

FAQS: CLUBS

Academic Term	Fall 2026
Program Operations Days	Monday - Friday
Program Operations Hours	11am - 4pm

Question	What Are Student Clubs?
Answer	The clubs' program at the Student Association consists of student collectives that come together with shared interest to establish a student club that is recognized by the Student Association. Clubs provides the opportunity for students to meet with new people, connect across various programs or departments and embrace the student life experience at George Brown College.

Question	What are the four (4) pillars of the clubs' program at the Student Association?
Answer	Academic Clubs: academic groups that are focus on providing a space that allows for peer-to-peer learning and contribute to the academic success for George Brown students. The student clubs within this category are closely connected to the academic programs that are offered at George Brown college. Health and Counselling Clubs: health and counselling clubs create a community for students to come together to discuss health-related topics and learning opportunities to improve the health and wellness of students on campus. These student groups also provide mentoring, peer-to-peer support and tutoring. Recreational Clubs: recreational clubs are student groups that promote and participate in peer-led non-traditional sports and recreational activities as well as offer a fun and alternative ways for students to indulge in healthy and active lifestyle. Social and Cultural Clubs: social and cultural clubs are focused on shared interests in various areas that consist of social movements, political views and cultural hubs that connects students with each other.

Question	How does a club become ratified by the Student Association?
Answer	Full-time George Brown Polytechnic students interested in starting a new club must complete the online Clubs Application, which is divided into two phases. • Phase 1: Students submit their initial application outlining the club's purpose, executive team, membership, and other required information. Applications are reviewed by the Clubs & Networks team to determine eligibility. • Phase 2: Once Phase 1 is approved, applicants will be invited to complete the second phase, where additional club information and documentation are submitted to complete the ratification process. Returning clubs are also required to complete the application process each academic year to renew their ratification status with the Student Association.

Question	What is required on the clubs' application form?
Answer	In order to be eligible for ratification status and be approved by the Student Association, you will need the following: • Three (3) George Brown students to serve as student executives and oversee the overall programming of the student club. • Seven (7) George Brown students to sign-up as members of your club, make the total ten (10) members. • Outline of events or meetings for the academic year. • Proposed budget for the academic year. • Constitution

Question	Do student clubs that are ratified by the Student Association, receive funding?
Answer	Yes, clubs do receive funding from the Student Association through a reimbursement process. Clubs will receive upwards of maximum of \$1,000 (subject to the availability of funds).

Question	Do clubs require a bank account for the funding?
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Answer	The Student Association controls funding for all recognized clubs. Clubs must submit their EFT (electric funding transfer) request with the attached receipts or invoices to the clubs coordinator. A cheque request takes on average 10-15 business days to be processed. Clubs will receive their reimbursement via bank wire transfer.
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Question	What is required after a club becomes ratified?
Answer	Ratification means your club is officially recognized by the Student Association; however, recognition alone does not automatically provide access to all club benefits and funding. To become fully eligible, club leaders and their executives are required to complete Clubs & Networks training and participate in all three The Clubs Exchange dates throughout the academic year. These requirements are designed to ensure club leaders understand the resources available to them, their responsibilities as a recognized club, and remain actively engaged within the Clubs & Networks community.

Question	After training and participation, what are the benefits of being recognized club?
Answer	Clubs that are recognized by the Student Association have access to the following services: • Funding • Room booking and table booking • Free photocopying and printing • Zoom webinars to host events or meetings • Membership development and skills training session • Collaboration with the Student Association (events, initiatives or campaigns) • Promotional services (social media, SA website and newsletter) • Event insurance and release forms • SA resource binder • Access to rent equipment (speakers, mics, projector screen) • Access to use popcorn machine

Question	What is the deadline to submit cheque request for reimbursement?
Answer	The deadline to submit the cheque request from is usually the last month of the semester. The clubs program is closed during the spring and summer semester.

Question	How do clubs update their club information?
Answer	Should the contact information for your respective club change at any time, please send email with the appropriate changes to the clubs coordinator. It is vital that we have the most up to date contact for your student group.

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