

CAMPUS LIFE

CAMPUS LIFE OFFICE

The Department of Campus Life provides programs and services that encourage the development of an inclusive, involved and educated community. Student success is fostered by a commitment to provide opportunities and support services that promote individual growth, leadership and character development, academic achievement, having fun and building positive lifelong relationships.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

The International Programs office strives to maintain the integrity of the College through the recruitment, admission, integration and retention of international students. The staff serves as an advocate and liaison for international students at Columbia College concerning interactions with various federal, state and local agencies as well as campus constituents. The Coordinator counsels students, faculty, staff and the administration on current global issues affecting international education. The staff disseminates up-to-date information regarding changes in the United States immigration law to students and the campus community; advises students of their responsibilities to abide by these laws and regulations; and assists students in achieving their goals within the context of the applicable laws and regulations. They also provide information to students, faculty and staff on changes in institutional policies and practices affecting international education. Through effective and mandatory orientation activities, ongoing programming and communication, International Programs promotes an environment of cross-cultural awareness, diversity and understanding in all aspects of campus life.

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

Columbia College provides study abroad opportunities. Students are encouraged to explore opportunities to study outside the United States. The College is a member of the Missouri London Consortium and the Central College (IA) study abroad consortium. The College also offers a study tour to a different country each year. Participants in the study tour may enroll for up to six hours of course credit as part of the eight week summer session. Dr. Brian Kessel, 207 St. Clair Hall, is the Study Abroad Advisor and advises students about the availability, value and academic appropriateness of these programs.

To help defray costs to study abroad, students may apply for financial aid through the Columbia College Student Financial Services Office. Federal financial aid, such as the Pell Grant or student loans, can be used to help finance study abroad. Institutional grants and awards cannot be used for study abroad. Students who are interested in obtaining more information about these opportunities should contact Dr. Brian Kessel, Study Abroad Advisor, at (573) 875-7625 or e-mail: blkessel@ccis.edu.

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

All entering day students, including transfer and part-time students, are required to participate in new student orientation sessions which are provided each semester. Orientation is intended to help students successfully begin their college careers by acquainting them with campus resources and with college personnel. It provides students with an opportunity to socialize with other new students and to take care of basic necessities before the start of classes. A group of carefully selected peers, called Community Consultants, assists new students. Orientation is developed and coordinated by the Director of Student Development.

HOUSING REQUIREMENT

All full-time freshmen and sophomore Day Program students (those with fewer than fifty-two semester hours completed) and all Day Program students receiving institutional aid must live on campus except:

- Married students
- Single parent students
- Students residing with parents in Boone County, Missouri, where such address has been established as the sole legal and permanent residence of parents.
- Students age 22 or older
- Military veterans as defined by federal guidelines

RESIDENCE HALLS

Columbia College residence halls are an integral part of the campus learning environment. The Residential Life program enriches the total college experience by providing a variety of opportunities that supplement the students' classroom experience. The residence hall program is designed to foster personal growth and development and to provide a successful experience in democratic living.

Residence halls range from modern and modular to charming and traditional. All halls contain lounges, recreation or game rooms, kitchenettes with microwave ovens, laundry rooms and computer labs. Rooms are furnished with beds, dressers, desks and chairs.

Full service computer labs are provided in each of the residence halls. Each lab is equipped with personal computers networked to the campus computer and to printers.

Students may bring computers for their room and access the campus computer network system, provided they have ethernet cards.

BANKS HALL

Banks Hall is co-educational and houses 108 students in double rooms. Among its features are special study rooms on each floor, air-conditioning, hall baths and a spacious kitchen area.

HUGHES HALL

Hughes Hall houses 64 women in 32 double rooms. It is traditional in architecture with hardwood floors and a spacious parlor. The air-conditioned double-room suites are connected by full baths shared by four residents.

MILLER HALL

Miller Hall, a co-educational hall, is Columbia College's largest residence hall, housing 154 students in double-room suites connected by full baths. The modern three-story structure is air-conditioned and subdivided into four sections of living quarters, each section having its own lounge.

Each residence hall has an Area Coordinator or Head Resident. Every Area Coordinator/Head Resident is assisted by student Resident Assistants (RAs). RAs are responsible for maintaining contact with students, providing assistance with problems and concerns, encouraging participation in activities, communicating policies and regulations and recording rule violations.

Every residence hall has its own governance structure. Officers are elected in the fall and activities are funded through Campus Life and Student Government Association. Hall governments serve to provide social, recreational, cultural and educational activities and events for hall members.

Additional information about residence hall living is available in the Student Handbook and the Residence Hall Handbook.

COMPUTER PURCHASE

Students who anticipate buying a computer for use at college are encouraged to purchase a

standard laptop model through the Columbia College web site:

<http://www.cdwg.com/columbiacollege>

FOOD SERVICES

The College offers two meal plan options: 1) a 20 meals per week plan; or 2) a 14 meals per week plan. All residential students must purchase a meal plan. Students can change their meal plan option up to the last day of registration in the Campus Life Office. Meals are served in Dulany Dining Hall. If students have a class conflict and cannot eat in the dining hall, they can request a sack lunch through the Campus Life Office or use the value exchange option associated with their meal plan at Cougar Café in the Student Commons. There are limited hours when the value exchange option can be used.

Food service begins with lunch on the day the residence halls open and ends with dinner on the last day of scheduled final examinations each semester. Meals are also served to all students participating in orientation.

Students who live in a residence hall must have their student identification card scanned at the entrance of the dining hall or at check-out at Cougar Café in the Student Commons if using the value exchange option. Students who live off campus may contract for board only, pay for meals individually or purchase discounted meal tickets. Tickets for students' guests may be purchased at Dulany Dining Hall.

A student Food Advisory Committee meets throughout the school year with dining hall personnel to promote the best possible food service operation.

IMMUNIZATION POLICY

Columbia College policy requires that all newly admitted, readmitted or non-degree seeking students in the Day Program, and any person living in the residence halls, provide a completed Columbia College Medical History Form and show proof of two vaccinations for measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) prior to enrollment. The second MMR must have been received after 1980. This applies to all students born after January 1, 1957. A copy of medical documentation or a signature by a medical professional will provide proof.

Tuberculosis (PPD) screening is required for students who meet the criteria of one of the risk groups listed. Risk groups include: lived for two months or more in Asia, Africa, Central or South America or Eastern Europe; diagnosed with a chronic medical condition that may impair the immune system; health care worker, volunteer or employee of a nursing home or other residential institution.

Failure to meet these requirements will result in a hold being placed on the subsequent semester registration. If personal or religious beliefs, or specific medical condition(s) preclude immunization, please complete the appropriate statement of exemption. In the event of an outbreak, exempted persons will be asked to leave school.

It is recommended that students be immunized against other vaccine-preventable diseases such as tetanus, diphtheria, polio and chicken pox. The MMR, PPD testing, Hepatitis B and meningitis vaccines are all available at Health Services (some with a small fee).

HEALTH SERVICES

Health services are available to students, faculty, and staff. The Health Center is a nurse practitioner-directed clinic that, along with a consulting physician, provides care for minor illnesses and injuries, health care counseling and community referral services. Visits to the clinic are free; however, payment for off campus labs, medicine and physician visits, when referred, is the client's responsibility. There may also be minimal charges for supplies and vaccines.

The Center promotes preventive health by offering flu vaccines, health screens and self-care guides concerning diverse health issues. The Health Center is located on the second floor of the Atkins-Holman Student Commons (AHS).

ATHLETICS

Columbia College sponsors five intercollegiate sports: volleyball, softball and basketball for women; basketball and soccer for men.

The College is a member of the American Midwest Conference (five Missouri colleges, two Illinois colleges and one Arkansas college) and the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA).

Opportunities to participate are available to day campus students who meet the eligibility requirements as established by the NAIA, AMC, and Columbia College. Full-time currently enrolled graduate students who completed or are completing their bachelor's degree in the Day Program may be eligible to participate.

The College also has an active intramural program that attracts spirited participation in activities such as flag football, basketball and softball.

In addition, the College sponsors various classes in physical recreation that vary with student interest and have included aerobics, tennis, volleyball, weight training and outdoor recreation.

Further information is available from the Campus Life Office or Athletic Office.

RECREATION

The AHS Commons, Southwell Sports Complex, common areas and residence hall lounges are available for a variety of recreational activities. The Fitness Center is located in Southy Hall. It includes free weights, machine weights and cardio equipment. The courts at Southwell Sports Complex are available for basketball, tennis and volleyball. Other college facilities, such as Launer Auditorium, the Jane Froman Dance Studio, classrooms, Dulany Hall and the AHS Commons are available upon approval to any officially recognized student organization for meetings and programs. Reservations are made on a first-come, first-served basis. More information is available in the Student Activities Office.

Recreational areas within the immediate region include Cosmo Park, Peace Park, Pinnacles Park, Arrow Rock and Rock Bridge Memorial State Park. The Lake of the Ozarks, a major tourist area, is sixty miles south of Columbia. St. Louis and Kansas City are each 125 miles from Columbia on Interstate 70.

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT (COUGAR DEN)

The Student Development Office (Cougar Den) serves as a campus resource for all students, faculty and staff. It promotes healthy lifestyle choices and encourages balance between the mind, body and spirit. Throughout the year it sponsors workshops and seminars that focus on personal development, wellness, diversity and leadership. The Student Development Office also offers classes in various outdoor recreation areas, as well as peer advising opportunities.

The Office of Student Development is located adjacent to the Cougar Den. The Cougar Den is a wonderful place to socialize between classes or to get away from the noise and find a quiet spot to relax. It houses a small library focusing on wellness, spirituality and other health-related topics.

COUNSELING SERVICES

Counseling Services provides confidential counseling free of charge to assist students with personal, developmental, or psychological concerns related to their academic progress and/or personal growth. Counseling is short-term, solution-focused with session limits set per semester. For chronic mental health issues or those that may require more extensive counseling, referrals to community resources are provided. Students may seek assistance with or assessment of the following issues: anxiety/panic, depression, stress and time management, relationships, conflict resolution, eating disorders, and drug and alcohol abuse, as well as others. Counseling

sessions are available Monday through Friday by appointment. More information is available at www.ccis.edu/offices/campuslife/counseling/. If you have questions, or to make an appointment, please call Terri Zeilenga, M.A., LPC at 573-875-7423.

RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS

Opportunities abound in Columbia for religious expression, cultural appreciation, spiritual exploration and faith development. The Columbia College Chapel is open to all students, faculty and staff for prayer and meditation. Programs on campus include spiritual events, studies of religious issues, and opportunities for discussion with others through affiliated clubs and organizations. Information is available in the Student Development Office and Student Activities Office.

Columbia College respects the right of all persons to practice their faith according to the recognized tenets of their religion. Should religious observance require absence from regularly scheduled activities, individuals are responsible for notifying supervisors/instructors prior to the absence and making appropriate arrangements.

CAREER SERVICES CENTER

The Career Center has trained personnel to assist students with all aspects of career planning and development. Specific services designed to promote professional and personal success include a carefully guided assessment of their skills, abilities, values, achievements and interests as aids to effective career planning; a library of information about occupations, corporations, agencies and government organizations; salary surveys; employment qualifications and employment trends; development and maintenance of placement documents; listings of full-time, part-time and summer employment opportunities and internships; and services for graduate and professional school placement. Programs are provided to inform and train the individual in such areas as interviewing, resume/cover-letter construction, job hunting and sourcing, networking, decision making and salary negotiation.

TESTING SERVICES

The Testing Center conducts a variety of tests such as the CLEP, ACT Residual, Math Placement, CBase and testing for students with disabilities. The Testing Center is located in the Career Services Center on the second floor of the AHS Commons.

STUDENT HANDBOOK

Every fall a new edition of the *Student Handbook* is published providing detailed information about all aspects of campus life. Copies are available at registration and in the Campus Life Office.

BOOKSTORE

The Campus bookstore, located on the main floor of the Student Commons, carries a wide range of textbooks, trade books, art supplies, study materials, college memorabilia, personal grooming products and snacks. Both new and used textbooks are available.

Textbooks for both day and evening on-campus courses are available for purchase a few weeks before classes begin. When obtainable, used texts are sold at 25% less than the cost of a new text. Students can now reserve textbooks online at our website at: ccis.bkstore.com.

Students may receive textbook refunds based on the policies listed below. No refund will be issued without a valid receipt for all textbooks. Textbooks must be in the original condition.

REFUND POLICY:

For all courses a full refund will be given with a receipt if the textbook is returned within the first week of classes.

Textbooks must be in original condition, including all components in packages.

Merchandise other than textbooks may be refunded with a valid receipt within thirty days.

Merchandise must be in original condition, unopened with tags.

Refunds will be issued in the original form of payment.

The textbook buyback period is during finals week. This is the best time to sell back textbooks.

TI-83 calculators will not be considered for buyback.

BOOKSTORE HOURS:

Regular Semester:

9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Friday

Closed: Saturdays and Sundays

Summer / Winter Break / Holiday Hours:

Will be posted on Bookstore door and available via phone greeting at (573) 875-7341.

Contact Information:

Address: Atkins-Holman Student Commons
1009 Rogers Street
Columbia, MO 65216

Phone Number: (573) 875-7341

FAX Number: (573) 442-0747

Email: ccis@bkstore.com

Website: ccis.bkstore.com

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (public law 93-112) section 504, provides that "no otherwise qualified disabled individual in the United States shall

solely by reason of his/her disability, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.”

1. It is the student's responsibility to notify the institution of a disability that would require academic adjustments in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in section 504. To self-identify as a student with a disability, the student must register with the ADA Coordinator two weeks in advance of the date accommodations are needed. Although students are encouraged to discuss their needs with their instructors, registration with the ADA Coordinator is necessary in order to receive accommodations. All disabilities must be appropriately documented.
2. While students are encouraged to self-identify at the earliest possible time, students may not know or choose to self-identify, but may still receive services at any time once they self-disclose and document.
3. Students with disabilities have the right to have access and accommodation complaints addressed through a formal appeals procedure. Students wishing to file a grievance must complete the Disabilities Grievance Form in its entirety, attach a description of the circumstances leading to the complaint as directed on the Disabilities Grievance Form, and submit both documents to the Campus Life Office.

Disabilities Grievance Forms are available in the Campus Life Office, the Academic Affairs Office, the ADA Coordinator's Office and the Administrative Services Office.

PARKING PERMITS

All vehicles parked on campus property must have a valid Columbia College parking permit properly displayed at all times. Parking permits are valid from August 15 through August 14 of each academic year. Permit fees are \$30.00 annually, and will be prorated for the spring semester and summer session. All parking fees are non-refundable. Parking permits and guest permits may be obtained from the Administrative Services Office at 112 St. Clair or the Security Office located in Robnett-Spence. Guest parking permits may also be obtained at residence hall offices.

POST OFFICE

Every full-time Day student is assigned a campus post office box. The student keeps the same

mailbox during his/her enrollment at the College. All official campus mail is routed through the campus post-office boxes, located in the AHS Commons. Students are responsible for all mail, publications, and notices placed in their boxes, including official correspondence from the College. No fee is charged for a post-office box. Students may mail letters and packages, or pick up packages sent to them, in the mailroom on the garden level of St. Clair Hall. The College's official address is Columbia College, 1001 Rogers Street, Columbia, Missouri 65216. Mailroom hours are 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

All full-time Day Columbia College students are members of Student Government Association (SGA). SGA is the direct tie between the student body and the College's administration. While each club/organization is a separate entity, all clubs and organizations are a part of SGA.

SGA elections are held in the spring and again in the fall; full-time students who meet the requirements for an office may run for election or petition for appointed positions. The Student Government Association includes the following:

SGA SENATE

The direct tie between the student body and College administration, SGA's Senate consists of the SGA Executive Board and elected student representatives from the residence halls and off campus. As the official voting body representing the students, the SGA Senate has direct impact on major policy issues and in initiating and recommending changes to meet student needs and wishes.

SGA EXECUTIVE BOARD

The President acts as a liaison between the students and administration as well as the representative of the student body at official functions.

The Vice President is responsible for keeping accurate records for SGA, planning the fall and spring elections and the leadership retreat every fall.

The Treasurer is responsible for keeping all financial records for SGA and chairs the Finance Committee which distributes money to the clubs and organizations.

The Director of Student Relations is responsible for the clubs and organizations, Presidents Club meetings and serves as a support person for students who are going before an academic or disciplinary hearing board.

The Chairperson of the Student Activities Commission is responsible for overseeing the budget for planning and executing student activities such as speakers and entertainment on campus.

The Chairperson of Residence Hall Council Association is responsible for providing leadership and supervision to the weekly RHCA meetings and acts as a liaison between senate and RHCA.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES COMMISSION (SAC)

SAC is composed of members elected from resident and nonresident students. One of the most active groups on campus, SAC plans campus-wide social and physical/ recreational events. SAC is also the student group that recognizes all new clubs and organizations on campus.

RESIDENCE HALL COUNCIL ASSOCIATION (RHCA)

RHCA is composed of the officers of the residence halls and an advisor. It deals with concerns of resident students and coordinates planning and budgeting among the halls.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

PUBLICATIONS

The campus newspaper, *The Columbian*, is produced by students in newspaper production courses. Students are encouraged to enroll in these classes for academic credit, but in limited circumstances they may also participate on a voluntary basis.

Editorships may carry scholarship awards. See section regarding fee waiver for overload.

An activities calendar is published every month out of the Student Activities Office and provides an overview of events planned for that month.

HONOR SOCIETIES

Alpha Chi

Missouri Epsilon chapter of the national honor society for four-year colleges and universities selects its members from junior and senior Day students of good character who rank in the top ten percent of their class based on cumulative GPA, have earned at least 24 semester hours at Columbia College, and are enrolled for coursework at the time eligible students are identified.

Alpha Kappa Delta

Alpha Kappa Delta is an international sociology

honor society. Membership is limited to sociology majors who have maintained high academic achievement in both their sociology coursework as well as their coursework overall (must maintain 3.0 cumulative GPA).

Alpha Lambda Delta

A national scholastic honorary that recognizes superior scholastic achievement by freshmen students during their first year at Columbia College.

Alpha Phi Sigma

A national honor society for students in criminal justice administration and forensic science. Members must rank in the top 35% of their class, have completed a minimum of four courses within the criminal justice curriculum, maintain a 3.2 GPA in their criminal justice courses as well as maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA.

Alpha Sigma Lambda

A national honor society for adult students who, while handling their life responsibilities, achieve and maintain high scholastic standards. Membership is open to Online students who have a minimum GPA of 3.75 and at least twenty-four semester hours with Columbia College.

Kappa Delta Pi

A national education honorary society, with membership limited to the top 10% of education majors. The organization encourages excellence in scholarship, personal standards and teacher preparation. Once elected to this society, membership is retained for life.

Kappa Mu Epsilon

A national honor society in mathematics. Membership is open to students who rank in the upper 35% of their class and who have completed at least three semesters of college work and completed at least three courses in mathematics, including at least one semester of calculus, and attained an average of B or better in all mathematics courses.

Phi Alpha Delta

Phi Alpha Delta Honor Society promotes and encourages learning within the Criminal Justice field. Students must be in good standing.

Phi Alpha Theta

Phi Alpha Theta is a professional society which promotes the study of history through the encouragement of research, good teaching, publication and the exchange of learning among historians. Eligibility for membership is based upon a minimum GPA of at least 3.1 in 12 or more hours of history credits and a minimum of a 3.0 GPA overall.

Pi Sigma Alpha

A national honor society for student in political science. Its purpose is to stimulate scholarship and interest in political science by recognizing students who have excelled in the field. Eligibility for membership requires a minimum completion of ten semester hours of political science courses with a minimum GPA of 3.0, and rank in the upper third of their class.

Psi Chi

Psi Chi encourages, stimulates and maintains excellence in scholarship of the individual members in psychology, and advances the science of psychology. Membership is open to students majoring or minoring in psychology at Columbia College; who have completed 3 semesters of college; have completed 9 semester hours of psychology; have a minimum GPA of 3.0 in their general studies and psychology courses.

Sigma Tau Delta

Sigma Tau Delta is an international English honor society. Active membership is limited to English majors and minors with a B or higher average in English classes (beyond Composition) who rank in the highest 35 percent of their class in general scholarship and who have completed at least three semesters of college work. Associate membership is open to students with the requisite academic background who are not majoring or minoring in English.

Sigma Zeta

A national honor society primarily for science students. Membership is open to students who have earned at least fifteen hours of science and mathematics courses with at least a 3.0 grade point average and whose other grades are satisfactory.

Upsilon Pi Epsilon

A national honor society in computer and information sciences. Membership is limited to students who have completed at least 64 semester hours including CISS 350 or equivalent, have a GPA of at least 3.5 in Computer Science or Computer Information Systems, and rank in the upper third of all students in the major.

Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges

Each year, top upperclassmen in colleges across the country are selected by nomination for this special group. Columbia College students elected to Who's Who are announced at the annual Honors and Awards Convocation.

MUSIC

The Jane Froman Singers (JFS)

JFS is a choral ensemble that performs a variety of musical styles from various eras and cultures. The Singers perform frequently on and off campus and participate in an annual concert tour. Membership is by audition. JFS can be taken each semester for 3 hours of academic credit.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Art Club

Members support and promote the creative and educational aspects of art.

BACCHUS

A student group organized to promote and encourage responsible habits, lifestyles and attitudes about the peer issues that college students face such as alcohol and healthy living.

Black Student Association

This organization seeks to promote unity, academic enrichment and career development for black students who also desire to be of service to the community.

Columbia College Democrats

College Democrats work to spread the message of the Democratic Party and provides a forum for discussion of progressive issues.

Cougarette Dance Team

The dance team serves as a fun, positive environment for dancers to demonstrate their abilities and provide dancers with a venue to perform at various college events.

Criminal Justice Association

The Criminal Justice Association provides a resource for those interested in the field to learn about its various aspects. Activities include field trips and guest speakers. Issues dealing with the criminal justice field are discussed. Membership is open to any student currently enrolled in Columbia College.

Delta Epsilon Chi (D.E.X)

Delta Epsilon Chi supports students who are currently pursuing a degree in the fields of business, finance, marketing or management. Members gain experience and necessary business skills while competing at the state and national levels and benefit the community by participating in community service.

Elysium Players

The purpose of the Elysium Players is to encourage all students, faculty and staff to participate in the art of acting and the experience of theater.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

FCA is an inclusive organization to provide all collegiate and non-collegiate athletes at Columbia

College a community for athletic participation and Christian fellowship.

Fiesta Club

The Fiesta Club is designed to promote the study of the Spanish language at Columbia College, to promote interests in lifestyles of the Spanish speaking world and to provide a social outlet for students with an interest in Spanish.

Forensic Science Student Association (FSSA)

The Forensic Science Student Association is committed to the education, promotion and research of the forensic science field. FSSA provides programming and events involving the forensic field to promote education within the greater campus community.

Global Society

Open to all students, the members of this organization desire to assist and support international students in their transition to life and study in the United States. The group also promotes cultural interaction by sponsoring a variety of activities throughout the year.

Horizon Gay Straight Alliance

An inclusive organization for LGBT and open-minded students to discuss and advocate communication and progress for LGBT campus community members.

Ivy Review Literary Society

Ivy Review Literary Society encourages all Columbia College students, faculty and staff to participate in the art and appreciation of creative writing, literary readings and in the publication of the *Ivy Review* literary magazine.

Mock Trial Association

The Columbia College Mock Trial team provides students experiences in the field of law while competitively representing Columbia College in inter-collegiate competitions. The mission is to promote leadership, develop critical thinking and gain experience and understanding of courtrooms.

Model United Nations

This organization promotes better understanding and interest in the function and processes of the United Nations (UN). Members of the Model UN Club will also role-play the part of a UN member state at a United Nations simulation that includes participating teams from colleges and universities nationwide.

Partners in Education (PIE)

The Partners in Education organization provides support and assistance to the faculty and students at Field Elementary School through the volunteer efforts of its members.

Political Science Club

The Political Science Club represents a student organization committed to the free exchange of ideas about the human condition in the present and in the past. Members participate in activities, trips, forums and conferences that underscore education and service in the fields of political science.

Psychology Club

Members make known and promote interest in the field of psychology and sponsor activities and gatherings for students interested in psychology.

Residence Hall Council Association

A service committee of the Student Government Association, RHCA represents the concerns of the residence halls to SGA. The group works to build community in the halls and helps plan necessary changes and improvements.

Student Affiliates of American Chemical Society (SAACS)

Affords an opportunity for students of a chemical science major to become better acquainted, to secure intellectual stimulation that arises from professional association, and to obtain experience in preparing and presenting technical material.

Student Ambassadors Club

Student Ambassadors serve as liaisons between prospective students, parents and the Admissions Office; promote standards of intellectual and creative excellence; inform prospects of campus services, activities and issues; create an atmosphere that minimizes anxiety and promotes the development of positive attitudes; and provide support to other Admissions and Columbia College activities.

Student Leaders Advocating Teaching Excellence (S.L.A.T.E.)

S.L.A.T.E. is an organization whose members have a sincere interest in encouraging professional development as well as serving as a social group for supporting students interested in education. To achieve these goals, informal discussions, lectures, meetings, participation in educational processes and a variety of activities are held. Membership is open to anyone interested in any aspect of education.

Students for Tolerance and Active Non-Violent Direction (STAND)

Provides students who are seeking peaceful and sustainable solutions to local, national and international problems, a forum in which to constructively approach issues and have civil discourse.

Travel Club

Organization focused on learning about other cultures through travel.