

Student Group Status and Benefits

There are two types of status for student organizations: emerging and recognized groups.

Emerging groups: When a student or group of students is interested in developing a new club or organization on campus, they will have 16 academic weeks (not to include winterim or summer) from the time they initiate contact with the Student Activities Office to seek official recognition as a student organization from the Student Senate. Contact with the Student Activities Office or Student Senate must be initiated by a student – not a faculty or staff or Plymouth community member. During this 16-week period, the group is given some of the benefits of recognized groups and will be considered in emerging status.

Emerging groups who do not receive recognition within the 16-week “incubation” period will no longer receive the benefits of emerging groups, but may continue to move forward toward recognition without logistical assistance. Continued advisement from the HUB staff will be at the discretion of the Assistant Directors for Student Activities.

Emerging Groups will receive the following benefits:

- Posting fliers which promote organizational meetings for 16 academic weeks
- Mailbox for 16 academic weeks
- Reserving rooms for organizational meetings *only* for 16 academic weeks
- 50 free fliers from the Print Shop
- Promotional table at either the Fall or Spring Student Activities Fair (only falls within the 16 week timeframe of emerging group status)
- Two day consecutive table reservation in the HUB for the purpose of promoting the group's emergence
- One-time banner in the HUB for the purpose of marketing the group's emergence
- The advisement and support of the HUB staff members

*Emerging groups may not host tables/post for events

Recognized Groups: These groups have received recognition from the Student Senate and have a constitution on file with both the Student Activities Office and Student Senate office.

Recognized groups will receive the following benefits:

- Posting of fliers throughout the year
- Attendance at the Fall and Spring Student Activities Fairs
- Reservation of rooms throughout the year for meetings/programs/etc
- Mailbox throughout the year
- Reservation of tables in the HUB throughout the year
- Access to Student Senate activities fee money and CEA money
- Can host fundraisers and solicit for fundraising in the community
- Banner posting in the HUB throughout the year
- Identification by group name in university events to include intramurals, homecoming and winter carnival competitions, etc.
- Access to managed accounts through Student Accounting
- Access to a student organization locker for storage of supplies
- The advisement and support of the HUB staff members