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POLICY

Student Organizations

1. Purpose

To facilitate the provision of organizations for students of Zayed University, to maximize the personal, professional and leadership development, or to enhance community engagement.

2. Application

This policy applies to all Zayed University students' organizations.

3. Definition

A student organization is an officially recognized group of students with a defined purpose, objective and organizational structure aligned with the Zayed University vision, and strategic objectives. There are two types of student organization:

- a) **Social club** – which is affiliated with the Office of Student Life; and
- b) **Professional society/association** – which is affiliated with a relevant academic unit.

4. Policy

Zayed University facilitates students' engagement in organizations and activities within defined guidelines and procedures. A student organization will be officially recognized when it meets the following criteria:

- 4.1 It is aligned with the Zayed University policies, vision, and strategic objectives;
- 4.2 It has clear objectives;
- 4.3 It addresses a need that is not already met by another club/society/association;
- 4.4 It has a clear organizational structure;
- 4.5 It abides by the professional and ethical guidelines expected of Zayed University students;
- 4.6 Approvals or discontinuations of social clubs will be managed by the Office of Student Life, while the relevant colleges will manage the approvals and discontinuations of professional societies/associations.

5. Related Policies and Laws

ACA-STU-02 Code of Student Conduct

ACA-STU-11 Extracurricular Activities and Programs

6. Administration

This policy is administered by the Student Affairs Deanship.

7. Revision History

Date	Revision
17 January 2022	No substantive changes required at this time. Approved by the Provost.
16 December 2019	Updated the policy number (from STU-ADM-03), the related policy numbers, and the format.
18 October 2016	Revisions approved by the University Council.
27 March 2012	Revised Policy approved by University Council.
April 2003	New policy approved.