UOW Clubs and Societies in 2016

Dear Clubs and Societies members

UOW’s Clubs and Societies are back bigger and better than ever and the Clubs program has evolved into one of the most inclusive and exciting club programs in Australia. This year we have over 120 affiliated clubs for the first time. UOW Clubs are an integral part to a lot of students on different UOW campuses. Over the last few years, clubs have built up a camaraderie and network amongst themselves and the beneficiaries have been their members and UOW students in general. Time and again, UOW Clubs continue to add to student life and in 2016, there will be no doubt that through different events, innovative thinking, leadership and communication with their members, clubs will excel themselves and find ways to enrich student’s lives.

Our job at the Centre for Student Engagement (CSE) is to give you the resources you require to make sure your club can be effective for all of its members. We want all students to have life changing experiences at UOW and being part of a club can play a big part in that. We provide administrative support, offer funding and assist you in the organisation and running of your activities and events. We recognise that and we are here to make sure you get all the help needed to run a successful club. Make sure if you see us about the place, please feel free to ask any questions you may have or just say hi. The CSE office is located on level 1 of the UniCentre Building (Building 11).

Clubs and societies are an essential part of a vibrant Uni life and joining a student club opens the door to building new friendships, enhancing your academic life, and exploring career opportunities. As an active member of a student organisation, you will learn important leadership and management skills.

Club’s who serve their members best and get the most out of the program are the ones who have Executive members who put the most time and effort in. Part of this comes through making sure you thoroughly read this Handbook and are up to date with all of the procedures and regulations. If you do this, attend Clubs and Societies Workshops held by CSE throughout the year, keep your club financial and membership records up to date and commit yourself to the Executive role, then you will find it a lot easier and enjoyable to run the club at the high level that your members deserve.

Finally, we would like to thank you to the contributions you make to the Clubs and Societies program. What you collectively and individually add to student life is astounding and ensures UOW have one of the top non-academic programs in the country.

Onwards and Upwards!

The CSE Team
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UOW Clubs and Societies Charter

UniCentre has a proud history in supporting and developing the Clubs & Societies program at UOW through the Centre of Student Engagement (CSE). The program incorporates over 120 clubs from many different aspects of student life and is a major part of non-academic practices on campus.

While we believe in student run clubs for students we must establish guidelines for acceptable, productive, inclusive and harmonious UOW campus and associated media.

The Clubs & Societies program encourages:

- proactivity in providing events and experiences which enhance campus life
- building personal and professional networks
- the development of new skills for university and beyond
- trying new experiences within a safe and respectable environment
- involvement with multiple aspects of being a student at UOW
- a unique identity for each club
- connecting with like-minded people
- a culture which is engaging, productive, educational, and informational
- respect to all members of the multicultural community that UOW holds

UniCentre does not condone:

- the promotion, support or endorsing of any links to illegal activity
- messages which marginalise, vilify or may cause distress to any member of the UOW community
- conveying overtly political messages

It is at the discretion of UniCentre to refuse or cease affiliation with any group who is believed to display these behaviours.

The Clubs and Societies program evolves with student requirements and will always look for opportunities to improve campus life at UOW.
**Affiliating a Club or Society**

Thinking of starting a new Club or Society? First of all check out the online tutorial on how to [Start a Club](#). Once you have checked out the 10 minute video, just follow these steps and you can get your Club or Society affiliated:

1) You must be different! So check out if there are already any clubs with similar aims or objectives to yours – see the [Clubs and Societies website](#) for a full list. If you are unsure, please check with the CSE team prior to your Inaugural General Meeting (IGM). Affiliation can take place between February and October.

2) You need at least 10 members to support your idea and agree to become financial members of the club (and at least 60% of members at all times need to be students). Add those members to a membership list and invite them to the Club’s IGM at least 7 days prior to the meeting.

3) Hold your IGM. At this meeting, you will finalise your constitution, determine annual membership fee (if any) and elect your Executive – all of which need to be current UOW students. The Clubs and Societies Coordinator, Pete Doran, must be advised of the IGM at least 7 days prior to it on [pdoran@uow.edu.au](mailto:pdoran@uow.edu.au) Please note that your club needs to be democratically run, club money is to be used to benefit all club members, and the aims and objectives of your club needs to benefit UOW student life. Affiliation is the process by which your club or society provides evidence that you will comply with these minimum standards. You will need to follow a few procedures and complete the Affiliation pack by going to the Clubs and Societies website and clicking on ‘Start A Club’ and completing the process. Once this has been approved, you will need to organise a bank appointment through CSE to open a club account if the club wants to be eligible for funding from CSE.

To maintain the club’s affiliation, the Executive will need to do the following things:

- Attend CSE run Club workshops throughout the year
- Comply with a financial audit by CSE, when requested
- Read the weekly newsletter that is emailed to club Execs so you are kept up to date on what is happening within the Clubs and Societies program

If you have any Executive members that aren’t receiving the Clubs and Societies newsletter that is sent out on a weekly basis during session, please email Pete Doran, the Clubs and Societies coordinator at [pdoran@uow.edu.au](mailto:pdoran@uow.edu.au) to be added to the mailing list. If you are a current Executive member of a club, do not unsubscribe from the newsletter.

Please remember, CSE are more than happy to walk you through the Affiliation process if you are unsure on anything, so please visit the CSE office in the UniCentre building (Building 11) and we will be more than happy to help.
Holding an IGM

- Invite club members 7 days prior
- Advise CSE of the meeting details 7 days prior. We will then promote this meeting through different UOW channels including the UOW Student Life Facebook page
- Elect a minute-taker to keep an accurate record of the meeting
- Officially name your Club or Society
- Discuss and formulate the Club’s aims & objectives
- Decide if there will be an official annual membership fee and if so how much.
- Adopt the CSE Clubs & Societies Constitution and any proposed amendments (this can be found in Resources)
- Elect the Club’s Executives (President, Treasurer and Secretary as a minimum)
- Discuss activities you would like to organise during the session – consider cost and whether you’ll need to fundraise extra dollars to help you meet these costs
- Complete the affiliation paperwork and upload it through the Clubs and Societies website by going to the ‘Start A Club’ link and completing the 4 step process.
- Make sure you are aware of the things required before starting the process which are:
  - Club or Society name
  - Club Constitution
  - Club Logo (optional)
  - Name/Condition of other affiliated bodies
  - Applicant contact details
  - Membership fee (optional)
  - Request to Affiliate Letter
  - Aims/Objectives of club
  - Listed activities for during the session
  - Calendar Plan
  - IGM/Minutes
  - At least 10 club members (include the 4 executives) and contact details

Elected Club Executives

Each club needs to democratically elect their club Executives. Each club MUST elect a President, Secretary and treasurer and an elected Vice President is optional. Once elected at the IGM, please include the following details for ALL elected Execs:

- Full name as appears on ID (including middle name)
- Date of Birth
- Home Address
- UOW Email Address
- Contact Number

Reasons to Affiliate

- Officially use UOW’s name as part of your club name
- Get insurance coverage for approved club activities and events
- Gain access to UniCentre & CSE services:
  - Funding
  - Training & Development
  - Web Space
  - Annual University awards
  - Inter-club social events
  - Free room bookings on campus
  - Booking tables and chairs for outdoor events
  - Club mailbox
  - Fee free bank account through NAB
  - CSE and UOW staff to help with events, promotions etc
Re-affiliating Clubs

Existing clubs MUST re-affiliate through the Clubs and Societies website. All items must be completed and documents required uploaded. Please note, hard copies handed in to CSE will not be accepted – all re-affiliation needs to be completed online.

Before re-affiliating, check out the online video on how to re-affiliate efficiently and the further benefits of re-affiliating with CSE.

If a club does not re-affiliate they will be deemed inactive, and control of club monies and property will be assumed by CSE.

Planning a Club Event

There are some things that need to be considered when organising a club event. Your Executive should ask themselves these questions before doing anything else?

Purpose
What is the event for?
Who are the people you want to reach?
What will the event achieve?
How will you know if it is a success and how will the success be judged?

Logistics
What needs to be done and when does it need to be done by?
How will you pay for it?
Where will it be held?
How many people will be able to help you and who is good at what?
How often will you meet to check progress?

Promotion
How will you advertise the event?
How will you make sure people know about the event?
What avenues will you use to advertise? eg Student Life Facebook, Club Facebook, What’s On email, Club Newsletter, word of mouth etc

Funds
Make sure you complete a detailed budget before you make any purchases. Ensure that your club can cover costs even in the worst case scenario and if you are relying on CSE funding, make sure your CSE funding application has been finalised and don’t make any purchases if the funding application you are relying on has not been approved yet. Remember to keep a record and get a receipt for everything you pay for. If you charge people to attend an event, make sure you keep a receipt book.

All events that involve club members no matter how big or small eg small club meetings to large scale events need to be created by going in to the Executive Administration page and clicking on the ‘Event’ tab. Then click on ‘Create Calendar Event’ on the left hand side and complete the details. Once completed, click on ‘Add’ in the right hand corner. If all looks fine with the event, CSE will then approve the event and publish it on your club page. You will receive an email once this done. If the event needs changing for any reason eg incorrect information, spelling mistakes etc, CSE will email you what changes are required.
Risk Assessments
If your club is hosting a large event (approx. 50+), having it off campus or is serving alcohol or large amounts of food, then it is compulsory for a risk assessment to be completed. The purpose of the Risk Assessment is to encourage your club to think about potential issues that could arise and how you would respond or treat that if that particular risk came to fruition. For your event to be covered by insurance by CSE, you must complete the Risk Assessment and forward it to CSE at least 1 week prior to the event.

Have a look at an example of the Risk Assessment template and please contact CSE if you require any assistance.

Attendance
After the event, you need to advise what the actual attendance was by completing the clicking on the relevant event and going to the ‘Result’ tab. Failure to do will result in any approved funding for the event being overturned and future funding application and room bookings will be put in jeopardy.

Acknowledging CSE
If you are receiving funding from CSE for any aspect of an event, you must acknowledge CSE in the advertising and promotion of the event. Publicity material must include the CSE logo which can be found under ‘Resources’ on the Clubs and Societies website.
Bookings through UniCentre Events and Venues

The UniCentre Events and Venues Team have several licensed function venues, both on campus and at the Innovation Campus. They are flexible to your club’s needs depending on the size and nature of your event and are great for events of the following nature:

- Club Seminars
- AGM’s
- Cocktail parties
- New member welcoming events
- Club conferences
- Club Presentation nights
- Large Club events (150-200 attendees)

The team at Events and Venues have put together a menu exclusively for clubs that starts at as little as $5 per head for your event. If you want to speak to the UniCentre Events and Venues team and discuss catering and service packages for your club event, please email Pete Doran, the Clubs and Societies Coordinator at pdoran@uow.edu.au

The following information is required in the email:

- Name of the booking, club & contact details
- Date, time & preferred venue
- Anticipated number of guests attending
- Catering requirements (if applicable)
- Room setup details /Equipment details

An ideal location on campus for a club event where alcohol will be served is either the UniBar or the Terrace Restaurant in Building 67. If you want to use all of (or a part of) the UniBar, contact Nathan Stratton, the bar manager on 4221 8086. If you want to hire the Terrace Restaurant and have them cater the event, contact Paul Dunwell, the restaurant manager on 4221 5990.
CSE ‘All Club Events’

CSE Clubs and Societies combined events are designed to get members of every Club & Society together to socialise and network, free of charge. For further details of these events, please read the Clubs and Societies newsletter that you will receive on a weekly basis throughout the year.

**O Week - Tue 23rd – Thurs 25th Feb: Duck Pond Lawn: 12pm – 3pm**

O Week is newly enrolled students’ first experience with the UOW Clubs & Societies program. You could be involved in running games or activities, handing out food, or simply represent your club with a stall. Be a part of the festivities and have a chat to new (and returning!) students about what your club has to offer.

**C&S Executive Event - Thursday 3rd of March & Thursday 4th of August at the Terrace Restaurant (Building 67)**

This is the first Executive event for Clubs & Societies and is a chance for CSE to formally recognise the exceptional work executives do on campus, to inform you of CSE’s plans for each Session and some other important information. Food provided. All clubs must have at least one representative present.

**Executive Leadership Workshops – 17th of March at the CSE Meeting Rooms**

Each year CSE hosts a workshop open to all Execs that focus on different aspects of event management. Feedback from Execs the previous year usually dictates on the subject of the speakers that come in for it. The night can be motivational and allows you to come up with different ways to organise effective events that are relevant and beneficial for the members of the club.

**Treasurers and Secretaries Workshop – 7th of March at the CSE Meeting Rooms**

This workshop focusses on the Executive roles of the Treasurer and Secretaries of the club. It will give them an insight on what it takes to run a financially sound club with information on Funding Categories and Funding Rounds throughout the year as well as rules regarding external sponsorships. We also discuss the different aspects of the administration side of things and how to conduct meetings and organise AGM’s.

**Clubs Day - Wednesday 9th March & Wednesday 3rd August: 11am – 2pm**

Clubs Day is an opportunity for your club to showcase what you’re all about and is going to be bigger than ever in 2016! Come and set up a stall, and talk to the UOW community about your clubs aims, objectives, planned activities and more – a great opportunity to sign up new members.

**UniCentre Cup - Friday the 15th of April at the URAC Ovals**

This is the perfect chance for clubs to go head to head in a sporting challenge to take out the title and highly sort after UniCentre Cup! Free to participate, great giveaways and a free lunch for all clubs!
C&S Trivia night – Thursday 1st of September at the UniBar
Get a group of club members together and test your wits (or just come along for a laugh) at the annual Clubs & Societies Trivia night. Always a hit on the CSE calendar, the event is another great networking event and an opportunity for your members to socialise amongst each other and with other clubs.

CSE Awards for 2016 – Friday 23rd of October
The CSE Awards are a great way to round off the year and acknowledge all of the great things that Clubs have done throughout the year. Clubs are responsible for nominating themselves and their members for the awards which are voted on by the USEAG committee. The awards that are presented are:

- Club of the Year
- Campus Engagement Award
- Newcomer Club of the Year
- Club Person of the Year
- Service Club of the Year
- Event of the Year
- Cultural Club of the Year
- Student Development Award
Club Executives

Clubs must hold elections to fill their Executive positions at least once a year at their Annual General Meeting (AGM). To affiliate with CSE, each club must have a President, Treasurer and Secretary and all must be current students and ideally, planning to be a UOW student the following year as well. Other positions such as Vice President or positions such as Communications coordinator, Marketing coordinator, IT coordinator etc are optional but should be reflected in your Club’s constitution.

An AGM should take place in Session 2 between Week 2 and Week 9 (01/08/16 to 23/09/16). The reason for this is because End of Year Reports are due in Week 9 and Re-Affiliation for the following year and 2017 O Week Applications will take place from Week 10.

Running a club or society is challenging and rewarding. Accountability, flexibility, reliability and a high degree of enthusiasm is required to succeed. If you choose to become part of the club executive committee you take on a leadership position and during your tenure, you will acquire many new skills.

All compulsory Executive positions must read the weekly Clubs and Societies newsletter as this will give them advice on how best to run the club and relevant information on upcoming events that could benefit their members.

Guidelines for the President

The President shall be responsible for the management and overall running of the club, including its financial well-being. One of the Presidents' most important roles is 'behind the scenes' organisation and co-ordination.

The President needs to work very closely with their Executive. The more involved and motivated the Executive are the better. It’s up to the President to build a unified and efficient Executive team that has fun and undertakes their duties. It’s a good idea to organise an induction session with your Executive when first elected and to keep up continual communication through the year. Provide regular constructive feedback and make sure that you make your expectations clear from the beginning.

Don’t forget that it’s important to delegate and not take on all the responsibilities of the Executive by yourself but be there to support the Executive members without doing their jobs for them.

As a matter of due course, the Club President should:

- Oversee the activities and administration of your Club
- Be the spokesperson for the club and represent the club to all external bodies
- Ensure all necessary tasks for day to day running of the activities are carried out
- Plan the year’s activities
- Preside over most meetings
- Motivate the Executive and provide strong leadership
- Possess a thorough knowledge of the Club’s constitution
- Communicate with CSE throughout the year and inform them of any club updates
Guidelines for the Treasurer

The Treasurer is responsible for keeping and maintaining all club financial records, holding cheque books, petty cash tins etc. The Treasurer keeps the club informed of its financial position and carries out financial transactions as directed by the club executive. They also keep the Club informed of its financial position throughout the year and must report on the Clubs financial state in detail at the AGM.

Often Club Treasurers think of ‘finance’ as something that is sorted out at the end of the year when the Treasurers Report needs to be submitted to CSE. This is definitely NOT the case. For any club to operate as effectively as possible, the Treasurer needs to keep their financial records up to date and maintained regularly through the year so that you and the Executive can plan future events, understand whether your event has been financially viable and to make sure that you can pay future invoices.

You should know exactly when the Funding Rounds occur during the year. If you are not the Executive member that is submitting the funding applications for CSE allocated funding, you should at least be aware of what is being submitted and if the application has been approved or not.

Other guidelines for the Club Treasurer are:

- To be a signatory on the Club bank account (not compulsory but strongly advised).
- Keep the financial excel spreadsheet up to date.
- Do not incur a debt on the Club that cannot be repaid and always try to match costs and income as closely as possible so big debts are not run up.
- Pay invoices and costs through the club bank card (if the card is assigned to you by the NAB) or cheque book and include a description that you will understand later.
- Bank all received club payments immediately
- Make sure club funds are not misused

No more than $100 petty cash is to be carried by a club at any one time.

Please be aware that your club could randomly be financially audited throughout the year by CSE. You will have approximately one week to submit an up to date financial statement that states all incoming and outgoing funds for the club, the most recent bank statement and the club chequebook (which should equal the outgoings in the financial statement). Failure to produce the required documents at the required standard to CSE when audited can result in the club’s account being frozen until the financial statements are up to date.
Guidelines for the Secretary

The role and responsibilities of a Secretary are diverse. It concentrates on the administration of the club and aiding the President in running any meetings, including minute taking, and activities. The Secretary should work closely with the President and deal with all correspondence that the club receives. They should be the one to organise meetings (be the first to arrive and last to leave) and efficiently organise and maintain the club’s documentation.

Club meetings that take place are a big part of the Secretary’s role within the club. Their duties at the meeting s include:

- Drawing up the Meeting Agenda with the President prior to it starting and sending out the Agenda to the relevant attendees and/or having it available for all attendees of the meeting.
- Check the minutes of the last meeting and note items for ‘business arising’
- Take the minutes of the meeting and make sure they are correct
- Arrange correspondence in order and summarise the long items to save time during the meeting
- Take an attendance list and apologies of those absent
- Remind the Treasurer to prepare a financial report (if necessary)
- If a guest speaker is invited, gather relevant information for introduction by the President
- Provide pencils and paper for ballots
- Gather new member’s names, student numbers and UOW email addresses and submit that through the Administration section of your clubs website page so they are official members

Duties of a Secretary away from club meetings include:

- Writing up the minutes of all club meetings and send them out to the relevant parties as soon as possible.
- Keep the online membership list up to date
- Inform the President of any correspondence requiring urgent attention
- Through CSE, book required rooms for meetings

Guidelines for the Vice President

The VP’s primary responsibility is to replace the President on the event of his/her resignation and supporting the President in his/her role.

In reporting the VP should report:

- Activities/ Events held by the club throughout the year (inc attendance)
- Key service providers used
Annual Club Reports

Each year every club must submit an Annual Report by Friday 23rd of September.

The annual President’s Report should contain:
- Overview of the year
- Successes and challenges from the year
- Recommendations to the Exec
- Aims for the following year

It is ultimately up to the President to make sure all Executive members submit the relevant annual reports on time and of the required standard.

Please note: If an appropriate report is not received by the due date, CSE has the authority to freeze a Club’s bank account or, in extreme cases, even cancel affiliation. In this circumstance, Clubs will not be eligible for Annual C&S Awards, funding or be involved at the following year’s O Week.

With each report the Treasurer must submit:
- Profit and Loss Statement for the Club in the year
- A photocopy of the most recent NAB Bank Statement

With each report the Secretary provides:
- Minutes from the Annual General Meeting
- Executive lists including contacts for both the current and following year

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

Each Club or Society must hold meetings which all members are invited to attend, the AGM being the most important of the year. At the AGM, members have the opportunity to reflect and report on the activities of the past year and to begin planning for the year ahead. It is also at the AGM that new Executives will be elected by a vote by all members present. The executive has a responsibility to all club members to advertise the date, time and location of each meeting to all members at least seven (7) days before the event. If you have less than 25 members, you require 50% +1 for a quorum and if you have more than 25 members, you require at least 15 members in attendance for your AGM to be considered valid.

An AGM should take place in Session 2 between Week 2 and Week 9 (01/08/16 to 23/09/16). The reason for this is because End of Year Reports are due in Week 9 and Re-Affiliation for the following year and 2017 O Week Applications will take place from Week 10.
Banking

A club bank account is free of charge and if your club would like to apply for funding from CSE, it is a prerequisite. CSE will transfer funding into UOW NAB club bank accounts only. All club bank appointments with the UOW NAB branch needs to be booked through the CSE office. Please note that club bank appointments can only take place on Thursday or Friday mornings from 9am to midday or from 1.30 to 3pm in the afternoons and the appointment needs to be booked through CSE at least 48 hours prior.

Opening a New Bank Account

Opening a NAB bank account is easy – email CSE the date, time and which Execs are going to be signatories. CSE will then book you in for an appointment with NAB. NAB will issue one Executive with a club bank debit card. They will be given a password for online banking and the card and password details must strictly NOT be given to other Execs or anyone else. If this action is taken, the police can be called and the person in question can be charged on the grounds of fraud.

A minimum of two Executive signatures are required on each account and if money needs to be withdrawn in person from the branch, 2 signatories need to be in attendance. CSE recommends that one of the signatories should be the Treasurer but it is not compulsory. When opening a bank account you will also need to provide minutes of your IGM (typed and signed by the Club’s Executive) specifying:

- Name of the Club
- Full names of Executive Committee (including middle names)
- Names of Signatories on the account - 2 or 3 [all signatories are required to go to the bank and provide them with 100 points of identification]
- All elected Executives (signatories or not) date of births, current addresses, contact numbers and email addresses
- Please include on the IGM minutes, ‘the club’s Principal Address is: UOW Clubs & Societies, University of Wollongong, Northfields Ave, Wollongong NSW 2500’

Change of Signatories on Club & Society Accounts

If you wish to change the signatories on your bank account (e.g. due to a change in the Executive) your club must make an appointment through CSE to open or amend your account by at least the Tuesday before the appointment on the following Thursday or Friday. Take the following documentation to the bank:

Minutes of Meeting specifying the following:

- That the signatories on your bank account are to be changed.
- Names of new Executive Committee.
- Full names of new signatories on the account (including middle names)
- All Execs date of births, current addresses, phone numbers and email address
- The club’s Principal Address which is: UOW Clubs & Societies, University of Wollongong, Northfields Ave, Wollongong NSW 2500

The minutes must be typed up.
Letter from CSE

- CSE will email you verifying that a request to change the signatories on the account has been made with the bank and the appointment that you need to take has been booked in.
- All new signatories need to come into the bank together to complete the change. **100 points of identification** needs to be provided by each new signatory.

Please note:

- All mail and statements for your club account will be forwarded to the Centre for Student Engagement (PO Box U100, Wollongong NSW 2500) and placed into your club mailbox. No personal addresses will be allowed. **Make sure you regularly check at the CSE desk in Building 11 for all of your mail**
- The bank will require a current contact name and phone number for your club account should we need to contact you regarding your account.
- All paperwork is completed at the on campus NAB branch.

**Taking money out of the account**

The sole card holder amongst the Executives can withdraw funds from an ATM- this MUST be recorded in the club’s Profit & Loss spreadsheet. If you wish to withdraw cash from your club account you will need two authorised signatories to make the withdrawal.

If the card holder is leaving the club, they (and only) must return the card back to the NAB and advise them they will no longer be an Executive of the club.
**Funding**

Clubs & Societies form an important part of campus life by giving students the opportunity to participate in a diverse range of activities while at UOW. To support Clubs and Societies in their endeavour to organise a diverse range of activities and events, UniCentre and the UOW Student Life program grants funding to Clubs & Societies.

**General eligibility requirements**

In order to be eligible for funding each Club or Society must:

- Open a bank account with NAB on campus *Please note that CSE can transfer funding to UOW NAB bank accounts only - unless your club is located at a non-Wollongong based UOW campus*

- Inform CSE about changes in the Club’s Executive

- Hand in affiliation papers and all reporting on time

- Ensure that UniCentre CSE is properly represented as a sponsor on all promotional advertising. Please note, all advertising with the CSE logo needs to be sighted and approved by CSE before publishing and needs to be on any promotional items whether or not CSE funding is involved.

- Follow all CSE, UniCentre and UOW policies and regulations

**Important things to note regarding funding**

**There will be no exceptions with the funding process.**

Funding will be distributed in 3 funding rounds each Session and clubs apply in the closest round to their event:

- Weeks 3 and 7 and 13

Funding will be assessed and approved funding will be issued to clubs at 3 intervals in the semester.

- Weeks 4 and 8 and StuVac

*Please note:* Any items bought by a club with CSE funding are considered the property of CSE and will become the property of CSE when the club defaults, to be utilised for the benefit of all club members. Fundraising events are not subsidised by CSE Funding – for instance, if you are selling tickets to non-members to raise money CSE will not support the costs associated with running the event.
Funding Application Process

1) Submit an application for funding
Each request for funding can only be made Executives and must be submitted through the Clubs and Societies webpage by logging and then clicking on ‘Apply for funding’ at the bottom of the page. Only members with Administration access ie Executive Members would have access to apply for funding.

All funding must be applied for 2 weeks before the expense is incurred and before the event date unless clubs can demonstrate extraordinary circumstances. Applications will only be accepted if the correct procedures have been followed.

If your funding request is for an event, an event must be created online prior to the funding request otherwise the application can not be completed. If your funding application is for promotional material, banners or club clothing then a design will need to be uploaded during the application as part of the funding application process.

CSE Funding is available from 15th of January through to Friday of Week 13 in second Session (28th of October). This includes the midyear recess break and excludes everything outside of this period.

2) Notification
Once the online application is complete, the club will receive an automatic notification and receipt of application.
CSE staff will contact each applicant within 5 working days after the application is submitted and communicate if the application is sufficient and effectively completed or communicate any changes required.

3) Activity/Event
If clubs have received approval for funding, clubs must keep receipts for every expense related to the funding application. CSE must be represented on all the clubs promotional material and acknowledged as a sponsor.

4) Payment
Clubs must submit all receipts by the Friday of the relevant Funding Round Week. If all receipts are in accordance with the approved funding application CSE will transfer the agreed amount into the club’s NAB bank account the following week. Clubs that submit receipts after the relevant Funding Round will forfeit their funding.

Please note that if the approved amount is over $350 which could be the case in Club Clothing or Special Event funding, the option is open to the club to have CSE pay for any goods or services directly to the supplier so the club would not need to pay for it themselves. As per all other funding applications, this would need to be agreed upon at least 2 weeks prior to the even
Funding Categories

Re-Affiliation Funding - $100
This is one of payment of $100 for all existing, active clubs that re-affiliated before 1st of December last year. Club’s are able to re-affiliate after that date but will not be eligible for the Re-Affiliation funding.

Start Up Funding - $150
This is a one-off payment of $150 to all new clubs that start between January and November 2016. To be eligible for this funding, a club bank account has to be opened and CSE must be informed of the bank account details. All Affiliation forms must be completed and approved by CSE for the funding to be eligible.

Training and Development Funding – Up to $200 per session
CSE recognise the importance of clubs providing quality training and development for their members so this funding assists a club in providing that training and development. Up to $200 per session can be available to clubs to either organise events or workshops that are relevant to their members or send members to events that can assist in the training of both them and their members. Please note that if members attend external events with funding from CSE, Minutes from the following meetings must be provided to CSE and it must contain a report that was portrayed to other members of the club that weren’t in attendance of the event. Failure to provide these Minutes would deem the funding to be ineligible and therefore the application would be overturned.

Examples of what could be funded under the Training and Development category are:
- Hiring of guest speakers for workshops and the costs that come with it such as accommodation and travel costs if necessary
- Materials and handouts
- Member’s travel expenses and ticket costs to external conferences/workshops
- Catering costs
- Tools and training aids

Social Funding - Up to $200 per session
Social funding is available to assist clubs in providing social events for its members. It is to be spent on things like (but not limited to):
- Food and beverages. However, please note alcohol will not be approved to be purchased with this funding
- Entertainment
- Decorations and resources
- Security if required
- Subsidising tickets or entry fees

If items can be provided by CSE such as projectors or sound equipment etc then funding will not be approved for it.

Please be aware that with Social funding applications that are approved by CSE, the **club will be expected to fund at least 50% of the total costs of the event.** For example if the total costs of the event come to $160, up to $80 will be approved for CSE funding and the club would need to fund the remaining $80.
**Collaboration Funding - Maximum amount varied**

The Collaboration funding is assessed on a case by case basis and can change depending on the nature and costs of the event that is being applied for. To be eligible of the funding, clubs must:

- Collaborate with other UOW affiliated clubs to hold an event
- Hold a large event (or series of events) on campus (at least 100 people planned to be in attendance)
- Apply for the funding at least 4-6 weeks prior to the event
- Complete an Event Management Plan which can be attained from CSE
- Devise a way to make the event sustainable with the idea of creating an event that could be staged in following years.

**Promotional Funding – Up to $200 per session**

The Promotional funding is to support clubs to raise awareness of their club and/or an event that they are running. All items must be submitted to CSE for approval to be eligible for this category.

Promotional Funding is to be spent on things like (but not limited to):

- Club promotional flyers
- Club business cards
- Club promo material

**Club Banner Funding – Up to $100 one off payment**

Club Banner funding is a one off payment of up to $100 to assist with costs to produce a banner to promote the club. All banners that receive CSE Club Banner funding need to be approved by CSE prior to it being produced. Any banners that get produced prior to approval will not receive the funding and for the banner to be approved, it needs to have the CSE logo which can be found [here](#).

**Club Clothing Funding – Up to $400 one off payment**

Club clothing funding is to assist clubs with the cost of producing Club clothing for members. Only club clothing that has been approved by CSE will receive funding and it must have the club logo and CSE logo on it.

**Logo Design – Up to $100 one off payment**

Logo design funding is for clubs without a club logo and requires funding to assist them getting a club logo produced professionally. All logos must be approved by CSE prior to the funding being applied for.

**Special Event/ Additional Funding**

CSE will be offering clubs additional funding to clubs who want to hold intervarsity events on campus or travel to places to attend different events such as conferences and intervarsity competitions while representing UOW and their club. Each application will be taken on a case by case, event by event basis. If you are interested in something like this, and it is relevant to you your club, please contact Peter at CSE at [pdoran@uow.edu.au](mailto:pdoran@uow.edu.au) at least 6 weeks prior to the event.
Purchasing club clothing and promotional material

All club clothing, banners, merchandise etc MUST be purchased through Grasshopper merchandise which is the provider of all clothing and merchandise at UOW. Your club will need to set up an account for free here.

The guys at Grasshopper will match or beat any other competitors price by up to 5%. You can either order online or you can call them on 1300 472 774. They have a representative on campus on most Fridays so they can meet with you in person if you wish to go over products and prices.

If you have had Club Clothing, banner or promotional funding approved by CSE, you can order the product through Grasshopper and they can invoice CSE directly. This will save the club from paying for it and being reimbursed. Please note that this needs to be organised with CSE prior to the order being made the Grasshopper.
Policies & Procedure

Food Safety
Bad personal hygiene is the most common way to spread germs. Good personal hygiene helps to reduce the number of germs spreading to food. **Food handlers are required to wash their hands** whenever they are handling food; and particularly before commencing or recommencing handling raw food. More information on food handling can be found on the C&S website. If you are intending to cook food at your event (e.g. sausage sizzle) please familiarise yourself with the food safety procedures, available from the ‘Australian Food Standards’ ([http://www.foodstandards.gov.au](http://www.foodstandards.gov.au)) or visit the CSE office for a print out.

Alcohol
No alcohol is to be served at any Clubs and Societies event without approval from UniCentre. Refer enquiries about alcohol to CSE. If you are intending to supply alcohol at your event you must hold your event in a licensed venue on or off campus. The University has a number of policies on the consumption and supply of alcohol at social events see the [UOW Policy Alcohol & Drugs page](http://www.library.uow.edu.au/copyright/) or contact the CSE office.

Copyright
As an educational provider, UOW has a legal obligation to ensure that all staff and students comply with Australian copyright law. All original works are automatically given protection under the copyright act. You cannot copy music, videos, software, books, magazines, photographs, magazines or anything else protected by copyright.
A more detailed outline of the University’s copyright policy can be found at: [http://www.library.uow.edu.au/copyright/](http://www.library.uow.edu.au/copyright/)

Logos & the University Crest
As an affiliated club of Wollongong UniCentre, your Club or Society is under obligation to follow the UniCentre Logo Guidelines. All Clubs & Societies must incorporate the CSE logo into the design of all materials for which funding is sought. This logo must not be used on any material that could be deemed offensive.
The UOW crest represents the University. Any unauthorised use of the crest is a serious offence. It is very important, particularly for affiliated Clubs & Societies on campus not to use the University emblem or crest as/on club logos or web sites without the written permission from the University. To gain permission contact Peter Doran at [pdoran@uow.edu.au](mailto:pdoran@uow.edu.au)

Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S)
Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S) is important to both the UniCentre and the University. Each club executive needs to be aware of the importance placed on the safety of the campus community. The detailed outline of this policy can be found at: [http://staff.uow.edu.au/ohs/](http://staff.uow.edu.au/ohs/)
Uni Rooms
If you require an indoor venue CSE can assist you with the booking of rooms. However, no food or beverages are allowed in any of the University rooms. If you are looking for an outdoor venue there are plenty of beautiful locations on campus.

Uni Grounds

• No pegs/tent pegging in ground because of risk of damage to in-ground watering service

• There are permanent BBQ’s that are available (the McKinnon Lawn, Building 30, or near Building 15) which can be booked through CSE. If you choose to use your own BBQ, please use it on the crushed gravel pads and not the grass or pathways (to prevent oil damage). Alternatively you can hire a BBQ from CSE for $50 which needs to be used on the gravel near the Duck Pond Lawn.

• Set-up restricted to temporary table set-ups which can be borrowed from CSE

• Signs & banners are to be kept within immediate vicinity of set up

• Electrical cords not to be laid across lawns, pathways and pedestrian access

• Only authorised outdoor power points to be used

• Activity not to impede pedestrian thoroughfares or access points

• Noise to be limited to within range of activity set up. No noise will be permitted during normal lecture periods

Privacy Policy
The University of Wollongong has strict guidelines in regards to privacy. There are both Federal and State Laws relating to the use of personal information. All clubs have access to personal and sensitive information about members. It is very important that you understand your responsibilities as executive of a club in relation to privacy. The detailed outline of this policy can be found at: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/privacy/

Respect for Diversity Policy
The University of Wollongong expects all Clubs & Societies to provide an environment where the diversity of all members is respected, valued and supported. This includes the freedom of opinion, where all members shall have the right to express their opinion while respecting the rights of others without fear of discrimination, harassment or bullying. The detailed outline of this policy can be found at: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058716.h
CSE Contact Details

**Pete Doran - Program Coordinator (4221 8018)**

- All C&S related matters
- Funding and banking
- Events related enquiries
- Starting a club

**Gillian Harrison – Faculty Clubs Coordinator (4221 3273)**

- All Faculty Club related matters
- Starting a Faculty club

**CSE Reception**

- All general enquiries
- Clubs mail
- Equipment / CSE Meeting room hire
- Room Bookings

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