Hello Student Organization Leaders!

Below is the Student Organization Newsletter for the month of April. We are so proud of all of the work that you have done thus far and are excited to have a strong ending to the semester! Please reach out to us at lsc@sc.edu or 803-777-7130 if you have any questions or if there is anything that you need.

**Election and Transition Resources**

Many of your organizations are holding elections and preparing to transition in your new officers. Successful elections can help you get members into leadership roles that best suit them and the organization. Additionally, to ensure the longevity and success of your student organization, it is important to hold a productive officer transition and onboarding process. Below are some resources to help your organization in these processes.

- Student Organization [Election Guide](#)
- [Presentation](#) from the March Student Organization Roundtable "Successful Elections and Transitions as a Student Organization"
- Schedule a coaching appointment [here](#) with the Leadership and Service Center to go over any additional questions you may have on elections and transitions

**COVID Guidelines On- and Off-Campus**

As the semester draws to a close, the Leadership and Service Center would like to remind you of the COVID guidelines for student organizations on- and off-campus, which you can view [here](#).

**Garnet Gate Roster Update**

Verified records of student organization memberships are collected in each student’s [My UofSC Experience](#), a university platform which records the many experiences both for credit and not for credit that students
engage in while at UofSC.

In order for your organization members to have their involvement included in My UofSC Experience, it is your responsibility as an organization to verify your roster is up to date for Spring 2021 and that it reflects your active membership. **This needs to be completed by April 9.** The accuracy and integrity of these student records is essential. Only records of membership that have been verified will be collected in My UofSC Experience.

Click [here](#) for a video showing how to complete this process through the manage portal in Garnet Gate.

**Student Leadership Summit**

The LSC is excited to announce the 2021 Student Leadership Summit! SLS is a one-day retreat for the top student leaders at Carolina to build connections and gain knowledge about how to best lead others. Having your voice will be crucial to the conversations and networking that occurs at the retreat.

The retreat takes place April 25th from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Riverbanks Zoo and there is no cost to participate. Attendees must have Junior, Senior or Graduate Student status for Fall 2021. Space is limited and anyone interested in participating should apply here: [http://bit.ly/uofscSLS](http://bit.ly/uofscSLS) The deadline to apply is April 12 at 5 pm and leaders who have been selected to participate will be notified by April 14 at 5 pm.

![Student Leadership Summit poster](image)

**Student Organization Social Media Handles on Garnet Gate**

Please ensure that your organization’s social media handles are up-to-date on your Garnet Gate page. This makes it easier for other students to learn more about your organization and follow your pages. Click [here](#) for a tutorial on adding/editing the social media icons on your Garnet Gate page.

**Close Family Emerging Leaders Program (CFELP)**
The Close Family Emerging Leaders Program (CFELP) is a multi-step introduction to leadership that explores various aspects of leadership and helps students understand what it means to be a leader at the University of South Carolina. Participants learn more about themselves, enhance their skills, and develop a plan to exercise leadership on campus and in the community. Click here to learn more and to register.

Wellness Holiday

The Leadership and Service Center wants to remind you that April 21 is a University of South Carolina Wellness Holiday. We encourage you to take advantage of this time to take a break and consider pausing student organization meetings and activities.

NEW AND REACTIVATED STUDENT ORG SHOUTOUT

Please join us in congratulating the following groups for recently starting or reactivating their student organizations during the month of March:

- Business Book Club
- Global Business Brigades Gamecocks
- South Carolina Student Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, Student Division
- The Alliance of Latinx and Black Graduate Students
- Gamecock Out in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
- The Chocolate Milk Club
- Gamecock Fencing Club
- Block and Abroad Gamecocks