FALL 2021 UPDATES

REGISTERED CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Click on the links below:
- Room/Space Reservation Request
- Event Guidelines
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**EVENT GUIDELINES**

- **The Executive Directive – UC Merced COVID-19 Mitigation Measures** states face coverings **must** be worn indoors, regardless of vaccination status.
  - Please go to [doyourpart.ucmerced.edu](http://doyourpart.ucmerced.edu) for the full policy.
  - Review UC Merced's most recent update on their Fall 2021 Event Guidance: [https://tinyurl.com/FallEventUpdates](https://tinyurl.com/FallEventUpdates)
- Per **University guidance** all on or off-campus RCO events are **required to be registered on CatLife**.
- RCOs **must** have an **attendee registration/attendee list** after each event to ensure proper contact tracing in the event COVID-19 were to spread. You can utilize CatLife’s system to check-in attendees.
- **On-campus gatherings/events/meetings:**
  - All **indoor** gatherings MUST be **50 people and under**
  - Any gatherings with **50-150 people** are REQUIRED to occur **outside**.
  - Any gatherings **larger than 150 people** MUST be pushed until **October 1st**.
- **No overnight retreats** can occur until after **October 1st**.
  - RCOs may host a multiple "day" retreat following the above guidelines, as long as there is no over night component.
- **Overnight conferences/workshops** will need to submitted as early as possible to OSI to seek approval from Student Affairs Leadership.
- **Food at Events:**
  - MUST be **pre-packaged** or **grab-n-go style**.
  - It is recommended if food will be present, it must be eaten **outside**.
  - Must follow EHS guidelines for submitting your Temporary Food Application: [https://ehs.ucmerced.edu/content/home](https://ehs.ucmerced.edu/content/home)

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In order to make sure your organization’s events are approved in time, please follow the OSI event approval process. OSI recommends submitting your large-scale events (50 people or more) **6 weeks** in advance to ensure there is enough time to review. There are multiple campus partners and stakeholders who will also review your event. **Any event or activity less than 50 people may take less time to review.**

Please review the [RCO Campus Activities and Event Guidelines](https://clubsorganizations.ucmerced.edu/resources/event-planning) for additional guidance:

- Any event requests for **COB 102** (Lakireddy Auditorium) or **ACS 120**, require **Special Event Support** from **IT**. If any other event you are planning that may need IT support, please make sure you request Special Event Support minimum of **2 weeks advance**.

- **Tabling Requests:**
  - OSI recommends submitting your tabling request on CatLife a **minimum of 3-7 days in advance**. We are **very limited on tables**. We may be able to approve your request but may not have a table available for you. If your organization has funds from this past year, we would **recommend purchasing a folding table** if your organization currently doesn’t have one.

- Need help with Event Planning? Reach out to the RCO team at **clubsandorgs@ucmerced.edu** and **hmontoya2@ucmerced.edu**.