

THE STUDENT ORGANIZATION INSIDER

The information in this edition promotes your organization's success... You don't know what you don't know and we want you to know. WCSA hopes that this publication will keep you informed of student organization operations/ opportunities. For more information on policies and procedures, visit the WCSA website at http://rochester.edu/college/wcsa/.

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Sessions on Developing your Student Organization

WCSA and Policy and Review will be offering three sessions at the end of January that will help you prepare for the semester.

The sessions are divided into two parts the first part will include information on utilizing the Ten Principles of a student organization, CCC updates, and other under utilized resources at your finger tips. The second part is geared towards the Student Organization Annual Review (SOAR) formally Mid Year Report (FSA groups may depart at this part). Information will be given on the SOAR's content, Feedback you'll get back and what to do with it after your done.

Please encourage at least one leader from your student organization to attend one of the following sessions:

Monday, Jan. 18th 3:30pm Gowen Room (no classes MLK Day) Thursday, Jan. 21st 6pm Gowen Room Tuesday, Jan. 26th 5pm Gowen Room

USEED Online Fundraising

The College of Arts Sciences and Engineering has partnered with USEED to create <u>USEED@Rochester</u> a powerful tool for fueling initiatives through crowd-sourced philanthropic giving aka "crowdfunding".

This is the **official** way to online fundraise for your organization. Using <u>USEED@Rochester</u> gives you and your financial supports tax deduction credit (to the extend allowed by the law) and banking straight to your organization's account. The support USEED provides for your crowdfunding project is great. If your organization is interested visit the <u>USEED@Rochester</u> page and Apply. More about this will be shared at the Sessions on Developing your Student Organization.

If you have any initial questions you can email Stacey Fisher.

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Urban Fellows

Looking for something meaningful to do over your summer break? Interested in learning about Rochester? Exploring urban issues? Working at a local non-profit?

Applications for the 2016 Urban Fellows summer session are now available!

The **Rochester Urban Fellows** program is an intensive, 10-week summer program that engages undergraduates in the Rochester community through summer fellowships with community-based organizations, weekly urban issue seminars, and community and cultural events. Network with community members, broaden your understanding, and grow your professional skills.

For more information and an application, visit: <u>www.rochester.edu/rccl/service/</u> <u>urbanfellows</u>. Interest meetings will be held on Friday, January 29th from 3:30-4:30 PM and on Tuesday, February 9th from 5:00-6:00 PM at the Rochester Center for Community Leadership, 106 Lattimore Hall.



Rochester Youth Year



Passionate about social justice and equity? Looking to utilize your skills and grow as a professional? Eager to learn about and from the Rochester community?

Apply to be a **Rochester Youth Year AmeriCorps VISTA** member!

Rochester Youth Year is an AmeriCorps VISTA-sponsored social justice program that strives to eradicate poverty for Rochester youth and families, strengthen communities, and promote community-centered leadership. VISTAs perform indirect, capacity-building service for their host organizations to create or expand sustainable, community-centered initiatives. Rochester Youth Year seeks passionate graduating seniors to take up the fight against institutional poverty by serving in the 2016-2017 service cycle.



For more information and an application, visit: <u>www.youthyear.org</u>. Interest meetings will be held on Tuesday, January 19 from 5-6 PM and on Friday, February 19 from 3:30-4:30 PM at the Rochester Center for Community Leadership, 106 Lattimore Hall.

East High School Volunteering

East High School is looking for UR tutors to volunteer in their **Student Support Center** on **Monday-Thursdays from 9:20-11:10am and from 1:00-2:12pm**. Academic tutoring is needed in all areas, but particularly in Math & Science and Spanish.

Volunteers are needed for an after **school athlete study hall** to help facilitate study hall and provide tutoring. This takes place **Monday-Thursdays from 3:45-4:45pm**. As well as running activities in an **8th grade bilingual ELA** class 9:58-11:08am.

All interested volunteers should **apply** through East High's <u>Volunteer Application Form</u>. Please note that all volunteers from a student organization must apply individually, and that ALL volunteers will be subject to background checks and training coordinated by East High.

Diversity Conference: Call for Proposals and Posters



Student leaders are invited to submit proposals for workshops and posters at the University's 2016 diversity conference, which will take place **April 8**. This year's conference, #URDiversity: What Do You Stand For?, urges the community to examine how each individual's academic, personal, and professional passions further diversity and inclusion within the greater societal context. Workshop proposal submissions can showcase best practices, research, outreach strategies, training methods, and other topics related to the theme.

Call for Workshop Proposals - Submission Deadline is February 3, 2016

Call for Posters - Submission Deadline is March 28, 2016

Student Life Awards

Nominations for this year's University <u>Student Life Awards</u> are open from Thursday, January 14 until noon Wednesday, Jan. 27. Undergraduates in the College and at the Eastman School are eligible. The awards recognize students who, through service to others, investment of talent and time, and pursuit of excellence, have significantly and positively affected the University or surrounding community. The awards are divided into two categories: Individual Leadership Awards and Student Organization and Programming Awards. Nomination forms can be found <u>online</u>. Contact Erin Murphy involvementga@ur.rochester.edu with any questions.



Food Truck Application

If your organization is interested in having a food truck as part of your event during the Spring semester (between Spring Break and the end of the year), the application deadline is January 31st 2016. More information about food trucks and the application is available <u>here</u>.

Virtual EMS Event Name Viewable

Starting Spring semester, we will begin a trial that makes only Event Name viewable in Virtual EMS. Thus far, reservations have appeared in Virtual EMS as "PRIVATE". Due to positive feedback in support of showing Event Name and to improve campus communication we will permit Event Names to appear. In preparation for this update, please list the name of your organization and event description, example: Black Students' Union General Meeting, Ballroom Dance Club Weekly Lesson, or CAC Studio Time. Feedback regarding visible event information is appreciated. Please email your constructive comments to wcsa@rochester.edu

Apply to be an Orientation Leader

Looking for an amazing full-time summer job that is fun? Apply to be a 2016 Orientation Leader! Applications are available now at <u>www.rochester.edu/college/orientation</u>

Orientation Volunteer, International Student Mentor or a Student Organization Volunteer applications are available now. For more information please visit <u>here</u>.

CCC Monthly Tip

Has your organization used CCC to track service hours? Did you know CCC can tally hours for individual users, organizations, and the University of Rochester as a whole?

To log service hours, go through either an organization where you hold membership, or through My Involvement. First click on the "Service Hours" tab, then click on the blue "+ ADD SERVICE HOURS" button and fill out the form to log your hours (if you go through My Involvement, you will be asked to choose which organization the hours are associated with). Once these hours are approved by an officer of your organization, they will be recorded in your involvement record and contribute to personal, organizational, and university-wide totals.

Contact SA Technology & Web Coordinator Sarah Hedrych (sarah.hedrych@rochester.edu) for all your CCC needs! And check Student Leader Guide (<u>http://rochester.edu/college/wcsa/ccc/student-leader-guide.html</u>) for more information!

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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, Rochester Center for Community Leadership, the Hajim School, and Wilson Commons Student Activities. The SOI will not focus on information available to students through the Weekly Buzz or 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!