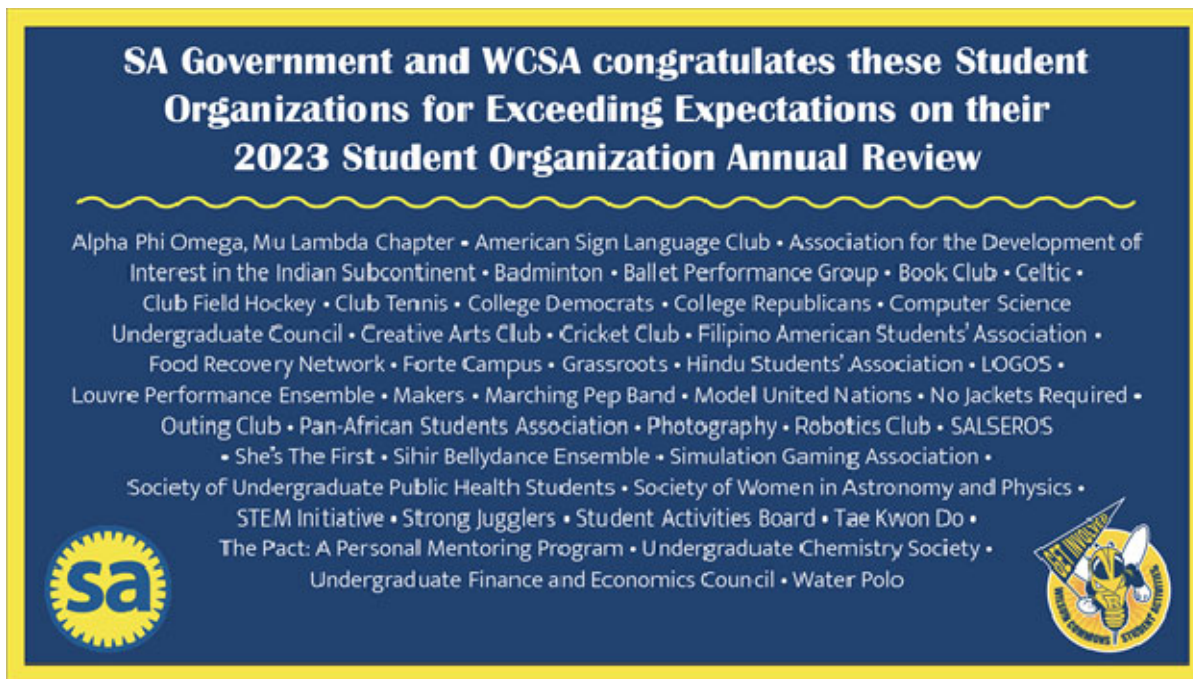
Meliora Weekend

September 26-29th

Awards, Highlights, & SOAR Exceeds Expectations

- **Meliora Figure Skating Club** would like to congratulate **Qiuwan Zhao** and **Lillian Ravikoff** for their efforts at the New England Intercollegiate Cup. Qiuwan placed 1st out of 7 skaters, and Lillian placed 3rd.
- Congratulations to **Rock Climbing** members **Lindsey Simonson**, **Lucas Platter**, **Nate Shaffer**, and **Karam Aldahleh** for their performances and placements at a recent competition.
- Congratulations to **Max Polite** and **Brian Scully**, members of **Model United Nations**. Max won the Outstanding Delegate Award and Brian won the Book Award at the North American Model United Nations Conference.

- Special shout out to **Women's Ultimate Frisbee's** Rochester EZ team for placing second at the Bring the Huckus Tournament. They are now ranked #20 on the [D-III Women's Division Power Rankings](#).



Campus Transportation and Parking Survey

The Department of Transportation and Logistics invites students to participate in a 10-minute survey to share feedback on their experiences with transportation and on-campus parking. Feedback collected is anonymous and will be instrumental in developing a transportation and parking blueprint for the next decade and beyond. Complete this survey now through Monday, May 6th, and you'll be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a \$50, \$100, or \$150 Amazon gift card. Users will need to provide their contact information if they wish to be entered into the drawing. If you have errors completing this survey, or need special accommodations, please email transportation@rochester.edu.

ECM Black Out Dates

Events & Classroom Management (ECM) is heavily booked and will not be able to support any additional activities for the dates listed below. If you already have a confirmed reservation for an activity on any of the dates listed, ECM is expecting to support your activity.

- April 5 - 7
- April 12 - 14
- April 19 - 21
- April 25 - 28

Event Supplies and Equipment

College Student Organizations and Fraternity & Sorority Life Organizations have a wide variety of supplies and equipment available for them to use for activities. Supplies include craft supplies, decorations, and utensils, while equipment ranges from sports equipment to various types of sign holders and 6-ft tables. These supplies and equipment can be requested through the [Supply & Resource Request Form](#). Requests must be submitted no later than 14-days before an activity. [Checkout this page](#) for an overview of the different supplies and equipment available to be requested.

One Community Program

The Paul J. Burgett Intercultural Center is seeking undergraduate panelists for this year's One Community Program, which will be held during the 2024 Fall Welcome Week for incoming first-year and transfer students. Any member of the University of Rochester can [nominate an outstanding undergraduate student here](#). Please note, the deadline is 7 a.m. Tuesday, April 2nd.

If you have a story to share about how you self-identify, the intersections of your identity, or how your various identities have had an impact on your college experience, please [apply here](#) by Monday, April 15th.

Questions should be sent to bic@rochester.edu.

SOFO and Shops @ WilCo Updates & Reminders

SOFO Updates & Reminders

The SOFO Office will be closed on Monday, April 8th between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. and on Friday, April 26th between 12 p.m. and 5 p.m.

For organizations who travel, moving forward, only the Lucid Travel link will be used to book hotel reservations. We have experienced several issues with reservations which were made outside of Lucid Travel; thus, to ensure hotel reservations are smooth moving forward we are making this change. If your organization would like to request to reserve a hotel outside of Lucid Travel, an exception form must be submitted.

Shops @ WilCo Reminder

The Shops @ WilCo will not be available for reservations starting Monday, April 1st through the end of the semester for groups who receive a budget from SAAC. This status allows the needed time for organization's funds to be processed and spent by the last day to transact.

Tips for Soaring through SOAR

As we inch closer to the end of the semester, don't forget to stay on top of submitting [activity reflections](#). Activity reflections are required for all registered activities including general interest meetings. While activity reflections for non-registered activities are not required, they are helpful for your organization's future leadership. To help, only one activity reflection form may be submitted to summarize all general member meetings, rehearsals, practices, or other ongoing semester long activities. Not sure where your organization stands with reflections? WCSA uploads approved reflections monthly to your organization's CCC site. You can review these reflections by navigating to the "Yearly Activity Reflection" folder within your organization's CCC files.

Focus Group for Fall & Mid-Year Leadership Training

Do you have opinions or feedback you would like to share related to how student organization officers are trained? Wilson Commons Student Activities would love to hear from you! Interested participants are encouraged to [complete this form](#) to express their interest by Wednesday, April 10th. Keep an eye out for an email from Courtney Floom! She will be in contact with interested individuals to organize a time to meet.

CASC 358: The Leadership Experience

CASC 358: The Leadership Experience is a 2-credit course offered on Wednesdays 2-3:15 p.m. during the Fall semester for students who hold a Student Organization officer position or are on a varsity athletic team.

This course allows student leaders to work through their organizational goals by utilizing leadership theories, styles, and the resources of peers. The course will also broaden ones understanding of leadership practices and connect the work with their own leadership experience.

To register for The Leadership Experience course, [complete this interest form](#) to receive the Instructor Permissions Code for UR Student. For more information, please contact [Brian Magee](#), Interim Director of Student Activities.

This course meets the requirements for the Medallion Program.

Student Org Storage/Space Reminder

As we approach the end of the semester, this is a reminder that student organizations are not allowed to store personal belongings in their assigned storage or space. If any personal items are discovered in storage rooms or space allocated to your organization, they will be disposed of.

If you are storing any items for your club in your room or at an off campus location, please fill out a [storage space request form](#) so we can get your items moved into an official on campus

space.

Before leaving for summer, make sure your organization has cleaned and organized any assigned storage or space. Areas that are left in unsatisfactory condition will be cleaned out over the summer and items will be disposed of. Spaces that are found to have no items in them will be unassigned from organizations.

Apply to Participate in Meliora Weekend 2024

Opportunities to participate in Meliora Weekend are limited. Please submit an [application](#) if your student organization is interested in being involved or hosting a stand-alone event. All applications are due Wednesday, May 1st. All student organization events must be registered through this process in addition to the CCC Activity Registration process for the weekend.

Join the Well-Being Champion Program

The UHS Health Promotion Office (HPO) is piloting a new program called Well-Being Champions. Through this program, student organizations will take part in a brief 1-hour assessment with staff from HPO to go over the current state of well-being within your group. HPO will then make recommendations to the student group, with the expectation that over the next semester, the group will implement at least one of the recommendations. Funding is available on an as needed basis to help groups meet these recommendations. Student organizations that complete this program will be recognized as Well-being Champions. For more information, or if you are interested in joining, email [Zoe Black](#).

Rochester Connects Career Series

Whether to build professional career connections, make new friends, or both, join us to tap into the power of your University of Rochester network at [Rochester Connects](#)! Alumni, friends, and students in any stage of life or career are welcome and encouraged to attend the next events in the series happening in early summer in New York City, Boston, Washington D.C., and Los Angeles. Industry Connectors will help facilitate conversations and connections during the

networking reception. [Click here](#) for additional information. Registration links will be available soon!

These events are hosted by the Office of Alumni Relations and Constituent Engagement and the Greene Center for Career Education and Connections.

Class of 2024 Senior Leadership Reception

The Office of Alumni Relations invites student leaders from the Class of 2024 to join us for a special, after-hours reception on Thursday, April 25th from 6-9 p.m. at [The Strong National Museum of Play](#), to recognize your commitment and thank you for making our campus community 'ever better.' Discover exciting ways to stay connected and involved as part of the alumni family - your University of Rochester story is just getting started!

Admission is free and includes food stations, two drink tickets, and private access to all museum exhibits! Shuttle service to and from River Campus and Eastman School of Music is also included. Free parking is available in the Strong Museum garage, if needed.

Registration is required and will be available through CCC. For questions, please contact [Melissa Waughtel](mailto:Melissa.Waughtel) or reach out to alumni@rochester.edu.

Last Call: Fall 2024 Welcome Week Volunteers

The Office of Orientation and New Student Programs is still looking for Fall 2024 Welcome Week Volunteers to help welcome new students and families to campus in August. Welcome Week Volunteers are key to creating a fun, welcoming atmosphere for our newest Yellowjackets. Volunteer perks include a free Welcome Week t-shirt, comprehensive training, limited complimentary meals, and early move-in. Learn more on the [Orientation and New Student Programs website](#) and [apply for the position](#) by Friday, April 29th at 5 p.m.

Medallion Leadership Workshops

The Medallion Program provides workshops, interactive activities, and personal reflection to develop leadership capabilities through a flexible three-tiered journey. Register on CCC for access to attend. You do not need to be enrolled in the Medallion Program to attend.

Student organizations can request any workshop for their organization [here](#). Email the [Medallion Program](#) if your organization is interested in co-sponsoring one of these workshops!

Join Provost Figlio for his Medallion workshop, [Applying Student Leadership Skills After Graduation](#), on Tuesday, April 2nd from 7-8 p.m. in Genesee 325. This conversational workshop is targeted for campus student leaders and will give individuals an opportunity to candidly speak with the provost regarding your experiences on campus; as well as, how to translate them to your adventures after you leave the University of Rochester. Be sure to RSVP!

Workshop	Date	Time	Domain
Applying Student Leader Skills After Graduation	Tues. 4/2	7-8 p.m.	Interpersonal Competence
Real Colors	Fri. 4/5	2-4 p.m.	Intrapersonal Development, Interpersonal Competence
Cannabis Q&A Panel	Fri. 4/5	5-7 p.m.	Knowledge Acquisition
The Practices of Leadership	Sat. 4/6	12-1 p.m.	Level 2 Opener
Sway It Your Way: Persuasion 101	Mon. 4/8	5-6 p.m.	Interpersonal Competence
Exploring Implicit Bias, Microaggressions, and Bystander Intervention	Tues. 4/9	8-9 p.m.	Cognitive Complexity
How to be an Antiracist Leader: Part 2 (<i>attendees must have attended part 1</i>)	Fri. 4/12	12:30-2 p.m.	Knowledge Acquisition, Cognitive Complexity, Civic Engagement, Interpersonal Competence
Membership Retention	Fri. 4/12	2:30-3:30 p.m.	Interpersonal Competence
Communicating Your Student Leadership Skills	Mon. 4/15	4-5 p.m.	Practical Competence
Safe Zone Training	Tues. 4/16	8-9:30 p.m.	Civic Engagement
Stop, Drop, and Roll: Identifying and Addressing Burnout	Weds. 4/17	12-2 p.m.	Cognitive Complexity, Practical Competency
Fundraising Methods	Thurs. 4/18	5-6 p.m.	Knowledge Acquisition
How to be an Antiracist Leader: Part 3 (<i>attendees must have attended part 1 & 2</i>)	Fri. 4/19	12:30-2 p.m.	Knowledge Acquisition, Cognitive Complexity, Civic Engagement, Interpersonal Competence

Identifying Your Strengths	Mon. 4/22	5-6 p.m.	Intrapersonal Development
The Importance of Storytelling	Tues. 4/23	6-7 p.m.	Intrapersonal Development

This publication is brought to you by Wilson Commons Student Activities: The Student Organization Insider is WCSA's monthly e-newsletter for student organization executive boards and advisors. The Student Organization Insider (SOI) is intended to keep student leaders informed on opportunities and updates from their areas of advisement: Students' Association, Athletics, the Interfaith Chapel, Fraternity and Sorority Affairs, Residential Life, Center for Community Engagement, the Hajim School, and Wilson Commons Student Activities. The SOI will not focus on information available to students through the Weekend Highlights, and it will not be used to advertise student organization events. Instead, this newsletter is a unique and specialized publication with information and opportunities that are relevant to you as student leaders.

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