

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

Co-curricular involvement is an important part of student development. Through all campus organizations, opportunities are provided for students to develop leadership skills and to learn to work cooperatively with others in achieving goals. A variety of organizations are available to students: departmental organizations, honor societies, service organizations, and social organizations.

Student Organizations Policy

Student organizations are chartered through the Office of Student Life, authorized by the administration, and operated under the supervision of faculty or staff advisors. Student organizations must abide by all conduct regulations of the College Honor Code and act within the mission statement of Judson College. Organizations found to be in violation of the Honor Code and related regulations will face disciplinary action.

Fundraising and Solicitation Policy for Campus Organizations

- Fundraising where goods and services (e.g., doughnuts, car washes, ads for student publications, t-shirts) are exchanged for monies and require no receipt for tax deduction purposes must be approved by the appropriate advisor and the Office of Student Life. All funds raised must be deposited into an organizational agency account the following business day.
- Solicitation for funds and gifts by all campus organizations should be coordinated and approved through the Office of Institutional Advancement, after approval by the appropriate sponsor and the Office of Student Life. The Institutional Advancement Office should be presented with a written plan in advance of any fund-raising. The plan must include a draft(s) of correspondence to be sent, a list of entities to be solicited, and a timetable for the solicitation. The Institutional Advancement Office will determine the appropriateness of the plan on an individual basis. College-wide appeals must take precedence in timing; mailing lists must be approved by the Institutional Advancement Office, and appeals must be planned well in advance in order for their timing to be coordinated by the Institutional Advancement Office.
- All funds given that require a receipt for tax purposes must be processed through the Institutional Advancement Office. Processing includes presenting the original check or cash, documentation and appraisal of in-kind gifts, and full name, address, phone number of donor(s). The Institutional Advancement Office shall be responsible for restricting the gifts to the appropriate organizations or department.

Hazing Policy

Organizations, traditions, and college-wide activities for students at Judson College are intended to support the College and the community and to broaden the individual's educational experiences. Each student organization is required to inform new members in writing of the specific requirements to complete membership. This information must be part of the organization's charter on file in the Office of Student Life.

All organization activities, college-wide activities and traditions should encourage academic excellence and provide opportunities for personal growth. Therefore, all those in charge of organizational or college-wide activities and traditions shall ensure that students, alumnae, and/or other persons do not participate in any hazing ceremony, activity, or practice.

Hazing is defined as any action taken or situation created, whether on or off campus, to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, or ridicule.

Hazing includes servitude, which is often defined as "personal favors." Specifically, hazing includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Activities and situations that create excess fatigue.
- Physical abuse and psychological attack.
- Wearing apparel that is conspicuous and not normally in good taste.
- Public stunts, jokes and/or activities.
- Morally degrading, humiliating or embarrassing games, stunts, jokes or activities.
- Activities or requirements that interfere with scholastic activities.
- Any activity that requires an unreasonable or inordinate amount of the individual's time or that impairs the individual's academic efforts.
- The placement of any liquid/alcoholic beverage or solid matter in the mouth or the rapid consumption of food or liquid.
- Any action that would place the individual in immediate danger. Obstructing vision is strictly prohibited.
- Any activity that requires the student to miss class or a work assignment.
- Transporting students in the back of pick-up trucks, automobile trunks, overcrowded vehicles, or other dangerous forms of transport.
- Requirements that compel students to participate in any activity that is illegal, contrary to the student's genuine moral or religious beliefs, or contrary to the mission and policies of Judson College.

Student Performances Policy

Student performances provide opportunity for personal and artistic development and entertainment for the College and the surrounding community. Performances must be socially appropriate and reflect the principles of Judson College as outlined in its Mission Statement and Core Values. Advisors to organizations involved in performances assist in maintaining these principles. All College-related performances (scripts, lyrics, choreography, etc.) must have prior approval from the organization advisor and/or the Office of Student Life.

Student Publications Policy

Student publications enhance the sense of community at Judson College and contribute to the intellectual development of the students. Editors of publications must uphold the standards of fairness, balance, decorum, and excellence in production. Advisors to student publication organizations will assist in the implementation of these standards.

Ethical concerns and questions of the publications staff, advisor, or college administration should be presented in writing to the Vice President and Dean of Students, who will make a recommendation to the President of the College as to a responsible solution to the problem.

ATHLETIC ORGANIZATIONS

Athletic Board

Purpose: To provide leadership and support for all athletic events on campus, both intramural and intercollegiate, including:

- Assist with game management for all intercollegiate events
- Oversee and assist with Hockey Day, Parents' Day, staff/faculty vs. student games, and other intramural activities
- Enlist supporters for the "Pep Club", which cheers for athletic teams

Membership: Any person interested in the organization may participate.

Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA)

Purpose: To provide students in levels of equitation the opportunity to compete in horse shows. Students draw for horses in the IHSA. This allows for an even plane of unfamiliarity in the horses. IHSA promotes growth and learning in students and their riding abilities and skill.

Membership: Full-time students who are enrolled in EQS 242H or EQS 242W may try out for IHSA.

CAMPUS PUBLICATIONS

Conversationalist

Purpose: To summarize the activities of the year in pictures and text by organizing and producing a yearbook.

Membership: Any interested student should contact the editor or the Office of Student Life. The editor is elected by the yearbook staff based on past experience, dependability and willingness to work.

Scrimshaw

Purpose: A magazine produced by students which contains poetry, prose, art, and photography submitted by students, faculty and staff.

Membership: Based on student interest.

Triangle

Purpose: The College newspaper, The Triangle, seeks to inform and entertain the College community while offering students a valuable journalistic experience.

Membership: All interested students.

DEPARTMENTAL CLUBS

Art Club

Purpose: To enhance cultural awareness, personal enrichment and appreciation of the Fine Arts by participating in museum tours, guest-artist speakers, films and various projects and field trips.

Membership: All interested students, faculty and staff.

Mathematical Association of America (MAA)

Purpose: To promote interest in mathematics and awareness of mathematical issues through journals, newsletters, and magazines published by the MAA, a national organization of over 28,000 members. The MAA gives student chapter members substantial discounts in membership dues and costs of MAA publications. Each member receives the MAA publication "FOCUS," published six times a year, and a choice of one MAA journal/magazine subscription.

Membership: All calculus students are eligible to join. Student chapter members receive a discount in regular MAA membership fee.

Psychology Club

Purpose: To provide psychology majors and minors, as well as other interested students and/or campus personnel, an opportunity to enjoy fellowship with each other, to promote the field of psychology, to investigate graduate school and career options in the field, and to promote helping and service aspects of the discipline.

Membership: Any psychology major or minor, interested students, or other campus personnel.

Science Club

Purpose: To promote student interest in the related fields of science.

Membership: Open to all students.

Meetings: Monthly meetings consist of presentations by speakers representing the various medical services and professional areas.

Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE)

Purpose: Founded in the United States in 1975 and active on more than 1000 college and university campuses in 25 countries, SIFE is a non-profit organization that works in partnership with business and higher education to provide college students the opportunity to make a difference and to develop leadership, teamwork and communication skills through learning, practicing and teaching principles of free market economics.

Membership: Primarily made up of business students, but welcomes students of all majors.

Meetings: As needed and announced.

Motto: "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." – Margaret Mead

HONORARY ORGANIZATIONS

Alpha Phi Sigma

Purpose: To promote critical thinking, rigorous scholarship, and life long learning; to keep abreast of the advances in scientific research; to elevate the ethical standards of the criminal justice professions and to sustain in the public mind the benefit and necessity of education and professional training.

Membership: Criminal Justice majors and minors who have completed three full semesters with a minimum 3.0 grade point average and 3.2 grade point average in criminal justice courses.

Beta Beta Beta

Purpose: This Kappa Sigma chapter of the Beta Beta Beta National Biological Honor Society recognizes student achievement in Biology and represents respect for the Society's goal of service to the department, the College, and the community.

Membership: Open to Biology majors and minors with a 3.0 grade point average who have completed at least one Biology laboratory course at Judson College.

Delta Omicron

Purpose: To create and foster fellowship through music and the exchange of ideas; to develop character, leadership and scholarship, excellence of individual performance and an appreciation of music; and to give material aid to worthy students.

Membership: A professional fraternity in the field of music based on talent, scholarship, and character.

Jane Jewett Honor Society

Purpose: The highest honor conferred on students at Judson College is membership to the Jane Jewett Honor Society. It is compared to Mortar Board, which exists on large college and university campuses.

Membership: Students must maintain a 3.5 grade point average for five consecutive semesters.

Meetings: Students traditionally offer their services as tutors in different disciplines as needed. Each spring a \$100.00 scholarship is awarded to a deserving freshman.

Dues: \$10.00

Kappa Delta Epsilon

Purpose: To unite education career-bound students to professional educators in an honorary professional organization for campus or community service; to encourage all members in support of and active participation in current educational endeavors; to acquaint members with the history and ethics of teaching profession; to lead members to develop a high level of professional responsibilities; to develop a spirit of mutual understanding, cooperation, and fellowship among its membership.

Membership: Students of good character, worthy educational ideals, excellent leadership abilities, superior scholarship, commitment to serving in the teaching profession. In addition, students must have completed 30 semester hours and attained and maintain a 3.0 grade point average.

Phi Alpha Theta

Purpose: Phi Alpha Theta is a national history honorary society. Its purpose is to recognize superior scholarship in the field of history; to further study history, creating an interest in our historical heritage; and to aid in the preservation of history.

Membership: Students must maintain a 3.0 grade point average with a 3.20 average in history. They must have completed twelve credit hours in history.

Sigma Beta Delta

Purpose: To encourage and recognize scholarship and accomplishment among students of business, management, and administration; and to encourage and promote aspirations toward personal and professional improvement and a life distinguished by honorable service to humankind.

Membership: Composed of those persons of high scholarship and good moral character who are enrolled in subject matter areas including business, management, and administrations.

Sigma Tau Delta

Purpose: Membership in the International Honorary Society for English students. The organization publishes Scrimshaw, the student literary magazine.

Membership: For English majors and others interested who maintain a 3.5 grade point average

Who's Who

Purpose: To recognize the merit and accomplishments of outstanding student leaders in over 700 schools and universities in this country and Canada.

Membership: Students are selected by the student body and faculty. Selection is based on excellence of scholarship, leadership, participation in extra-curricular activities, citizenship, service to the school and promise of future usefulness to society.

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

Judson Ambassadors

Purpose: To promote better public relations between the general public and Judson College; to help recruit students; to conduct campus tours; to serve as overnight hostesses to guests on campus; to assist in the planning and implementation of freshman orientation; to serve as hostesses for meetings of the Boards of Trustees, Governors, and Advisors; and to promote the College any way possible through high schools, churches and other settings.

Membership: Students who have completed or are completing two semesters at Judson, and who have a 2.0 grade point average are eligible to apply. Ambassadors are selected through an interview process.

Meetings: Once a month or as needed.

Cahaba River Society

Purpose: Judson's chapter of the Cahaba River Society was formed in an effort to help preserve the last free-flowing river in Alabama. The Cahaba River flows through Perry County just four miles from the College. This beautiful river has the greatest biological diversity of any river in North America. 135 species of fish swim in its waters. The Biology Department at Judson has a long history of working for the protection of the Cahaba River. The Cahaba River Society, which is a state-wide environmental organization stationed in Birmingham, amended its charter and has won prizes in the annual CRS membership drive contest. In 1996, we won a canoe for our efforts to increase membership in the state society. A grant award to the Biology Department by the Birmingham Audubon Society allows our CRS chapter to establish a water monitoring station on the Cahaba River. Several students run the station and their efforts will help preserve the river and will expose them to research and to the skills of technical writing. The student leader in the monitoring project is also paid for her work through a Community Service Program.

Membership: Open to all interested students, faculty and staff. The Society is a state-wide environmental organization.

Meetings: As announced.

Campus Ministries

Purpose: The Campus Ministries organization strives to lead students to worship God in spirit and in truth and encourages students to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with others.

Membership: The Judson Family (no matter what denomination) is invited to participate. Leadership positions are elected in the spring (see the Campus Ministries Constitution for qualification requirements).

Meetings: "The Core", the weekly worship service, is held on Monday nights at 7:00 p.m. Bible studies, prayer times, and missions outreach opportunities are offered in conjunction with interested students' schedules.

Faith

Purpose: A small vocal ensemble that presents concerts representing the College on and off campus.

Membership: Open to all students by audition. Auditions are normally held in the spring.

Honor Council

Purpose: The Honor Council was established in the 1970s as a student-elected entity to discipline students of the college. At that time, all student offenses were brought before the Honor Council to decide punishment, using the Student Handbook as their guide. Today, the Honor Council reviews alleged academic and non-academic violations of the Honor Code.

Membership: The Honor Council is comprised of student-elected officials. Faculty and staff are also appointed to the Councils.

Student Government Association (SGA)

Purpose: To provide for student academic, cultural, social, and physical welfare; to encourage the recognition of the rights and responsibilities of students to the College and in the decision making process of the College; to develop an appreciation on the part of the individual and the group of the values to be derived from successful, cooperative living; and to encourage students to be active members of the community.

Membership: Upon entering Judson College, all students become members of the SGA. Executive council positions are elected by the student body in March. (See SGA Constitution for qualification requirements.)

Meetings: Weekly, as announced.

SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS

Social Committee

Purpose: To plan and carry out student activities and events throughout the year; to serve as the official student hostess organization for social functions such as the Marion Military Institute Step-Sing and Reception, President's Reception and the Christmas Tea

Membership: Composed of an appointed chairperson, one representative from each class, one representative from each residence hall, one non-resident representative, and three members-at-large. Members must meet the qualifications outlined in the distribution of offices section of the SGA constitution.