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www.mckendree.edu/careerservices

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McKendree University Organizations*
Phi Beta Lambda
   Advisor: Darren Cross; Assistant Professor of Management

Sigma Beta Delta “National Business Honor Society”
   Advisor: Dr. John Watters

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National Organizations
American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
   http://www.aicpa.org/

Institute of Management Accountants (The Association for Accountants and Financial Professionals in Business)
   http://www.imanet.org/

Society for Business Ethics
   http://www.societyforbusinessethics.org/

The Institute of Internal Auditors
   http://www.theiia.org/
Art

McKendree University Organizations*
Art Club
Advisor: David Ottinger

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National Organizations
American Art Therapy Association
http://www.arttherapy.org/

American Association of Museums
http://www.aam-us.org/

American Craft Council
http://www.craftcouncil.org/

American Institute of Graphic Arts
http://www.aiga.org/

American Society of Media Photographers
http://asmp.org/

Association for Art History
http://mypage.iu.edu/~aah/

Association of Medical Illustrators
http://www.ami.org/

College Art Association
http://www.collegeart.org/

The Industrial Designers Society of America
http://www.idsa.org/

National Cartoonists Society
http://www.reuben.org/news/

National Press Photographers Association
http://www.nppa.org/

The Society of Illustrators
http://societyillustrators.org
Athletic Training/ Exercise Science & Sports Performance/ Health Promotion and Wellness

McKendree University Organizations*
Alpha Phi
   Advisor: Dr. Dawn Hankins

Intramural Sports: Volleyball & Flag Football
   Advisor: Kim Smallheer

Society of Athletic Training Students
   Advisor: Katy Gayford

Team Bogey
   Advisor: Craig Robertson

Wonders of Wellness (W.O.W)
   Advisor: Dr. Karan Onstott

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National Organizations
Aerobics and Fitness Association of America
   http://www.afaa.com/100.afa

American Aerobic Association International/International Sports Medicine Association
   http://www.aaai-ismafitness.com/

American Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance
   http://www.aahperd.org/

American College Health Association
   http://www.acha.org

American Council on Exercise
   http://www.acefitness.org/

American Dietetic Association
   http://www.eatright.org/

American Physical Therapy Association
   http://www.apta.org/
American Public Health Association  
http://www.apha.org/

American School Health Association  
http://www.ashaweb.org

Association for the Advancement of Applied Sports Psychology  
http://appliedsportpsych.org/

Association of Schools of Public Health  
http://www.asph.org/

Illinois Athletic Trainers’ Association  
http://www.illinoisathletictrainers.org/

Illinois Education Association  
http://illinoiseducationassociation.org/

Illinois Society for Public Health Education  
http://www.isophe.org/

International Health, Racquet and Sports Club Association  
http://cms.ihrsa.org/

National Athletic Trainers’ Association  
http://www.nata.org/

National Association of Community Health Centers, Inc.  
http://www.nachc.com/

National Association of County and City Health Officials  
http://www.naccho.org/

National Center on Physical Activity and Disability  
http://www.ncpad.org/

National Consortium for Physical Education and Recreation for Individuals with Disabilities  
http://www2.gcs.k12.in.us/ldoherty/index_files/index/Web%20sites%20for%20Adaptive%20P.E/NCPERID%20Homepage.htm

National Education Association  
http://www.nea.org/
National Public Health Leadership Development Network
   http://www.heartlandcenters.slu.edu/

National Strength and Conditioning Association
   http://www.nsca-lift.org/

National Wellness Institute, Inc.
   http://www.nationalwellness.org/

Society for Public Health Education
   http://www.sophe.org/

Southwestern Illinois District Special Olympics
   http://www.ilso.org/area/index.php?area=12

Team Work Online
   http://teamworkonline.com
Biology/ Chemistry/ Pre-Professional

McKendree University Organizations*
Green Team “Environment Club”
   Advisors: Dr. Jim Feher, Dr. Duane Olson, and Dr. Ben Jellen

Pre-Professional Students in Health Care
   Advisor: Dr. Robb VanPutte

Sigma Zeta “Math & Science Honor Society”
   Advisor: Dr. Robb Van Putte and Dr. Michele Schutzenhofer

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National Organizations
American Academy of Forensic Sciences
   http://www.aafs.org/

American Anthropological Association
   http://www.aaanet.org/

American Association for the Advancement of Science
   http://www.aaas.org

American Association for Clinical Chemistry
   http://www.aacc.org

American Chemical Society
   http://portal.acs.org/

The American Electrophoresis Society
   http://www.aesociety.org/

American Institute of Biological Sciences
   http://www.aibs.org/careers/index.html

American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
   http://www.asbmb.org/

American Society of Microbiology
   http://www.asm.org/

Animal Behavior Society
   http://animalbehaviorsociety.org/

Association of Analytical Communities International
   http://www.aoac.org

Association of Bimolecular Resource Facilities
   https://www.abrf.org/
Association of Medical and Graduate Departments of Biochemistry
http://www.amgdb.org/

Biochemical Society
http://www.biochemistry.org/

Dolphin Research Center
http://www.dolphins.org/

Ecological Society of America (ESA)
http://www.esa.org/

International Marine Animal Trainers' Association

The National Academies
http://www.nas.edu/

National Association of Marine Laboratories
http://www.naml.org/

National Wildlife Federation
http://www.nwf.org/

Society for American Archaeology
http://www.saa.org/

Society for Conservation Biology
http://www.conbio.org/

Medicine
Association of American Medical Colleges
http://www.aamc.org/

American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine
http://www.aacom.org/

American Medical Association
http://www.ama-assn.org/

Dentistry
American Dental Association
http://www.ada.org/

American Dental Education Association
http://www.adea.org/

Podiatry
American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine
American Podiatric Medical Association
http://www.apma.org/

The Society of Chiropodists and Podiatrists
http://www.feetforlife.org/

Optometry
American Optometric Association
http://www.aoa.org/

Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry
http://www.opted.org/

Chiropractic
American Chiropractic Association
http://www.acatoday.org/

Council on Chiropractic Education
http://www.cce-usa.org/

Pharmacy
American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy
http://www.aacp.org/

American Society of Health-System Pharmacists
http://www.ashp.org/

Veterinary Medicine
American Animal Hospital Association
http://www.aahanet.org/

American Association of Wildlife Veterinarians
http://www.aawv.net/

American Veterinary Medical Association
http://www.avma.org/

Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges
http://aavmc.org/
Business Administration/ Economics and Finance/ Music Business

McKendree University Organizations*
Phi Beta Lambda
Advisor: Darren Cross

Pi Gamma Mu
Advisor: Dr. J.L. Kemp

Sigma Beta Delta “National Business Honor Society”
Advisor: Dr. John Watters

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National Organizations
American Economic Association
http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA

American Society of Transportation and Logistics
http://www.astl.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=1

Association for Social Economics
http://www.socialeconomics.org

Certified Financial Planner: Board of Standards, Inc.
http://www.cfp.net/

Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals
http://csicmp.org/

Econometric Society
http://www.econometricssociety.org

Insurance Information Institute
http://www.iii.org/

National Association for Business Economics
http://www.nabe.com/

Society for Business Ethics
http://www.societyforbusinessethics.org/

Society for Human Resource Management
http://www.shrm.org/Pages/default.aspx
Computer Information Systems/ Computer Science/ Computational Science/ Information Technology/ Interactive Media

McKendree University Organizations*
Association of Computing Machinery (ACM) - McKendree Chapter
Advisor: Elizabeth Thiry

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National Organizations
Association for Computing Machinery
http://www.acm.org/

Association for Information Systems
http://www.aisnet.org/

The Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association
http://www.afcea.org/

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
http://www.ieee.org/
Education

McKendree University Organizations*
Kappa Delta Pi (Chi Mu) “Educators Honorary Society”
Advisors: Dr. Timothy Richards

Student Illinois Education Association - Education Club
Advisors: Dr. Darryn Diuguid and Dr. Brenda Doll

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National Organizations
American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance
http://www.aahperd.org/

American Counseling Association
http://www.counseling.org/

American Educational Research Association
http://www.aera.net/

American Federation of Teachers
http://www.aft.org/

Association for Childhood Education International
http://acei.org/

The Council for Exceptional Children
http://www.cec.sped.org/

Illinois Association for Gifted Children
www.iagcgifted.org

Illinois Association of School Boards
http://iasb.com/

Illinois Council for the Social Studies
www.illinoiscss.org

Illinois Principals Association
http://www.ilprincipals.org/

Illinois Reading Council
http://www.illinoisreadingcouncil.org/
International Reading Association
http://www.reading.org/

Music Educators National Conference
http://www.menc.org/

National Art Education Association
http://www.naea-reston.org/

National Association for Gifted Children
www.nagc.org

National Association for Multicultural
www.name.org

National Association of Elementary School Principals
http://naesp.org/

National Association of Secondary School Principals
http://www.principals.org/

National Council Accreditation of Teacher Education
http://www.ncate.org/

National Council for the Social Studies
http://www.socialstudies.org/

National Council of Teachers of English
http://www.ncte.org/

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics
http://www.nctm.org/

National Education Association
http://www.nea.org/index.html

National Science Teachers Association
http://www.nsta.org/

St. Louis Association for Gifted Education
http://www.giftedsage.com/

University Council for Educational Administration
http://www.ucea.org
**English**

**McKendree University Organizations**

Literary Interest Society  
Advisor: Dr. Nichole DeWall

McKendree Review  
Advisor: Gabe Shapiro

Montage Magazine  
Advisor: Dr. Jenny Mueller

Sigma Tau Delta - English Honor Society  
Advisor: Dr. John Greenfield

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**National Organizations**

American Classical League  

American Copy Editors Society  

American Library Association  
[http://www.ala.org](http://www.ala.org)

American Society of Journalists and Authors  
[http://www.asja.org](http://www.asja.org)

American Society of Magazine Editors  
[http://www.magazine.org/asme](http://www.magazine.org/asme)

Association of American Publishers  
[http://www.publishers.org](http://www.publishers.org)

Magazine Publishers of America  
[http://www.magazine.org](http://www.magazine.org)

Modern Language Association  
[http://www.mla.org](http://www.mla.org)

National Council of Teachers of English  
[http://www.ncte.org](http://www.ncte.org)

Society for Technical Communication  
Environmental Studies

McKendree University Organizations*
Green Team
   Advisors: Dr. Jim Feher, Dr. Duane Olson & Dr. Ben Jellen

Sigma Zeta
   Advisors: Dr. Robb Van Putte and Dr. Michele Schutzenhofer

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National Organizations
Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences
   http://www.aess.info/

National Council for Science and the Environment
   http://ncseonline.org/

Student Conservation Association
   www.thesca.org
History

McKendree University Organizations*
History Society
   Advisor: Dr. Patrick Folk

Phi Alpha Theta
   Advisor: Dr. Irwin Halfond

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National Organizations
American Association of Museums
   http://www.aam-us.org/

American Historical Association
   http://www.historians.org/

American Association for State and Local History
   http://www.aaslh.org

Matrix Center for Humane Arts, Letters, and Social Sciences
   http://www2.matrix.msu.edu/

Society for History Education
   http://www.csulb.edu/~histeach

World History Association
   http://www.thewha.org
International Relations/ Political Science/ Social Science

McKendree University Organizations*
Debate Team
  Advisor: Joe Blasdel

International Student Organization
  Advisor: Brent Reeves and Dr. Neil Quisenberry

Model United Nations
  Advisor: Dr. Brian Frederking

Phi Kappa Delta “Debate Honor Society”
  Advisor: Joe Blasdel

Pi Gamma Mu
  Advisor: Dr. J.L. Kemp

Pi Sigma Alpha
  Advisor: Dr. Ann Collins

Public Affairs Forum
  Advisor: Dr. Brian Frederking

Rotaract
  Advisor: Martha Eggers

Student Government Association
  Advisor: Dr. Joni Bastian

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National Organizations
American Association of Political Consultants
  http://www.theaapc.org/

The American Political Science Association
  http://www.apsanet.org/

American League of Lobbyists
  http://www.alldc.org
American Translators Association
https://www.atanet.org/

Foreign Policy Association
http://www.fpa.org/

Midwest Political Science Association
http://www.mpsanet.org/
Journalism

McKendree University Organizations*
Literary Interest Society
    Advisors: Dr. Nichole DeWall

McKendree Review
    Advisor: Gabe Shapiro

McKendree Yearbook
    Advisor: Michele Erschen

Montage Magazine
    Advisor: Dr. Jenny Mueller

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National Organizations
American Society of Media Photographers
    http://asmp.org/

American Society of Newspaper Editors
    http://www.asne.org/

National Press Photographers Association-Photojournalism
    http://www.nppa.org/

Magazine Publishers of America
    http://www.magazine.org/
Management/ Marketing

McKendree University Organizations*
McKendree Yearbook
   Advisor: Michele Erschen

Montage Magazine
   Advisor: Dr. Jenny Mueller

Phi Beta Lambda
   Advisor: Darren Cross

Sigma Beta Delta “National Business Honor Society”
   Advisor: Dr. John Watters

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National Organizations
American Management Association
   http://www.amanet.org/

American Marketing Association
   http://www.marketingpower.com/

Marketing Management Association
   http://www.mmaglobal.org/

Society for Business Ethics
   http://www.societyforbusinessethics.org/

Society for Human Resource Management
   http://www.shrm.org/

The Sales Association
   http://www.salesassociation.org/
Mathematics

McKendree University Organizations*
MathCats
   Advisor: Dr. Heather Dye

Sigma Zeta “Math & Science Honor Society”
   Advisor: Dr. Robb Van Putte and Dr. Michele Schutzenhofer

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National Organizations
American Astronomical Society
   http://www.aas.org

American Mathematical Society
   http://www.ams.org/

American Statistical Association
   http://www.amstat.org

Association for Women in Mathematics
   http://www.awm-math.org

Mathematical Association of America
   http://www.maa.org

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics
   http://www.nctm.org/

Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics
   http://www.siam.org
Music/ Music Education/ Music Business

McKendree University Organizations*
Chamber Choir & Vocal Jazz Ensemble  
Director: Maurice Egeston

Concert Band & Marching Bearcat Band  
Director: David Boggs

Concert Choir  
Director: Dr. Nancy Ypma

Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Combos, & Percussion Ensemble  
Director: David Boggs

Music Recruitment Team “MRT”  
Advisor: Shannon Streif

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National Organizations
National Association for Music Educators  
http://www.menc.org

College Music Society  
http://www.music.org
Occupational Therapy

McKendree University Organizations*
There are currently no McKendree organizations directly related to this major. Please see the section on "How to Start an Organization" on pages 57 & 58.

National Organizations
American Occupational Therapy Association
http://www.aota.org/

The American Occupational Therapy Foundation
http://www.aotf.org/
Philosophy

McKendree University Organizations*
Philosophy Club
  Advisor: Dr. Kevin Zanelotti

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National Organizations
American Academy of Religion
  http://www.aarweb.org/

American Philosophical Association
  http://www.apaonline.org/

American Philosophical Practitioners Association
  http://www.appa.edu

American Philosophical Society
  http://www.amphilsoc.org

Association for Practical and Professional Ethics
  http://www.indiana.edu/~appe

Society for Philosophy and Technology
  http://www.spt.org

Society for Women in Philosophy
  http://www.uh.edu/~cfreelan/SWIP/
Psychology

McKendree University Organizations*
Pi Gamma Mu
    Advisor: Dr. J.L. Kemp
Ps Chi
    Advisor: Dr. Linda Hoffman
Psychology Club
    Advisor: Dr. Tami Eggleston

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National Organizations
American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy
    http://www.aamft.org/
American Counseling Association
    http://www.counseling.org/
American Occupational Therapy Association
    http://www.aota.org/
The American Occupational Therapy Foundation
    http://www.aotf.org/
American Psychological Association
    http://www.apa.org
Association of Black Psychologists
    http://www.abpsi.org
Association for Psychological Science
    http://www.psychologicalscience.org/
Association for Women in Psychology
    http://www.awpsych.org
National Association of Qualified Developmental Disability Professionals
    http://www.qddp.org/
Society for Human Resource Management
    http://www.shrm.org
Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology, Inc.
    http://www.siop.org/
Religious Studies

McKendree University Organizations*
Campus Ministries
   Advisor: Dr. Rev. Tim Harrison

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National Organizations
American Academy of Religion
   http://www.aarweb.org/

American Association of Pastoral Counselors
   http://aapc.org/

Buddhist Association of the United States
   http://www.baus.org/

Muslim Students Association
   http://www.msanational.org/
Sociology

McKendree University Organizations*
Pi Gamma Mu
   Advisor: Dr. J.L. Kemp

Sociology Club
   Advisor: Dr. Stephen P. Hagan

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National Organizations
American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy
   http://www.aamft.org/

American Correctional Association
   http://www.aca.org/

American Counseling Association
   http://www.counseling.org/

The American Parole and Probation Association
   http://www.appa-net.org/eweb/

American Sociological Association
   http://www.asanet.org/

Council on Social Work Education
   http://www.cswe.org/

National Association of Social Workers
   http://www.naswdc.org/
Speech & Organizational Communication

McKendree University Organizations*
Debate Team
  Advisor: Joe Blasdel

Lambda Pi Eta “National Communication Honor Society”
  Advisor: Dr. Betsy Gordon

McKendree Radio
  Advisor: Peter Palermo

Phi Kappa Delta “Debate Honor Society”
  Advisor: Joe Blasdel

Montage Magazine
  Advisor: Dr. Jenny Mueller

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National Organizations
Public Relations Student Society of America
  http://www.prssa.org

Society for Human Resources Management
  http://www.shrm.org

Toastmasters International
  http://www.toastmasters.org/
Sports Management

McKendree University Organizations*
Intramural Sports
   Advisor: Kim Smallheer

Phi Beta Lambda
   Advisor Darren Cross

Sigma Beta Delta
   Advisor: Dr. John Watters

Wonders of Wellness
   Advisor: Dr. Karan Onstott

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National Organizations
Work In Sports
   http://www.workinsports.com

National Collegiate Athletic Association
   http://www.ncaa.org

Team USA
   http://www.teamusa.org

Professional Baseball Employment Opportunities
   http://www.pbeo.com

Team Work Online
   http://teamworkonline.com
Theater

McKendree University Organizations*
Alpha Psi Omega “National Honorary Theatre Fraternity”
  Advisor: Michelle Magnussen

Anime Club (McKAC)
  Advisor: Dr. Kevin Zanelotti

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National Organizations
American Association of Community Theatre
  http://www.aact.org/

Educational Theatre Association
  http://www.edta.org/

Screen Actors Guild
  http://www.sag.org/
All McKendree University Organizations*

Advanced Leaders Program
A.L.P.H.A.
Alpha Delta Gamma
Alpha Phi
Alpha Phi Omega
Alpha Psi Omega
Anime Club
Art Club
Association of Computing Machinery (ACM) - McKendree Chapter
Black Men of McKendree
Black Student Organization
Campus Activities Board
Campus Ministries
Chamber Choir & Vocal Jazz Ensemble
Cheerleading
Color Guard/ Winter Guard
Concert Band & Marching Bearcat Band
Concert Choir
Dance Team
Debate and Speech Team
Emerging Leaders Program
Games Club
Green Team “Environment Club”
History Society
Inter Greek Council
International Student Organization
Internship Program
Intramural Sports
Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Combos & Percussion Ensemble
Kappa Delta Pi (Chi Mu)
Kappa Lambda Iota (CLIO)
Kappa Sigma Tau
Lambda Pi Eta
Literary Interest Society (LIS)
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McKendree Yearbook
McKendree Young Feminists
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Pi Gamma Mu
Pi Sigma Alpha
Pre-Professional Students in Health Care
Psi Chi
Psychology Club
Public Affairs Forum
Residence Hall Association
Rotaract
Sigma Beta Delta
Sigma Sigma Sigma
Sigma Tau Delta
Sigma Zeta
Society of Athletic Trainers
Sociology Club
Spectrum Alliance
Student Ambassadors
Student Government Association
Student Illinois Education Association
Study Abroad Program
Team Bogey
Upsilon Pi Epsilon (UPE)
Wonders of Wellness (W.O.W)

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Sampling of Community Service Opportunities at McKendree*

Cedar Ridge

Christian Activity Center

Family Living Center

Franklin Tutoring

Lebanon Care Center

Second Chance Shelter

*See Center for Community Service for other volunteer opportunities involving: AIDS/HIV patients, animals, art, children, death and dying, the elderly, environmental, family, housing, hunger, international, legal, medical, mentally disabled, mentoring the sick, special needs, tutoring, violence prevention, and women.
General Community Service Opportunities

Global Service Corps  
www.globalservicecorps.org

Global Volunteer Network  
www.volunteer.org.nz

Idealist  
http://www理想ist.org/

National Association of Social Work  
www.socialwork.org

Peace Work Development Fund  
www.peacework.org

Projects Abroad  
www.projects-abroad.org

Serve.gov  
www.serve.gov

United Planet  
www.unitedplanet.org

United Way of Greater St. Louis  
http://www.stl.unitedway.org/

Volunteer Match  
http://www.volunteermatch.org/

Youth Noise  
http://www.youthnoise.com/
McKendree University Organizations

ADVANCED LEADERS PROGRAM
Information: The Advanced Leaders Program is an intensive, experiential leadership learning program for a select cohort of upperclassman students who are already active leaders at McKendree. This group will attend conferences, get new ideas for leading their group(s), and learn from one another’s leadership experiences on campus. The Advanced Leaders Program will consist of bi-weekly workshops, on- and off-campus activities, reflection, and service, as well as provide for the opportunity to mentor a student in the Emerging Leaders Program. Select members of the Advanced Leaders Program will travel to New Orleans to take part in the Leadership Exchange Program, a four-day leadership learning experience in the Spring of each year.
Qualifications: Current leadership role(s) in campus/community organizations, clubs, and programs. Must apply, interview, and be selected to participate in the program. Application deadline for the Advanced Leaders Program is mid-September.
Contact: Sarah Klucker, Director for Student Development and Leadership

A.L.P.H.A (AMAZING LADIES PURSUING HOLISTIC APPRECIATION)
Information: To provide first year African American females with the opportunity to engage with upperclassman African American female students who have adjusted to being students. The mentor will serve as a resource for how to get involved, as well as a friend to help with the stages of adjusting to the new journey as a college student. The goal is to provide a positive outlet for the students, so that they can learn and grow to become productive members of the McKendree Campus and in the real world following graduation.
Qualifications: To be a mentee: Must be a female first year or transfer student. To be a mentor: Must have a GPA of at least 2.3, at least sophomore status or higher, willing to commit to a full academic year as a mentor, not currently be involved in any judicial matters, and a willingness to attend training to be a mentor prior to the school year beginning.
Contact: Clarissa Melvin, Director of Academic Support Center

ALPHA DELTA GAMMA
Information: Alpha Delta Gamma (Alpha Eta Chapter) was installed on August 11, 2012 at McKendree University. The national fraternity was upon the values of the Five "S's"- Scholastic, Service, Spiritual, School Spirit, and Social. The Alpha Eta chapter is incredibly young as an organization but what we lack in legacy we make up for with opportunity. This is a chance for young men to make their mark and help McKendree University grow and improve. A journey like this requires hard work and sacrifice, but the benefits of brotherhood make the journey a fulfilling one. Though a Catholic fraternity, Alpha Delta Gamma accepts men of every faith- only asking that they be men of good character and strive to make the world a better place. The men of Alpha Delta Gamma strive to be highly involved with McKendree University and the surrounding community through tutoring, community service projects such as Trick-or-Treat/Bunny Hop for Canned Goods, attending sporting events and CAB programs.
Qualifications: Interested men must maintain a minimum of a 2.5 GPA and be enrolled as a full time student to receive a bid for membership.
Contact: Patrick Meyer, Interim Director of Greek Life

**ALPHA PHI (ATHLETIC TRAINING HONOR SOCIETY)**
**Information:** The society was created in 2005 by John Anderson at Troy University for students pursuing a degree in athletic training. The Purpose of Iota Tau Alpha Athletic Training Education Honor Society is the promotion and encouragement of scholarly activity in athletic training and the recognition of outstanding achievement among students enrolled in athletic training education programs. Iota Tau Alpha activities shall be designed to stimulate interest, scholarly attainment, investigation in Athletic Training Education, and to promote the dissemination of information among students of Athletic Training Education. The society has chapters at over 30 schools across the United States.

**Qualifications:** Only open to athletic training majors that fulfill all of the requirements and a onetime $20.00 fee when a student is initiated. In order to be eligible for status as a regular member of Iota Tau Alpha you must have a specific GPA, number of semesters completed, etc. Only regular members may hold the constitutionally specified chapter offices, vote on chapter membership, and represent the chapter or vote at national conventions.
**Contact:** Dr. Dawn Hankins, Professor and Curriculum Director of Athletic Training

**ALPHA PHI OMEGA**
**Information:** A co-ed national service organization with over 350,000 members initiated over the years. We are constantly planning different service events for members and for the campus community. Past service events include Red Cross Blood drives, highway cleanup, leaf raking, assistance at local nursing homes, collecting textbooks, donation walks, and blanket making. The past two semesters Alpha Phi Omega has organized a week of service to provide opportunities for students on campus to get involved. In addition to service, we try to foster leadership and friendship among our members. Members have several opportunities to gain valuable leadership experience from holding office in the organization, being chair of a committee, or being a member of a committee. At every meeting we begin with a general question such as: What is your favorite kind of pizza? What is one good thing that has happened this week to you? These questions help us learn new things about other members. Other brotherhood events include going to Applebee’s, bowling, playing games, movie nights, progressive dinners, and attending campus events together. The fraternity motto is: “Be a leader, be a friend, be of service.”

**Qualifications:** Must successfully complete an 8 week pledging period which starts around the first month of school each semester.
**Contacts:** Dr. Kevin Zanelotti, Associate Professor of Philosophy; Craig Robertson, Director of Campus Activities; Mitch Nasser, Director of Residence Life

**ALPHA PSI OMEGA “HONORARY THEATRE FRATERNITY”**
**Information:** Alpha Psi Omega is a national honorary theater fraternity. McKendree’s chapter, Alpha Theta, was chartered in 1927 and is one of the oldest active chapters in...
the country. Students earn points toward initiation through their work on campus productions, both main stage and student-directed work. Students can earn points as performers or as tech crew. The number of points a student earns is a reflection of the size of the task on which he/she worked. For example, a leading role earns more points than a smaller part, or the stage manager earns more points than someone who helped paint the set. Alpha Psi’s two main projects every year are selling refreshments at Theater Department productions and the Fine Arts Awards Night held every spring to honor outstanding student work in music, theater, and creative writing.

Qualifications: Membership in Alpha Psi Omega is earned by working on Theater Department productions. Students earn points based on the roles they play or the time they spend working behind the scenes. Once a student has earned enough points for membership, he or she is invited to pledge. However, our auditions and/or tech positions are open to anyone on campus. You do not have to be a theater major to be in or work on a show. In fact, many members of our casts and crews are not theater majors. Anyone interested can become involved in our productions in any way (even if they have never done theater before). For more information visit: www.mckendree.edu/theater

Contact: Michelle Magnussen, Assistant Professor of Theatre

ANIME CLUB (McKAC)
Information: The McKendree Anime Club meets to discuss the films and culture of Anime. "Anime" refers to a style of animation that originated in Japan and is heavily influenced by the Manga (Japanese comics). The club meets to view and discuss animated films and sponsors trips to area conventions that focus on Anime or Anime-related art forms.

Qualifications: None

Contact: Dr. Kevin Zanelotti, Professor of Philosophy

ART CLUB
Information: Art Club introduces students to galleries, museums, artists, artists’ studios, exhibitions, art events, field trips, aesthetic discussion groups, “how to” demonstrations, safety in the studio workshops, investments, etc. Art Club has also met with groups such as "Lawyers for Art" and the “Regional Arts Commission”.

Qualifications: No requirement to join other than the enjoyment of art.

Contact: David Ottinger, Professor of Art and Amy MacLennan

ASSOCIATION OF COMPUTING MACHINERY (ACM) MCKENDREE CHAPTER
Information: The primary aim of the group is to stimulate interest and knowledge in the science, design and applications of computing. Also, to provide a means of communication between persons with an interest in computing, as well as to serve both students enrolled at McKendree and the greater Metro East Community.

Qualifications: Must join the local ACM chapter.

Contact: Dr. Elizabeth Thiry, Assistant Professor of Computer or Connor White, McKendree ACM chapter President.
BLACK MEN OF MCKENDREE

**Information:** The Black Men of McKendree (BMcK) group provides an organization on campus for African-American males to be mentored and mentor others in the areas of academic and social growth, in addition to stimulating the interest and development of these students in campus and community involvement. The primary focus of this group is to develop and retain students who identify with and experience life from an African-American male perspective.

**Qualifications:** There is no initial GPA requirement for the first semester of participation in the organization. However, following the first semester of involvement members will be required to maintain a 2.3 GPA per semester. You can be a current student or a McKendree alumnus.

**Contact:** Brent Reeves, Director of Multicultural Affairs

BLACK STUDENT ORGANIZATION

**Information:** This organization was established to provide students with a forum to share common ideas and do activities associated with the African-American student experience on and off campus. It also provides students with opportunities for leadership and community service. Many former BSO leaders have gone on to other campus leadership positions and successful post-graduate and career opportunities. Some of the major annual activities of the BSO have been the BSO/NSO Back 2 School Pool Party; annual fall trip to Six Flags-St. Louis; high school mentoring and tutoring; Black History Month events; canned food drives for local food pantries; co-sponsorship of other campus activities/events.

**Qualifications:** Any currently registered student can become a member of the BSO regardless of race. There is a per semester membership due that has to be paid in order to maintain membership and have voting privileges.

**Contact:** Brent Reeves, Director of Multicultural Affairs and International Student Services

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES BOARD

**Information:** The Campus Activities Board (CAB) plans and executes alternative and diverse social, recreational, multicultural, and educational events for both the campus and community. CAB consists of a paid Executive Board and the Street Crew (volunteer, organizational committee members), allowing for students to network with professionals in the work force, while gaining personal growth in leadership skills, programming, and team creativity. The Campus Activities Board plans events that appeal to a college community of more than 1,400 students, including campus-wide traditional events, including Homecoming, Fall Family Weekend, and Spring Fling. Through the organization and promotion of these events, our staff will strive to effectively meet the needs and interests of McKendree students and provide leadership and learning experiences for those involved. CAB helps foster McKendree spirit throughout the Lebanon community, thereby improving the quality of student life. Meetings are conducted weekly between members to discuss information relevant to scheduled performers, events or activities. CAB also consists of other groups such as Team Bogey and New Student Orientation Group Leader/Peer Mentor.
Qualifications: Our applications are located online at: http://www.mckendree.edu/cab. We are looking for students who have the potential to be successful leaders at McKendree and beyond. It is our hope to give you a positive, enriching experience that will help prepare you for future endeavors.

Contact: Craig Robertson, Director of Campus Activities

CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Information: An ecumenical group that orchestrates services, events, and mission trips. Campus Ministries offers a variety of ways to get involved such as: Ecumenical Chapel on Wednesdays at 9 pm; Interfaith Group: focuses on ways the different faith traditions can share common ground and work together on common issues of justice with time and place to be announced (TBA); Fellowship of Christian Athletes: group of athletes or interested students gather for various talks on faith on Mondays at 9 pm and place TBA; Bible Study: groups on relationship building held on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings; Gospel Choir: meets for practice on Thursday evenings at 9:15 pm in the Chapel; Catholic Mass: meets every Sunday at 6 pm for Mass, all are welcome. Other opportunities include: A spring Break Mission trip (Location varies every year), various retreats and lock-in events, and opportunities to play or sing in a student band for chapel services or be a liturgist for Mass. Counseling and spiritual direction are also provided!

Qualifications: Open to anyone interested in exploring and developing their spiritual life and fellowship.

Contact: Dr. Rev. Tim Harrison, University Chaplain & Director of Church Relations

CHAMBER CHOIR & VOCAL JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Information: Chamber Choir is an 8-12 voice choral that specializes in a cappella performance. Each semester the Chamber Choir performs 1-2 concerts singing a variety of repertoire and styles. This group also represents the university to the community as it performs off campus in various venues and tours. This course may be taken for 1 or 0 credit. The course content consists of building the skills required to perform music without instrumental accompaniment, in styles that include sacred works, secular madrigals and popular music. (Audition required.)

Contact: Dr. Nancy S. Ypma, Professor of Music

Vocal Jazz Ensemble focusing on individual and small group ensemble singing. The group performs every semester with the other Jazz ensembles and focuses on a variety of repertoire from jazz to pop.

Contact: Mr. Maurice Egeston, Associate Music Faculty Member (mbegeston@mckendree.edu)

CHEERLEADING

Information: The McKendree University Cheerleaders currently cheer at home games for varsity football, varsity men’s basketball and varsity women’s basketball. Occasionally, we will travel to away games. We are compete at the NCA Collegiate Nationals in Daytona Beach, Florida in April. We are currently ranked 3rd in the Small Coed Division II category. The squad practices three to four times a week and has gymnastics class once a week. All members of the squad will receive a scholarship. Qualifications: Students must try out to join.
COLOR GUARD/WINTER GUARD

**Information:** Objective is to support an educational environment which fosters growth for the performers, instructors, designers, and judging communities. Scholarships are available for participation in the Marching Bearcat Band Color Guard, Avidity Winter Guard or for both ensembles.

**Qualifications:** Students must audition. Guard auditions consist of auditioning on one routine from a current or recently performed show which is at least 90 seconds in length. You will also need to demonstrate some of the fundamentals that are used in Color Guard and Winter Guard. The Avidity Winter Guard audition is held early each fall over a 2-3 day period. McKendree students are automatically included as part of the Avidity Winter Guard but must complete the audition process along with all the other applicants.

**Contacts:** David Boggs, Shannon Streif and Jayson Johnson

CONCERT BAND & MARCHING BEARCAT BAND

**Information:** Concert band invites students who play brass, woodwind, and percussion instruments to join the ensemble. The band will give at least two concerts each semester. The concert band performs the bests in traditional and contemporary wind band literature. The Concert Band also presents a series of Young People’s Concerts in the spring semester. The Marching Bearcat Band marches and performs at all regular season home games and occasionally travels to away football games and special events. They provide a wide variety of entertainment including performances with guest artists. Music performed ranges from pop, rock, country, Broadway, jazz, and classical. Percussion Ensemble is open to all percussion students.

**Qualifications:** Perform at a basic level on brass, woodwind, or percussion instrument.

**Contact:** David Boggs, Director of Bands

CONCERT CHOIR

**Information:** Concert Choir is actually a course but it is also considered an organization as many people join it just to sing! Students may take it to fulfill the General Education Fine Arts requirement, or as an elective for 1 credit hour, or for 0 credit just because they love to sing. Many students sing the entire time they are enrolled at McK, so great friendships develop in the group!

**Qualifications:** No audition is required; it meets MWF 12-12:50 and the choir performs 1-3 concerts a semester.

**Contact:** Dr. Nancy Ypma, Professor of Music, Director of Music Department and Chair of the Visual and Performing Arts Division

DANCE TEAM

**Information:** The PomCats perform at home football games, home basketball games, and other special events. Working closely with the Marching Bearcat Band, the PomCats perform and march at each game. As part of the McKendree Spirit Squad, the team also works with the McKendree Cheerleaders to promote school spirit. The team
practices 3-4 times a week to improve technique, learn new choreography, and practice routines.

**Qualifications:** Auditions are held once a year in the spring. Individual auditions and early signing can be arranged with the coach.

**Contact:** Katy Czerwonka, Head Coach

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**DEBATE AND SPEECH TEAM**

**Information:** The McKendree speech and debate team is a nationally ranked team that competes in intercollegiate tournaments across the nation. Our competitive focus is on parliamentary debate, Lincoln-Douglas debate, and individual events. Parliamentary debate emphasizes breadth of knowledge, public speaking, and teamwork. Parliamentary debate is different from the types of debate offered at the high school level, though many high school debaters have come to McKendree and been very successful. Lincoln-Douglas debate emphasizes research, depth of knowledge, and public speaking. Finally, we participate in individual events, which include acting and interpretation, limited preparation, and public speaking events, similar to the schedule of events on the high school level. Interpretation events include prose, poetry, drama, duo, and programmed oral interpretation. Limited preparation events include extemporaneous and impromptu speaking. Public speaking events include persuasion, informative, communication analysis, and after dinner speaking.

Between practices, team meetings, and tournaments (which typically start on Friday and end on Sunday), the speech and debate team does require a significant investment of time from its members. However, the rewards of participation more than make up for the time invested. In addition to traveling around the country, team members gain invaluable skills, including critical reasoning, organization, and public speaking that are valued in virtually any profession. Like members of athletic teams, you also have the honor of representing McKendree. But, perhaps most importantly, team members have a great deal of fun.

**Qualifications:** Open to anyone that is interested. High school speech and/or debate experience preferred, but not required.

**Contact:** Joe Blasdel, Speech and Debate Coach & Instructor of Political Science

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**EMERGING LEADERS PROGRAM**

**Information:** The Emerging Leaders Program is a program for first- and second-year students who are beginning to explore leadership growth and opportunities at McKendree University. This program will contain bi-weekly workshops, fun on- and off-campus activities, ample team-builders, and a service project. Students in the Emerging Leaders Program will be mentored by students in the Advanced Leaders Program and will also be expected to interview and shadow their mentor to learn more about how they came to be a leader on McKendree’s campus. Select members of the Emerging Leaders Program will travel to Topeka, Kansas, to compete in the Leadership Challenge Event in March.

**Qualifications:** An interest to learn more about yourself and a passion for leadership. Must apply, interview, and be selected to participate in the program. **Application deadline for the Emerging Leaders Program is late-September.**

**Contact:** Sarah Klucker, Director for Student Development and Leadership
GAMES CLUB
Information: Games Club is a social club that focuses on community through gaming. We bring students together to relieve stress, further strategic abilities, and just have fun. Games include board games, card games, video games, and role playing games. We plan campus wide open gaming events, travel to local gaming conventions, and do once a year mandatory community service that involves games and gaming.
Qualifications: 2.0 GPA
Contacts: Dr. Stephen P. Hagan, Assistant Professor of Sociology

GREEN TEAM “ENVIRONMENT CLUB”
Information: The Green Team is a student organization that focuses on issues related to the environment and sustainability. The Green Team helps to raise awareness about issues related to the environment through various service projects and through coordinating activities during the campus’ Earth Week activities in April.
Qualifications: All students are invited to join.
Contacts: Dr. Jim Feher, Associate Professor of Computing; Dr. Duane Olson, Associate Professor of Religion, & Dr. Ben Jellen, Assistant Professor of Biology

HISTORY SOCIETY
Information: The History Society is open to all McKendree students interested in the subject of history. It holds joint meetings and events with the McKendree chapter of Phi Alpha Theta. Activities include watching historical films and visiting local historical sites. On more than one occasion, the society has also organized and hosted Civil War reenactments on campus.
Qualifications: To join, students are not required to be history majors or minors, nor are they required to have had any particular classes or to maintain a certain GPA. All that is needed is an interest in history, as well as an eagerness to participate.
Contact: Dr. Patrick Folk, Professor of History

INTER GREEK COUNCIL
Information: Inter Greek Council is the governing and programming organization for the campus fraternities and sororities. Council meetings are held weekly and open to members of the Greek community to attend.
Qualifications: Must be an active member of a member fraternity or sorority who will nominate a delegate to council.
Contact: Patrick Meyer, Interim Director of Greek Life

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION
Information: The purpose of the group is to recognize and encourage diversity, support a global perspective, enhance campus life and activities through cross-cultural programming, and help to serve the needs of all international students.
Qualifications: None.
Contacts: Brent Reeves, Director of Multicultural Affairs and International Student Services or Dr. Neil Quisenberry, Professor of Sociology
INTERNSHIP PROGRAM
Information: The purpose of the McKendree University internship program is to link classes and career together in order to create a positive learning outcome. This program complements traditional course work by providing students the opportunity to apply classroom theory and knowledge in the work environment, while receiving academic credit for the experience. In addition to receiving academic credit, you will be building valuable professional relationships that may play an important role in your future.
Qualifications: Through the Career Services office, students with junior or senior standing may arrange an academic internship for 3-8 credit hours. McKendree’s program is designed to provide a hands-on learning experience in your undergraduate major or minor area. To qualify for the internship program you must have at least 60 credit hours, 12 hours completed in your major, and a GPA that is consistent with graduation requirements. In addition, to qualify for this program students must not have been on academic probation in the last academic year. Students are encouraged to explore the many opportunities that the internship program has to offer.
Contact: Jennifer Pickerell, Director of Career Services to schedule an appointment and learn more about this program. A complete selection of internship sites is available in our office.

INTRAMURAL SPORTS
Information: Intramural Sports and Student Recreation falls under the office of Student Affairs and is a significant co-curricular activity program that complements the formal academic curriculum. It offers recreational opportunities to currently enrolled McKendree University students, faculty, and staff in a number of competitive and structured activities. Participation in these activities can provide one with opportunities to have fun, learn new sports, meet people from other cultures, refine leadership skills, and test one’s physical ability, as well as offer a break from the academic routine. Team sports generally take on a league structure with a post-season tournament determining the champion. Special events can range from one-day to several day tournaments.
Qualifications: Currently enrolled McKendree student or a member of the faculty or staff.
Contact: Kim Smallheer, Director of Recreation Programs

JAZZ ENSEMBLE, JAZZ COMBOS, & PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE
Information: Jazz Ensemble performs standard jazz arrangements as well as the newest contemporary jazz publications. Performance opportunities include concerts, tours, and special events. The ensemble also performs with the jazz faculty and/or special guest artists two or three times a year. Jazz Combos are a small jazz chamber group that performs music of numerous different styles including: cool jazz, bebop, fusion, pop and others. This ensemble performs two to three times a semester. The Percussion Ensemble will perform at least two concerts each semester. This ensemble focuses on standard percussion literature from 1930’s to present day. Music from the programs will include selections for large and small percussion ensembles, as well as mixed groups for world and commercial percussion.
Qualifications: Perform at a basic level on brass, woodwind or percussion instrument.
Contact: David Boggs, Director of Bands

KAPPA DELTA PI (CHI MU) “EDUCATORS HONORARY SOCIETY”
Information: International Honor Society in Education. A dynamic learning community that recognizes and enhances growth in scholars and leaders as characterized by three main goals:
1) Recognizing and confirming the status of scholars and educators to achieve and sustain preeminence in teaching, scholarship, and service.
2) Focusing on effectively addressing the needs and members throughout all phases of their careers as scholars and educators.
3) Providing an energetic, diverse learning community that supports professional growth through high-quality programs, services, and products.
Qualifications: Cumulative GPA of 3.50 or higher, have completed the equivalent of 30 undergraduate semester hours (graduate students must have completed 12 graduate hours). Students must have completed 15 undergraduate semester hours of the total credits at McKendree University and be a candidate in the School of Education Program.
Contact: Dr. Timothy Richards, Associate Professor School of Education

KAPPA LAMBDA IOTA “CLIONIAN LITERARY SOCIETY” (CLIO)
Information: Kappa Lambda Iota was established in 1869 by Edith Flint, the first female graduate of McKendree, as the Clionian Literary Society. Dedicated to loyalty, friendship, and sisterhood, CLIO is classified as a social sorority. Throughout the school year, CLIO participates in many activities such as Homecoming, Spring Fling, parties and our philanthropy, Susan G Koman for breast cancer research. We participate in the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Walk during the summer as well as teaming up with CAB to hold McKendree Idol to fundraise money for the research. In CLIO, we make friendships that last a lifetime and have 140 years of Alumni to prove it.
Qualifications: Interested women must maintain a minimum of a 2.5 GPA and to be enrolled as a full-time student to receive a bid for membership.
Contact: Patrick Meyer, Interim Director of Greek Life

KAPPA SIGMA TAU
Information: Kappa Sigma Tau is a social sorority. We actively volunteer and raise funds for many different organizations and charities. The women believe that without Kappa Sigma Tau, and without each other, campus life would not be as fun as it is; we are all very close. Once you become a sister, you will always be a sister of Kappa Sigma Tau.
Qualifications: Interested women need a minimum of a 2.5 GPA and to be enrolled as a full-time student to receive a bid for membership.
Contact: Patrick Meyer, Interim Director of Greek Life; Barnett 107/Clark 111

LAMBDA PI ETA “NATIONAL COMMUNICATION HONOR SOCIETY”
Information: Lambda Pi Eta is the communication honor society. The organization has conducted “Meet the Communication Alumni” where our alum meet with any student from any major to discuss what careers the alumni are in, job possibilities in their field, as well as internship openings. Our organization has also conducted fundraising drives.
Qualifications: To be a member, you must be a major or minor in speech communication or organizational communication, must have completed 60 credits, and must have earned a 3.0 GPA with a 3.2 GPA in the major.
Contact: Dr. Betsy Gordon, Professor of Communication

LITERARY INTEREST SOCIETY (LIS)
Information: The Literary Interest Society attracts students from all fields and works to promote the enjoyment of literature on campus and in the surrounding community. LIS sponsors numerous events throughout the year, including book and bake sales, book and writing clubs, and poetry slams. All proceeds from fundraisers go towards McKendree’s annual Shakespeare Trip. The goal of LIS is to provide an opportunity for English majors and students from other disciplines to discuss, enjoy, and study all forms of literature and written expression.
Qualifications: Open to all students with an interest in literature or creative writing.
Contact: Dr. Nichole DeWall, Assistant Professor of English

THE LYN HUXFORD CENTER FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE (CCS)
Information: Students function as the operating team for the CCS office. They can coordinate weekly service opportunities ranging from nursing homes and after-school programs to transitional housing shelters. CCS students also organize several special events throughout the year that aim to involve the student population in service and awareness events, such as the Special Olympics and the Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week. CCS members meet once a week for general meetings, workshops, reflections and community events. Community Service Scholars and Fellows are required to attend every other week but all others are welcome as well. The Lyn Huxford Center for Community Service acts as a clearinghouse for external volunteer opportunities and is open for referrals.
Qualifications: Students interested in taking leadership roles are required the same commitment as Community Service Scholars and Fellows. All students are welcome to attend meetings and are welcome to participate in weekly or individual service. Some agencies may request more specific qualifications such as background checks or training.
Contact: Jessica Trout, Program Coordinator of The Lyn Huxford Center for Community Service, jntrot@mckendree.edu or 618-537-6901

MATHCATS
Information: The MathCats sponsors a wide variety of mathematical talks and activities on campus. Past activities have included origami, talks on student research, a mathematical movie night (such as a showing of Good Will Hunting), and an annual trip to the Illinois section meeting of the Mathematical Association of America.
Qualifications: You do not need to be a math major. The focus is on recreational mathematics and is a great group for education majors or people who enjoy puzzles.
Contact: Dr. Heather Dye, Assistant Professor of Mathematics
MARCHING BEARCAT BAND
Information: The Marching Bearcat Band marches and performs at all home regular season games and occasionally travels to away football games and special events. They provide a wide variety of entertainment including occasional performances with guest artists. Music performed ranges from pop, rock, country, Broadway, jazz, and classical.
Qualifications: Perform at a basic level on brass, woodwind or percussion instrument.
Contact: David Boggs, Director of Athletic Bands

MCKENDREE RADIO
Information: McKendree Radio is a startup, online media service aimed at providing an outlet for students to express their musical tastes and talents, engage the campus community in open intellectual discussion, and provide information and news to the students, faculty and staff of McKendree University.
Qualifications: None.
Contact: Peter Palermo, Director of the Hett

MCKENDREE REVIEW
Information: The McKendree Review heartily welcomes the involvement of all university community members – in fact, we are dependent on your involvement. The Review is a student-run organization that seeks to provide the McKendree University community with a wide range of interesting and important information about the university and its members. Working on or with The Review is an excellent way to gain important experience in journalism, collaborative work, and other areas that relate to the functions of a real enterprise. As an independent voice, staff members of The Review make all publication-related decisions. The adviser and all other McKendree personnel are prohibited from restricting or otherwise changing content before it is published.
Qualifications: The McKendree Review encourages any and all levels of participation. Whether you want to submit just one article or work on the newspaper and its website every week, we invite you to contact us. All students, faculty, alumni, and other members of the university community are invited to submit materials to The Review for potential publication. Any student may apply for writing, editing, web design, or other positions on the newspaper. While prior experience is not required, those with more experience will have a better likelihood of filling higher positions. Students are encouraged to take journalism courses. Those students interested in editor positions must first work for the newspaper for at least one semester. After that, they are welcome to submit credentials for these positions. Advertisements in The Review and university-wide emails announce these positions; students may also inform current editors of their interest in these positions. Editorships are usually accompanied by a small stipend.
Contact: Gabe Shapiro, Assistant Professor of Journalism and English
MCKENDREE YEARBOOK
Information: This group publishes a book to chronicle the events and issues occurring on and affecting the Lebanon campus. Students are involved in all aspects of this publication (creating page templates; deciding design elements and theme; taking pictures; developing copy for each page or group; creating and using online templates; proofreading; etc.).
Qualifications: Any undergraduate student is welcome to join this group. Although it may be helpful to enjoy photography, writing and/or design, or have experience in these areas, it is not necessary.
Contact: Michele Erschen, Director of Community Relations and Marketing

MCKENDREE YOUNG FEMINISTS
Information: The McKendree Young Feminists is for young women and men who are committed to gender equality and to feminist goals. We sponsor a variety of activities on campus, including Love Your Body Day each year in October and The Vagina Monologues in February. Our mission is to raise awareness and advocate for feminism and gender equality.
Qualifications: The group is open to both women and men, and no specific major or minor is required.
Contact: Dr. Shelly Lemons, Associate Professor of History

MODEL UNITED NATIONS (MODEL UN)
Information: The McKendree Model United Nations program both attends regional and national Model UN conferences and hosts its own on-campus Model UN conference for local high schools. All McKendree students are invited to join and participate in Model UN. Local high schools are welcome to participate in McKendree’s high school Model UN conference as well.
Qualifications: None
Contact: Dr. Brian Frederking, Professor of Political Science & Chair of the Division of Social Science

MONTAGE MAGAZINE
Information: The Montage is McKendree’s student-run, student-edited literary magazine. The Montage publishes original fiction, poetry, drama, and creative nonfiction by McKendree students. An editor (or editors) is selected each year; application guidelines are posted annually. In addition, after an editor is named, many McKendree students work on a volunteer basis to help produce the magazine and select its contents.
Qualifications: Applicants for the editor’s position should have demonstrable interest in creative writing/literature and in editing publications; experience in both fields preferred. A minimum GPA standard must also be met.
Contact: Dr. Jenny Mueller, Associate Professor of English

MUSIC RECRUITMENT TEAM “MRT”
**Information:** The Music Recruitment Team (MRT) is made up of several McKendree music students and the Music Admission Counselor. The primary goal of the group is to help high school students through the process of applying for college and then auditioning and becoming part of a music program. MRT assists the music department with their recruiting efforts by making telephone calls and emails to prospective students. The MRT works year-round and can be found at many different events such as high school marching band competitions, music conferences, winter guard competitions, as well as visiting your high school!

**Qualifications:** Must be a current music student, majors and minors preferred. Must be eligible for Federal Work Study as this is a paying position. Volunteers are used on a more as needed basis for larger events.

**Contact:** Shannon Streif

**NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION GROUP LEADER/ UNIVERSITY 101 PEER MENTOR**

**Information:** The “Job” of an NSO leader is to: welcome new students and parents of diverse ages and backgrounds; support the University’s purpose and goals for orientation; actively engage with students and provide overall support to make each program a success in accordance with goals and mission; attend August training sessions; facilitate group presentations and discussions on subjects such as academics and campus issues; assist with supervision of scheduled orientation events; assist with Bearcat Week Events; serve as a New Student Mentor within the University 101 setting; assist with the Staff Selection Process. A stipend for orientation and University 101 peer mentor is given to students who are selected through application. In order to be a Peer Mentor, one must work with and be responsible to the University 101 faculty in the implementation of the University 101 class sessions for new undergraduate students. They are responsible for assisting with the facilitation of class sessions for a group of approximately 20 students – most of who were within the mentor’s New Student Orientation group. The University 101 Peer Mentor acts as a resource for new students and helps to create opportunities for them to make connections with each other, faculty and the McKendree community.

**Qualifications:** Full-time student, sophomore status, 2.3 or above GPA, enthusiasm for McKendree life, commitment to assisting students, open-minded, and a strong motivator.

**Contact:** Craig Robertson, Director of Campus Activities

**PHI ALPHA THETA**

**Information:** Phi Alpha Theta, founded in 1988, is the International History Honors Society chapter at McKendree University. Phi Alpha Theta sponsors historical events in conjunction with the McKendree History Society, with which it holds joint meetings. In addition, members present papers at annual regional conferences and biannual national conferences.

**Qualifications:** To be eligible, students must complete at least 12 semester hours of History with a G.P.A. of 3.1 or better in History and have at least a 3.0 overall G.P.A.

**Contact:** Dr. Irwin Halfond, Professor of History
PHI BETA LAMBDA
Information: Although this is a business organization, students of all majors will benefit from the professional development programs and are invited to join our organization. The McKendree chapter of Phi Beta Lambda is part of a national student organization for those interested in any aspect of the business environment. It is a chapter of Future Business Leaders of America/Phi Beta Lambda - the "largest business based student organization in the world." Our mission is to bring business and education together in a positive working relationship through innovative leadership and career development programs. Some activities include: traveling to leadership conferences; community service projects; leadership development; networking with local business owners; fund-raising; social outings; and competing in competitive business events.
Qualifications: Anyone can join. Dues are $30 per year.
Contact: Darren Cross; Assistant Professor of Management

PHI ETA SIGMA
Information: Founded in 1923, Phi Eta Sigma is the nation's oldest and largest honor society for first-year college and university students in all disciplines. Inspired by the past and dedicated to the future, the Society's mission is to encourage and reward academic excellence. The three Greek words appearing on the society's crest form the motto of the organization: "Knowledge is Power."
Qualifications: Membership is open to first-year students who have a cumulative grade-point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale at the end of any full-time curricular period, a normal academic load acceptable toward a bachelor's degree, and a class rank in the upper 20 percent of their class.
Contact: Dr. Ann Collins, Associate Professor of Political Science; Jennifer Miller, Director of Student Success and Retention

PHI KAPPA PHI “HONOR SOCIETY”
Information: Our chapter (Chapter 292) is a thriving organization that meets frequently, holds annual initiation and tapping ceremonies, and applies frequently for Phi Kappa Phi’s select scholarships, grants, and fellowships. Founded in 1897, Phi Kappa Phi is the nation’s oldest, largest, and most selective all-discipline honor society. Each year, approximately 34,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni are initiated into the society from college and university campuses throughout the U.S., Puerto Rico and Philippines. Phi Kappa Phi’s motto, “Let the Love of Learning Rule Humanity,” exemplifies the society and complements the tradition of McKendree as “a Pioneer of Learning.”
Qualifications: No one can apply to be a member of Phi Kappa Phi. Only the top 7.5% of juniors and the top 10% of seniors are invited to join Phi Kappa Phi.
Contacts: Dr. Nichole DeWall, Assistant Professor of English

PHILOSOPHY CLUB
Information: The Philosophy Club is a forum for those interested in addressing the "big questions" that face us all. Intended for philosophy majors/minors as well as for the general McKendree community, the club sponsors discussions on issues ranging from
environmental ethics and the ethics of torture to traditional questions regarding free will, the nature of the "good life," and much more. The club also sponsors events such as "philosophy film night," where we watch a film and then discuss the underlying issues. 

**Qualifications:** None; just an interest in philosophy.

**Contact:** Dr. Kevin Zanelotti, Professor of Philosophy

**PI GAMMA MU**

**Information:** Founded in 1924, Pi Gamma Mu is an International Honor Society in Social Sciences. The Social Sciences include: Psychology, Sociology, Economics, and Political Science majors. This is a great society that volunteers within the local community, holds monthly meetings, and conducts fun group outings. Not only does PGM look great on a resume, there are also scholarship opportunities for graduate students who are members.

**Qualifications:** To be eligible for membership you must be a junior, senior, or graduate student, you must have a GPA of 3.0, and have completed 20 semester hours in social sciences courses. The international initiation fee is $40 and the McK chapter fee is $10.

**Contact:** Dr. J.L. Kemp, Associate Professor of Psychology

**PI KAPPA DELTA “SPEECH AND DEBATE HONOR SOCIETY”**

**Information:** Pi Kappa Delta is the honor society for members of the speech and debate team. Please see the description of the speech and debate team for more details.

**Qualifications:** Also see speech and debate team description.

**Contact:** Joseph Blasdel, Instructor of Political Science, Speech & Debate Coach

**PI SIGMA ALPHA**

**Information:** Pi Sigma Alpha is the national political science honor society. The society recognizes academic excellence and promotes engagement, lifelong learning, and responsible citizenship by bringing together students and faculty interested in the study of government and politics.

**Qualifications:** Membership in Pi Sigma Alpha is open to juniors, seniors, and graduate students currently enrolled in programs of political science in institutions where chapters are located. Undergraduates must meet the following criteria: They must be at least juniors who have completed at least ten semester-credits (or 15 quarter-credits if their institution is on the quarter system) of work in political science including at least one upper-division course, with an average that places them in a grade of B or higher in those courses. They must have achieved an overall GPA placing them in the top one-third of their whole class (i.e., junior or senior class). They need NOT be political science majors to qualify for membership.

**Contact:** Dr. Ann Collins, Associate Professor of Political Science

**PRE-PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS IN HEALTH CARE**

**Information:** This student group was originally formed so faculty and senior students could advise students in general with questions they might have about medical school applications and assist them through the process of applying.
**Qualifications:** There are no qualifications for admission, just an interest in applying for medical school and the willingness to help others.

**Contact:** Dr. Robb Van Putte, Professor of Biology

**PSI CHI**

**Information:** Psi Chi, the International Honor Society for Psychology, is an organization for the purpose of advancing the science of psychology, as well as encouraging, stimulating, and maintaining excellence in our students’ scholarship and community service activities. The chapter at McKendree University consists of students who serve their field in a variety of ways, including planning events aimed at providing community service to a neighboring nursing home, various on-campus activities, and supporting the original independent research of our members at various psychological research conferences.

**Qualifications:** To be inducted into Psi Chi a student must have completed nine (9) semester hours of psychology courses, have registered for major or minor standing in psychology, and meet the GPA requirements for their class rank.

**Contact:** Dr. Linda E. Hoffman, Associate Professor of Psychology

**PSYCHOLOGY CLUB**

**Information:** The purpose of this club is to bring together students of McKendree University who have a major, minor, concentration, or just an interest in psychology. Psychology Club provides an opportunity to meet other people and gain leadership experience. Psychology Club is committed to responsible citizenship and serving the community and therefore we participate in volunteer activities. Psychology Club will hold scheduled meetings which are to be determined by the President and Office members.

**Qualifications:** There are no membership qualifications for Psychology Club other than an interest in psychology and a $10 annual membership fee.

**Contact:** Dr. Tami Eggleston, Professor of Psychology & Associate Dean

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS FORUM**

**Information:** PAF is a nonpartisan group for political science and international relations majors. PAF sponsors voter registration drives during election years; holds a variety of events on campus, including debates, roundtables, and speakers; and puts together events about graduate school/law school and other interests of its members.

**Qualifications:** Political Science or International Relations majors

**Contact:** Dr. Brian Frederking, Professor of Political Science & Chair of the Division of Social Science

**RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION**

**Information:** Residence Hall Association is a Registered Student Organization at McKendree University. We work toward creating a welcoming community environment for all residential students. We act as a voice for students and to serve the McKendree University community with programming and service. Some past activities that RHA has done include: Alcohol Awareness Mocktail Parties, Dodgeball Tournaments, Sex Education Parties, Tye-Dye Programs, and assisting other organizations with their endeavors.
Qualifications: All students are welcome and encouraged to join and make McKendree a spirited and enjoyable home for all who live here.

Contact: Nicki Halopka, Resident Director or Mitch Nasser, Director of Residence Life

ROTARACT

Information: Members of the Rotaract Club, "Rotaractors," serve with the motto "Fellowship through Service" which also reflects the aim of the club. Our McKendree Bearcat Rotaract Club organizes projects in four areas of service: Community (for example, carving pumpkins for area nursing homes and day care centers, making Valentines for the nursing home residents, and donating to the Angel Tree project), International (donating to the Heifer Project and purchasing soccer balls for schools in Hungary), Professional Development (job shadowing Rotarians to learn about their careers and hearing of their career paths), and Club (hosting an Interact with Rotaract night for area high school groups sponsored by Rotary clubs). Internationally, Rotaract Clubs are part of a global effort to bring peace and international understanding to the world and are the young adult/college branch of Rotary International. Rotaract Clubs provides an opportunity for young adults to enhance the knowledge and skills that will assist them in personal development, to address the physical and social needs of their communities and to promote better relations between all people worldwide through a framework of friendship and service.

Qualifications: University men and women who believe they can make a difference.

Contact: Martha Eggers, Assistant Professor Emeritus, and Amanda Flowers as President

SIGMA BETA DELTA “NATIONAL BUSINESS HONOR SOCIETY”

Information: Sigma Beta Delta is a national business honor society. Besides the induction dinner in the spring, the local chapter attends local events such as the Lanter Lecture series.

Qualifications: Students do not apply for membership, they are chosen by the business faculty on the basis of high academic achievement. Briefly, the top 20% of graduate business students and seniors, and the top 10% of juniors are eligible for membership. All business students are considered for membership, regardless of program, specific major, or campus of attendance.

Contact: Dr. John Watters, Associate Professor of Economics

SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA

Information: Sigma Sigma Sigma (Theta Gamma Chapter) is the newest sorority to campus Greek Life. The chapter was installed on April 9, 2011. As women of Sigma Sigma Sigma, we hold our values and mission close to our hearts. The mission of Sigma Sigma Sigma is to establish among its members a perpetual bond of friendship, to develop in them strong womanly character, and to impress upon them high standards of conduct. Our values are wisdom, power, faith, hope and love. We make sure we demonstrate these values on a daily basis. At McKendree, we participate in many campus activities, sisterhood events and socials, and leadership opportunities!

Qualifications: Interested women need a minimum of a 2.5 GPA and to be enrolled as a full time student to receive a bid for membership.
Contact: Patrick Meyer, Interim Director of Greek Life

SIGMA TAU DELTA “ENGLISH HONOR SOCIETY”
Information: Sigma Tau Delta is the international English honor society. Its purposes are to confer distinction for high achievement in English language and literature in undergraduate, graduate and professional studies; to promote interest in literature and the English language on local campuses and their surrounding communities; and to foster the discipline of English in all its aspects, including creative and critical writing.
Qualifications: A student must have an overall GPA of 3.0 or better and a GPA of 3.0 or better in McKendree English courses. Also the student must have completed at least 3 McKendree English courses numbered 200 or higher.
Contacts: Dr. John Greenfield, Professor of English or Dr. Martha Patterson, Professor of English

SIGMA ZETA “MATH AND SCIENCE HONOR SOCIETY”
Information: A national undergraduate honor society to encourage and foster the attainment of knowledge in the natural, mathematical, and computer sciences to recognize the attainment of high scholarship among society members.
Qualifications: Any student in at least his or her second year at McKendree who is majoring in mathematics, biology, chemistry, or computer science who has completed the equivalent of 25 semester hours toward [their] degree, including 15 semester hours within their course of study and who has a grade-point average of 3.0 in the sciences and mathematics and a grade point average of 3.0 in all subjects including the sciences and mathematics.
Contacts: Dr. Robb Van Putte, Professor of Biology and Dr. Michele Schutzenhofer, Assistant Professor of Biology

SOCIETY OF ATHLETIC TRAINING STUDENTS
Information: Started by athletic training students at McKendree in 2009, this organization is open to all students currently in the athletic training education program. The society’s main function is service within and outside of McKendree University.
Qualifications: Only open to athletic training students that are in good academic standing within the major and there is a fee of $10.00 per year.
Contact: Katy Gayford, Instructor & Clinical Coordinator of Athletic Training

SOCIeLOGY CLUB
Information: The Sociology Club is a social co-curricular organization that promotes a greater understanding of sociology and social justice. The Sociology Club does some social service activities as well as promotes the professionalization of our students. The organization makes an annual trip to the Midwest Sociological Society conference where several students present their original research.
Qualifications: The group is open to sociology/criminal justice majors, minors, and others with an interest in sociology.
Contacts: Dr. Stephen P. Hagan, Assistant Professor of Sociology
SPECTRUM ALLIANCE
**Information:** Spectrum Alliance is a social, educational, and political organization for members and straight allies of the GLBT (gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender persons, and their allies) community that endeavors to promote political action, social reform, education, awareness, cultural, and community service for GLBT causes. The group has monthly meetings to discuss topical issues and to plan future meetings. Current activities include movie and dinner nights, professional presentations, campus awareness issues, and national conferences. All who are interested are welcome to attend monthly meetings.

**Qualifications:** Open to everyone including the GLBT community and their straight allies.

**Contacts:** Dr. Darryn Diuguid, Associate Professor of Education; Dr. Alan Alewine, Professor of Mathematics; Dr. Neil Quisenberry, Professor of Sociology

STUDENT AMBASSADORS
**Information:** Student Ambassadors is a dynamic team of leaders dedicated to serving the McKendree University community. By encouraging enthusiasm, commitment, and campus participation from our members, we are striving to serve McKendree students of the past, present, and future. Working closely with the Admission Office and Alumni Relations allows us to accomplish our goal of creating a positive and lasting first impression. Being a student ambassador at McKendree University is more than just giving an occasional tour, it’s about working together to continually improve the quality of the university for students of the past, present, and future. The key role of the ambassador is that of a representative of the university to alumni, current students, and prospective students. By representing the university in a positive way, ambassadors will continue to improve the quality of student that McKendree recruits as well as the quality of graduate that McKendree produces. The McKendree University community and the Admission staff, in particular, spend a tremendous amount of time and energy in the recruitment of students. The efforts and desire of the student ambassador to see McKendree continue to strive directly result in the success of the university.

**Qualifications:** Students can apply for the ambassador position during the first week of school during the fall semester. In addition to an application, students must complete an interview with the professional staff before they can be selected as an ambassador. The application process is competitive.

**Contact:** Josie Blasdel, Director of Undergraduate Admissions

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
**Information:** The McKendree University Student Government Association is the representative voice of the student body. Student Government Association serves three primary roles: to distribute funds to registered student organizations, to sponsor campus events and initiatives, and to promote communication between the students, faculty, and administration.

**Qualifications:** Students are elected into position based on votes cast from other students.

**Contact:** Dr. Joni Bastian, Vice President for Student Affairs
STUDENT ILLINOIS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (SIEA)
Information: SIEA is a professional organization which links students who are planning a career in teaching with a state and national teacher's organization. Membership in this program can provide students with professional contacts throughout the state and nation, up-to-date information that goes beyond skills learned in a college classroom, publications at the national and state level, liability insurance coverage any time you are in a classroom, professional workshops, and resume/networking services. Monthly activities include on-campus Live Text workshops, professional presentations, community outreach programs and a McKendree University and state conference.
Qualifications: Any student interested in the education of today’s youth.
Contacts: Dr. Darryn Diuguid, Associate Professor of Education and Dr. Brenda Doll, Associate Professor of Education

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM
Information: McKendree, in partnership with the Institute for Study Abroad, Butler University, (www.ifsa-butler.org), offers students study abroad opportunities at over 90 colleges and universities in 15 countries, including Australia, China, England, India, Ireland, New Zealand, Scotland, Wales, Argentina, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Mexico, and Peru. The McKendree Office of Study Abroad works in conjunction with IFSA-Butler staff to prepare students for the academic and cultural changes that await them. With offices around the world, they can provide on-site support to help students make the most of their study experiences, provide academic and personal support services, as well as assistance from the time students apply until they return. Students from all disciplines can now have this enriching and eye-opening adventure, where learning extends to the world beyond the classroom walls. Frequently, much of a student’s financial aid package can be utilized with a Study Abroad experience.
Qualifications: The Study Abroad Program is offered to any student who has accumulated a minimum of 45 credit hours and has achieved a GPA of at least 2.75.
Contact: Sarah Klucker, Director for Student Development and Leadership

TEAM BOGEY
Information: Our goal is to promote activities and enthusiasm that will lead to lifelong involvement and commitment to McKendree Athletics and Team Bogey. We work together with the McKendree Pep Band and cheerleaders to get the crowds hyped up and to bolster Bearcat Spirit and Pride. Team Bogey is currently a social committee within Campus Activities Board that emphasizes fun and a crazy spirit! We want students and McKendree fans to help us create a home-field/court advantage at McKendree sporting events. To do this, we need loud, creative and fun students to make this happen.
Qualifications: A promise to assist the Team Bogey staff and cheerleaders in creating a home field/court advantage at McKendree Athletic events, be respectful of those around me at Athletic events and refrain from using offensive language, and display
positive sportsmanship towards game officials, visiting teams, and visiting fans at McKendree Athletic events.

**Contact**: Craig Robertson, Director of Campus Activities

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**UPSIŁON PI EPSILON (UPE)**

**Information**: The mission of UPE is to recognize academic excellence at both the undergraduate and graduate levels in the Computing and Information Disciplines. UPE is a member of the [Association of College Honor Societies](https://achs.org) (ACHS). UPE was first organized at Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, in 1967. The international organization now consists of chapters in various colleges and universities in North America and overseas. UPE is the first and only, existing international honor society in the Computing and Information disciplines.

**Qualifications**: Students must maintain a specific grade point average to be considered and are invited to join by the current members at least once a year.

**Contacts**: Jim Feher, Advisor and Jon Ciembronowicz, Student President.

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**WONDERS OF WELLNESS (W.O.W)**

**Information**: The mission of the Wonders of Wellness (W.O.W.) organization is to provide opportunities for members to develop both professionally and personally through planning, implementation, and participation in health and wellness-related events, programs, and activities (in all eight dimensions) which foster conceptual learning, service learning, skill building, professional development, and personal wellness. This is achieved by providing health and wellness opportunities to all members of the McKendree University community and neighboring areas. The W.O.W. organization was officially formed in October of 2008. The group meets regularly to plan health and wellness activities both on and off campus. We work with other groups on campus to co-sponsor activities. Our members organize and volunteer for community-sponsored events as well.

**Qualifications**: Anyone who is interested in learning about and promoting the concepts of health and wellness.

**Contact**: Dr. Karan Onstott, Assistant Professor of Health Promotion/Wellness.
Didn’t see an organization that you wanted to belong to…..
Start your own!!

How to start an organization
The Registration process is outlined below. The entire process can take a bit of time because of the steps involved. Approval for new organizations is required from the Office of Student Affairs. It pays to be prepared and to keep in contact with the Office of Campus Activities and the Office of Student Affairs regarding your organization’s status.

Once your initial information has been submitted and it receives approval from the Office of Campus Activities and the Office of Student Affairs, your organization is granted certain privileges. Therefore, you can start actively recruiting new members, publicizing your organization, and reserving University facilities.

Maintaining Recognition
Registered Student Organizations (RSOs) assume both privileges and responsibilities. In order to maintain recognition status, all organizations must register within the specified dates of the start of the Fall Semester every year. Changes in officer and member status should be reported to the Office of Campus Activities when they occur.

Organizations failing to register within this time period will become defunct, losing all privileges of a recognized student organization at McKendree University. Defunct organizations are eligible to apply for re-admission. The re-admission process for defunct student organization will be the same process as for new organizations.

Recognition Process

Step One:
The first step to form a RSO at McKendree is to complete an “Intent to Organize” form, which can be found at http://www.mckendree.edu/student-life/involvement/rso/resources/index.php. There must be at least seven (7) interested McKendree students in order to begin this process. The packet will explain this number further. Completion of this form will grant pending status to groups awaiting formal recognition. This will give the organization the following privileges:
- The right to reserve university facilities for the purpose of holding initial organizational meetings.
- The right to publicize group meetings.
- The right to invite membership.

Step Two:
Within 30 days of completing the "Intent to Organize" form, the organization will complete the remaining requirements for recognition:
- Write a constitution
- Select an advisor
- Become familiar with the Registered Student Organization Handbook
- Complete the New Student Organization Checklist

Step Three:
Return all information to the Office of Campus Activities (Lower Deneen Center – The Lair) for review.
Step Four:
The Director of Campus Activities will forward requests for recognition to the Office of Student Affairs. The Office of Student Affairs reviews the request and constitution for compliance with local, state, and federal laws and university policy.

Step Five:
If changes are necessary, the Office of Student Affairs will request that revisions be made to the recognition request. If changes are not necessary and the request meets specifications, formal recognition shall be granted.

Step Six:
Official campus recognition is an honor and recognized organizations assume responsibilities and privileges. This is an organizational status and must be maintained. All organizations must re-register before mid-August of the Fall Semester each academic year. Upon recognition, organizations have the following privileges:

- Use of University facilities, equipment and services (within McKendree University policy guidelines) for purposes relative to organization goals (some restrictions apply).
- Permission to conduct fundraising that will benefit members.
- Right to request funds from the Student Government Association or to access previously allocated funds.
- Right to participate in all University events.
- Use of the University name, mailing address and mailroom.
- Use of the University tax-exempt status.
- Establishment of a budget account with the business office for financial transactions.
- Use of desk or storage space in the lower Pearsons area.
- Use of electronic storage space for your organization.
- Ability to maintain an organizational web site.
- Recognition from McKendree University, which allows participation in events such as the Involvement Fair, Bearcat Week, Homecoming, and Spring Fling.
- Permission to hold events, meetings and other activities on the McKendree University campus.
- Listings in campus publications.
- The use of on-campus printing and duplication services.
- The use of campus vehicles (pending proper training and authorization through Public Safety)
- The right to assemble
- Participation in training and workshops geared towards strengthening your student organization.

To continue privileges of a recognized student organization, the organization must abide by established University policies and regulations. By seeking official recognition, the membership of the student organization acknowledges that the organization will be operated in a fiscally responsible manner and that the University is not responsible for any financial obligation made by a student organization.