

# The Student Organization Insider

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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/>.

## SA Key Return

The end of the school year is fast approaching and with it comes the return of SA Storage Keys. Please make sure to return your key by May 21st or before you leave campus (WHICHEVER COMES FIRST) in order to avoid paying the \$50 fee for not returning the key, and to receive your \$5 key deposit!

Please make an appointment by signing up for Office Hours [Here](#).

After you make your appointment you will receive a confirmation with the location to drop off your keys.

*Keys must be dropped off with a member of the storage team. If your key is dropped off to anyone other than a member of the storage team, you will forfeit your \$5 deposit and you may still be responsible for paying the \$50 fine, as we cannot guarantee it will count as returned.*

## SOFO Transaction Deadline

Unless previously arranged, the last day to submit NEW transactions to the SOFO office is May 1, 2019.

PLEASE NOTE: Payment submissions for outstanding invoices (for expenses incurred prior to the May 1 deadline) and deposits will be accepted throughout the summer. Students are encouraged to email [asksaac@rochester.edu](mailto:asksaac@rochester.edu) if they need to meet with SOFO staff after May 1, 2019.

## Transitioning Officers

Remember a successful executive board is not only the glue that holds your organization together but also the fuel that propels it in a forward direction. A successful officer transition is neither difficult nor very time-consuming, however if you don't do it or do it wrong your organization will struggle next semester.

Stop by the Transitioning Officer workshop on April 16th in Douglass 401 at 6:30pm.

OR

[Here](#) is a check list you can use as an Out Going or an In Coming Officer.

## Organization Roster Cleanup

This summer, Wilson Commons Student Activities will again be removing graduated students from organization rosters.

Student Organizations will have all of their non-Undergraduate student memberships automatically ended over the summer. While these members will no longer show up in active rosters, their memberships will still be part of their CCC profiles and your organization's history.

## Organization Elections

Is your student organization holding e-board elections soon? Use CCC's elections tool for a smoother vote!

See this [help guide](#) for more information on setting up elections for your organization.

## May Room Upgrades

The May Room has just been upgraded with a brand new AV system. The new system includes two mounted projectors with screens at the apex of the room and along the booth wall. This means your events will no longer need a projector on the floor to use a screen on the booth side. There have been extensive upgrades to the sound system which should eliminate the need for speakers on stage at most events. There is also a self-service option in the space where a device can be connected via Bluetooth to play background music.

If you would like to see a demonstration of the new technology, please drop by the May Room on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, any time from 2-4pm, and the ECM staff will be happy to show you the new capabilities!

## Event & Classroom Management (ECM) Black Out Dates

Event & Classroom Management is heavily booked and will not be able to support any additional events for the following dates (if you currently have a confirmed reservation for an event on these dates, ECM is expecting to support your event):

- March 18th – March 24th
- April 3rd – April 8th
- April 17th – April 27th

## Semester-long Program in Washington, D.C.

The University of Rochester, in cooperation with The Washington Center (TWC), offers semester-long programs in Washington, D.C., that combine a credit-bearing internship with a course taught by faculty from area universities. Undergraduate students gain an immersive experience in professional fields, unique academic opportunities, and the chance to explore life and work in the nation's capital. Students will earn 16 credit hours in Political Science, English, or Public Health credits. To learn more about guaranteed internships in Washington D.C. contact [alissa.clark@rochester.edu](mailto:alissa.clark@rochester.edu) or attend the info session on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 from 3-4pm in WC 202: Stackel conference room.

## UR Social Impact & Entrepreneurship Program

The UR Social Impact & Entrepreneurship Program is an opportunity for UR students to spend the fall semester in Washington, DC, learning about social entrepreneurship through courses and cutting-edge guaranteed internship experiences. Students can intern at local, national & international, governmental agencies, nonprofits or private enterprises. Earn 16 credit hours (a full semester) 8 credit hours of internship experience, and 8 credit hours of coursework. This opportunity can count as a Social Sciences Cluster. For more information contact [alissa.clark@rochester.edu](mailto:alissa.clark@rochester.edu) or attend an info session or tabling opportunity:

### Info session:

Wednesday, April 10, 2019 from 3-4pm in WC 202: Stackel conference room

### Tabling hours:

Thursday, March 28, 2019 from 11am-1pm, Hirst InfoTable, WC  
Friday, March 29, 2019 from 11am-3pm, Hirst Info Table, WC

## The Medallion Program

Your student organization can request the following workshops! You just need a minimum of 10 members. **Fill out the request form [here](#).**

### Understanding Leadership (Opening Session - Level One)

Leadership is not just about holding a position. It is more about navigating through a process that results in some kind of change. This interactive workshop focuses on leadership concepts, perspectives and viewpoints. It provides you with the opportunity to develop and enhance a personal philosophy of leadership which is necessary for you to become effective contributors to your organization(s).

### The Practices of Leadership (Opening Session - Level Two)

During this session you will complete the Leadership Practices Inventory to understand your unique leadership style and how it can benefit your organization. We'll also discuss how leaders work collaboratively to help a group succeed.

### SWARM Training

There is a different process. You need to complete an Event Registration through your organization's CCC page and on page 3 of the Event Registration you will select which SWARM training you would like.

### Safe Zone Training

Safe Zone at the University of Rochester is a dynamic, interactive session for students that includes activities and discussion around: inclusive and respectful language, the process of coming out, understanding sexual and gender identity, taking action on our campuses and in our workplaces, where to go for help and much more. These trainings are for students, presented by their peers, and gives participants the skills they need to provide support and to create environments that are safe, welcoming, and inclusive.

### Teambuilding: Learning Different Strategies and Practicing Them

This session features interactive teambuilding activities accompanied by a conversation about the importance of working cohesively within an organization. Participants will learn about effective communication, collaboration, and conflict resolution.

### Medallion Workshops for the month of April

3 Easy Steps to Participate in the Medallion Program:

1. Fill out the [enrollment form](#)
2. Register for Workshops by clicking the embedded hyperlink in the title.
3. Complete your reflection on CCC
  - After enrolling, visit [ccc.rochester.edu](http://ccc.rochester.edu) where you will find the Medallion Program paths on your main CCC page. Click on the level and domain of the workshop you attended, and then answer the reflection questions in the Self-Reported Experience.

Date	Time	Workshop	Level/Domain
4/2/2019	6:30-7:30pm	<a href="#">Public Presentation Skills</a>	Level 1: Knowledge Acquisition
4/3/2019	5:00-6:00pm	<a href="#">Advanced Leadership Styles</a>	Level 2: Interpersonal Competence
4/5/2019	3:00-4:00pm	<a href="#">Finding Success Through Delegation and Accountability</a>	Level 1: Cognitive Complexity
4/9/2019	6:30-7:30pm	<a href="#">Building Career Competencies Across Campus and Beyond</a>	Level 1: Practical Competence
4/12/2019	3:00-4:00pm	<a href="#">Setting S.M.A.R.T. Goals</a>	Level 1: Practical Competence
4/16/2019	6:30-7:30pm	<a href="#">Transitioning Leadership</a>	Level 2: Interpersonal Competence
4/23/2019	6:30-7:30pm	<a href="#">Toward a More Perfect Union: Social Responsibility and Justice</a>	Level 1: Cognitive Complexity

## Call for Student Organizations Participation at Fall Orientation

Before the start of classes in August, the University runs a nine day Orientation program for incoming first-year and transfer students. One of the important components of this program are the social activities that allow the incoming students can get to know each other as well as current students and student groups on campus. This is where you come in.

We are excited to invite student organizations to participate in Orientation, through proposing a program. You can propose to put on a program that you've done in past years, or come up with a completely new idea. Performance groups, this is also your chance to indicate interest in performing at Park Lot, Convocation, UnCommon Night, and/or Celebrate Diversity. If you are interested, please fill out [this application](#), by May 1st. Be sure to meet with your advisor because you will need their approval in order for the application to be considered complete.

If you have any questions, please contact the Orientation Office at [orientation@rochester.edu](mailto:orientation@rochester.edu), stop by Genesee Hall 311 or call (585) 275-4414.

## Organization Participation in Meliora Weekend 2019

Opportunities to participate in Meliora Weekend 2019 are limited.

If your student organization is interested in being involved or hosting a stand-alone event applications are now available. All applications will be due on April 25, 2019. Applications can be found [here](#). All student organization events must be registered through this process in addition to the CCC event registration process.

## UR Late Night Funding

Are you interested in receiving funding for your organization to run a late night event? Would you like to be a part of the "First Six Weeks" UR Late Night Calendar to promote and fund your event? Check out the [UR Late Night CCC Page](#) to learn more about how you can apply to receive funding!

## Save the Date: Yellowjacket Weekend 2019

Celebrate the beginning of the academic year with fun and exciting events including the Fall Activities Fair, live music, free movie screenings, giveaways, athletic competitions, carnival games, and rides. The weekend will also feature a special performance by a headlining artist as well as events hosted by various student organizations and campus departments.

Yellowjacket Weekend will take place August 30 – September 2, 2019!

Yellowjacket Weekend is one of the Community Weekends. If your organization would like a stand-alone event represented on the Yellowjacket Weekend calendar, please contact [Brian Magee](#). If your organization would specifically like to host an activity during the Yellowjacket Weekend Carnival on August 31, 2019, email the [Student Programming Board](#). All submissions are due by 11:59 pm (Eastern) Friday, June 7, 2019.

## Student Org. Accolades & Awards

Do you have something exciting to share about your organization? We would like to feature exciting news in each month's Organization Insider! Fill out this [form](#) and let us know what you'd like to share!

**UR Robotics Club's** – This is the 2nd year participating in Combat Robotics competition in Harrisburg, PA on 2/16/19. This is one of the largest Combat Robotics events in the US with competitors from other countries such as Canada, New Zealand, ... The smaller 3lb robot won 4 fights, and was 1 fight away from the semifinals in a competition of a total of 56 bots in the 3lb bracket.

**Men's Club Volleyball** – 2/24/19 at University of Rochester - third place out of 13 at our state volleyball tournament.

2/16/19 - At the American Mock Trial Association's Regional tournament in Ypsilanti, MI, **Deisy Abarca-Espiritu '19** was recognized as one of the top attorneys in the tournament, earning her an All-Region Attorney Award

2/16/19 - At the ICCA 2019 Central Quarterfinal at Larry and Cindy Bloch Alumni and Advancement Center in Rochester, NY, **Reagan Casteel** won Outstanding Arrangement for the entire After Hours A Cappella set.

2/16/19 – **Jay Shim** received the award for Outstanding Vocal Percussion for the entire set at ICCA 2019 Central Quarterfinal at Larry and Cindy Bloch Alumni and Advancement Center in Rochester, NY, Out of 10 groups, each performing 3-5 songs, Jay and the Vocal Percussion he came up with for **Trebellious's** entire 12 minute set were chosen as the most impressive of entire competition.

2/16/19 – **After Hours A Cappella** ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> At the ICCA 2019 Central Quarterfinal at Larry and Cindy Bloch Alumni and Advancement Center in Rochester, NY. After Hours A Cappella ranked third.

2/26/19 - At the American **Mock Trial** Association's Regional tournament in Buffalo, NY **Harshul Batra '19** was recognized as one of the top witnesses in the tournament, earning him an All-Region Witness Award.

3/17/19 – The Rochester **Mock Trial** team competed at the Opening Round Championship Series tournament in Hamilton, OH. The team finished in First Place. This win means that out of more than 700 mock trial teams in the country, Rochester has become one of only 48 teams to earn a bid to the National Championship Tournament in Philadelphia, PA.

3/17/19 - After competing with the Rochester **Mock Trial** Team at the Open Round Championship Series in Hamilton, OH, **Samantha Myers '19** was recognized as one of the top attorneys in the tournament, earning her the honor of an All-Nations Attorney Award.

3/17/19 - After competing with the Rochester **Mock Trial** team at the Open Round Championship Series tournament in Hamilton, OH, **Deisy Abarca Espiritu '19** was recognized as one of the top attorneys in the tournament, earning her the honor of an All-Nations Attorney Award.

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