



## December 2023

Dear Yellowjacket Leaders,

It's December... can you believe it?! The semester is quickly coming to an end, and I am so impressed by each of your efforts and how they have impacted campus life. Students have attended your amazing programs, written for your publications, performed in your events, gained awareness, learned how to better navigate relationships, and so much more. We can finish strong by taking advantage of the resources shared in this Insider! Don't forget to get enough sleep, attend study breaks, and be kind to one another. Have a safe and relaxing winter break - Wilson Commons Student Activities looks forward to starting anew in January!

Stay warm,

Brian Magee, Interim Director of Student Activities

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Friday, January 19th, 12:30 - 2 p.m.

Winterfest Weekend

Thursday, February 1 - 4th

Leadership Appreciation Reception

Friday, February 9th, 3:30 - 5 p.m.

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## Officer Transition

Remember a successful executive board is not only the glue that holds your organization together but also the fuel that propels it in a forward direction. A successful officer transition is neither difficult nor very time-consuming, however if you don't do it or do it wrong your organization can struggle. Visit [this website](#) for helpful tips about officer transition, including an officer transition checklist.

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Student Organizations are not permitted to reserve space during time when classes are not in session with limited exceptions. One of these exceptions are Study Breaks! Organizations that

Tuesday, January 23rd. You may continue to submit [Supplemental Funding Request](#) forms over break, and they will be reviewed at the beginning of next semester. The [Green Form](#) will be open for continued use during the winter break to facilitate payments for outstanding

The purpose of Mid-Year Leadership Training is to prepare student organization executive board members to lead their organizations confidently in the spring semester. The program is open to all student organizations leaders with a particular focus on students new to their leadership roles or who missed the Fall Leadership Training. Student leaders will receive a separate email with registration information.

Event Date: January 16th, 2024

1:00 - 1:50 P.M.

- Opening Session

2:00 - 2:45 P.M.

- Business Manager Training
- Club Speed Dating & Snacks

2:55 - 3:40 P.M.

- Advisor Sessions

4:00 - 5:00 P.M.

- Leadership Workshops
  - Back to Basics: Student Organization 101
  - Working with Administration to Achieve Your Goals
  - Executive Leadership Panel - local CEO panel
  - Nonviolent Communication - presented by M.K. Gandhi Institute of Nonviolence

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## Winterfest Weekend

Kick off the spring semester with Winterfest Weekend February 2nd - 4th, 2024. This chilly [Community Weekend includes](#)

## Activity Registration Reminder

As a reminder, all Student Organizations who are planning activities must abide by all of the [Activity Registration Policies](#). Please submit your activities through CCC early and on time. If you are unsure how to submit an Activity Registration, [check out this how-to video](#).

As announced in Spring 2023, GMMs, Weekly Meetings, Chapter Meetings, Practices, and Rehearsals without services no longer need to be registered in CCC. You can still register them if you wish to advertise your activities to students on CCC. Reservations will still need to be submitted for space through VEMS. General Interest Meetings (GIM) should continue to be registered, and all other activity registration requirements remain in effect.

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## Additional Funding Opportunities

The Burgett Intercultural Center provides a few different grants for student organizations in need of additional funding for their activities. Check out the various grants available and how to apply [here](#). Additionally, student organizations can also submit a [supplemental funding request](#) with SAAC. Not all requests can be accommodated.

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## Medallion Leadership Workshops

The Medallion Program provides workshops, interactive activities, and personal reflection to develop leadership capabilities through a flexible three-tiered journey. Register on CCC for access to attend. You do not need to be enrolled in the Medallion Program to attend.

Looking to work on Medallion Leadership Program progress over the Winter Break? Check out the [Leadership Library](#). You can read up to two books to count for workshops you'll need! To reserve a book, come to the Genesee Hall lounge where the library is and ask the Building Manager to check one out for you. Then, you'll need to fill out a reflection in your checklist for the corresponding domain level. Email [medallion@rochester.edu](mailto:medallion@rochester.edu) with any questions.

Workshop	Date	Time	Domain
The Power of Global Competency: Empathy, Tolerance, and Respect	12/4	4-5 p.m.	Interpersonal Competence



Rev. Martin Luther King's Nonviolence Theory Workshop	12/5	4-6 p.m.	Interpersonal Competence
The Practices of Leadership	12/5	7-8 p.m.	Level 2 Opener
Conflict is Life	12/11	5-6 p.m.	Interpersonal Competence
Rochester 101	12/12	6-7 p.m.	Knowledge Acquisition
Imposter Syndrome: Know it, Name it, Tame it	12/27	6-7 p.m.	Cognitive Complexity

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