
This is an unofficial summary of the points that are listed in the Clubs Policy. This document should be used for educational purposes only. References to policy should be done in the official version found on the CUS website.

1. In the CUS Constitution, the overarching term used to reference a club is a “CUS Recognized Club.” All clubs are sub-classified into three categories based upon their relationship with the CUS: An Industry Club, an Affiliated Club, or an Inactive Club. Club classification is granted by the Executive Council by a simple majority vote. If a club is listed as inactive, the reason for being listed as inactive will be listed in the Clubs Policy.
2. All clubs that are current CUS Recognized Clubs are listed in the Clubs Policy with their current classification.
3. To be classified as a CUS Recognized Club, certain requirements must be met, such as being an AMS Club, not controlled by a third-party organization, or not being a for-profit business. (See the Clubs Policy for a full list of requirements). In terms of club membership, there is a membership minimum and ratio requirement of executives to general members. An application can be made to the CUS Board of Directors to allow to exemption from the membership requirements of the Clubs Policy. A presentation must also be made to the Executive Council prior to receiving club classification. Approval to become a CUS Recognized Club will be granted by the Executive Council. If the club is to become an Industry Club, the decision must be ratified by the Board of Directors.
4. In addition to certain club requirements, some documentation must also be produced one week before the Executive Council meeting. (See the Clubs Policy for a full list of documentation)
5. If a club successfully becomes a CUS Industry Club, all operations of the club will be independent of the CUS. While the CUS does have oversight of finances, sponsorship transactions, and club membership fee transactions, the CUS will maintain an “intervention if necessary” stance for all issues. Issues must be serious in nature if order for the CUS to intervene. All CUS Industry Clubs are considered to be a part of the Commerce Undergraduate Society.
6. CUS Affiliated Clubs will be entitled to one set of benefits compared to an Industry Club. These are minimal in nature and will only suffice certain clubs. (See the Clubs Policy for a full list of benefits)
7. CUS Industry Clubs will be entitled another set of benefits as compared to an Affiliated Club. These are substantial in nature but come with more responsibility to the CUS. (See the Clubs Policy for a full list of benefits)
8. Financial Subsidies for Affiliated Clubs differ from Industry Clubs. Affiliated Clubs will only receive a small amount of funding where Industry Clubs receive a larger amount. Both subsidies are a blend of

fixed and variable portions of funding. The fixed portion of funding is delivered as soon as the club has had their contribution approved by the CUS Board of Directors and the variable portion is delivered at the end of September after the majority of club recruitment. The CUS assumes no financial liability for clubs. Funding for CUS Industry Clubs must go towards the operations of a club, and not towards any substantial conference or event beyond the traditional operations of the club. (In other words, “don’t spend it all in one place”)

9. The CUS has specific responsibilities towards a CUS Affiliated Club. (See the Clubs Policy for a list of these responsibilities)

10. The CUS also has specific responsibilities towards a CUS Industry Club. (See the Clubs Policy for a list of these responsibilities)

11. Clubs’ Council is a meeting of the all the CUS Industry Clubs Presidents (or an official designate). The purpose is to advise on issues within CUS Recognized Clubs (both Industry and Affiliated Clubs). This is chaired by the CUS VP Internal.

12. CUS Policies shall be enforced on all CUS Industry Clubs, unless the club already has procedures in place as per their club’s constitution. If the club already has verifiable procedures in place, then enforcement of CUS Policies shall not apply. If a club does not have specific procedures outlined, then they must follow CUS Policy.

13. Every year, all CUS Recognized Clubs must have their classification reregistered. Reregistration must happen by the date specified in the Clubs Policy. Industry Clubs will only need to submit documentation for the next year to maintain their classification. Affiliated Clubs must reapply to be an Affiliated Club prior to the submission date every year. If a club fails to submit their documentation or re-apply to be an Affiliated Club, the club will automatically be listed as an inactive club and will not receive any further benefits from the CUS.

14. A CUS Industry Club is free to sponsor other events using the money they have been provided (but not all of it, as already mentioned in the policy). If an Industry Club decides to sponsor an event, the CUS does not take on any liability for that event. Any benefits that an Industry Club receives are non-transferable to the event being sponsored.