



THRIVE LUNCH

Lunch 7: Student Clubs & Organizations

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Student Clubs

&

Organizations



Purpose of Clubs & Organizations

Criswell College student clubs and organizations offer students the opportunity to foster and encourage the physical, intellectual, spiritual, social, and emotional growth of individual students, contributing to their preparation to serve as Christian leaders throughout society. All club and organization activities should support the college's mission and the expectations outlined in the Student Handbook.

The VALUE of participating in Student clubs & organizations:

- Do things you are passionate about or enjoy being involved with
 - Community: Making and building friendships
 - Explore/Try new things & Develop new interests and skills
 - Opportunities for Evangelism & mutual Discipleship
 - Develop Servanthood Leadership and organization experience
 - Networking - for future academic, ministry and vocational pursuits
 - Enjoyment, having fun & creating great memories!!!
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Clubs & Organizations are **STUDENT** led and driven!

- Every Club or Organization must have at least (2) Officers:
 - President
 - Secretary; and possibly
 - Treasurer (a 3rd required Officer for any club/organization that has any financial element)
- Any student with a 2.5 CPGA or above may be an Officer of up to (2) Clubs or Organizations each semester (though they may be a member or participate in other clubs' or organizations' activities).
- Every Club or Organization must have a Faculty or Staff Sponsor/Advisor, but this individual provides oversight and is NOT responsible for operating the Club or Organization– the student Officers and Members are!
- Officers are responsible for identifying and equipping the next generation of club leadership.

Club & Organization Categories

- 1) Academic
- 2) Arts
- 3) Athletic
- 4) Ministry/Service
- 5) Special Interests



Existing Student Clubs & Organizations:

- 1) Kappa Delta Pi (Education Honor Society)
 - 2) Kappa/ Psi Chi (Counseling & Psychology Association/ Psychology International Honor Society)
 - 3) Theta Alpha Kappa (Religious Studies Honor Society)
 - 4) Running Club
 - 5) Student Government Association (SGA)
 - 6) Biblical Studies & Christian Ministry Club (forming with Drs. Moore & Sanders)
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NEW Student Clubs & Organizations:

Students are encouraged to present ideas and designs for new clubs and organizations that serve various student interests. All proposed student organizations or publications must be approved by the Vice-President of Student Affairs and by the administration. For more information, please refer to the *Student Handbook*.

Student Club & Organization Ideas

Academic

- Biblical Languages
 - Biblical Studies & Christian Ministry
 - Christian Influencers and Leaders
 - Counseling & Psychology
 - Criswell Theological Review
 - Debate
 - Department Honor Societies
 - Education (Christian, Classical, Elementary, Upper School, Church/Sunday School, etc.)
 - Faith & Politics
 - Humanities (History, Literary Classics, etc.)
 - International Relations or Model U.N.
 - Philosophy, Politics & Economics
 - Pre-Law
 - Theology
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Student Club & Organization Ideas

Arts

- Arts:
 - Arts & Theology
 - Acapella/Choir/Singing/Worship team
 - Creative Writing &/or Poetry
 - Drawing
 - Fine Arts & Crafts
 - Performing Arts (Ballet, Dance, Movies, Music, Opera, Symphony, Theatre/Drama, etc.)
 - Books, Literature &/or Poetry
 - Cinematography &/or Photography
 - Dance (Events, Lessons, Various styles)
 - Foodies (International, Desserts, Coffees & Teas, etc.)
 - Storytellers
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Student Club & Organization Ideas

Athletic & Competitive Activities

Intramural & Sport Club(s):

Badminton	Lacrosse
Basketball	Pickleball
Biking	Ping Pong
Bowling	Prayer Walkers
Camp Games	Rugby
Circle Rules Football	Running
Cricket	Soccer
Flag Football	Tennis
Frisbee Golf	Triathlon
Golf	Ultimate Frisbee
Hantis	Volleyball

- Card & Table Games
 - Chess
 - Dallas Sports Fans
 - Gamers
 - Motorsports
 - Recreational Outdoors Club:
(archery, boating/kayaking/sailing/sculling, camping, fishing, hammocking, hiking, horseback riding, mountain climbing, rock wall climbing, target shooting, hunting, etc.)
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Student Club & Organization Ideas

Ministry/Service

- A/V & Digital Media Gurus
 - Chaplaincy (Assisted Living & Hospital/Hospice visitation, Homeless Centers, Prison Ministries, etc.)
 - Baptist Student Union
 - Bible Study Groups (Discipleship, Missional/Spiritual Life, Exegetical, Topical, etc.)
 - Children's Ministry
 - Church Planters & Missionaries
 - Community/Missional Service
 - Evangelism & Exhibiting YHWH's justice & mercy
 - Faith & Politics
 - Journalism
 - Men's Ministry
 - Ministry Skills
 - Stewardship (Environmental, Financial, etc.)
 - Student Government Association
 - Women in Ministry
 - Women's Ministry
 - Youth Ministry
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Student Club & Organization Ideas

Special Interests

- Astronomy
 - Cross-cultural/Multi-cultural Club
 - Ethnic Interest Associations
(Arab, African-American, Asian, Black, Hispanic, Irish, Jewish, Native American/Indegenous Peoples, etc.)
 - DFW Sightseers
 - International Students
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Establishing a Club or Organization

To be considered for approval, submit:

- Student Organization Application, which includes:

A written statement of purpose

Identification of (2-3) Student Officers

Leaders must have a 2.5 CPGA

A proposed budget statement outlining estimated income and expenditures

A signed statement from a faculty member indicating approval of the group and willingness to serve as sponsor/advisor

- Research or survey material that reveals student interest in the new organization.

- Names of at least 5 charter members

Q & A

Resources

Visit with Kendall!

Student Handbook

Student Club & Organization Leader Training

Leader Training December 5th 11a @ Horner Hall

Hope you join us at our next lunch in two weeks on
Thursday, 30th of November at 11:00a.m. as we discuss
The Social Model of the Trinity & Life Mission with Dr.
Buie.

Criswell Thrive Lunches Podcast

