



Clubs and Organizations 2017-18

Being involved on campus is an integral part of the college experience. Here at Olin, there are a number of ways for students to get involved –from participating in student government, to volunteer and service opportunities, to joining a club or organization.

Below is a current list of clubs & organizations for the 2017-18 academic year.

If students have an interest that isn't on this list, they are encouraged to reach out to studentaffairs@olin.edu to learn more about how to start a club!

Acronym

The Acronym offers coffee, tea, and conversation to the community for free. Our goal is to foster a campus culture that supports the community's needs for a relaxed space for idea generation and sharing.

Adventure Club

Adventure is out there! If you agree, join. We're here to invite, unite, and represent all adventurers of Olin. This club is known to host the annual Adventure Club Scavenger Hunt, and as well as some cool ways to document your adventures. There will be a communal journal and a polaroid camera for checkout, which have the handy ability to document cool things "off the grid". Mystery's half the fun.

Aquaponics

Olin Aquaponics designs, builds, and maintains aquaculture systems, capable of raising marine life and growing edible plants with minimal waste and energy input, to build awareness of and contribute to environmental sustainability. As part of our goal, we learn, teach, and spread knowledge about sustainable, local food growing.

Archery Recreation Club (ARC)

To teach and facilitate the sport of archery. Members will have the chance to participate in the sport of archery with a coach present. Members can self-select to become competitors. They will compete in local and regional competitions.

Art Club

Art club exists to promote the creation of visual art on Olin campus and create spaces where people can make art.

Art with a Heart

Members of Art with Heart put on shows and other events whose proceeds are used for a community betterment project. The shows typically consist of a set of performances and a visual arts gallery. Events include a Family Weekend Exhibition, the Yule Ball, and a variety of volunteer activities that members may undertake.

Badminton Club

The goal of Badminton club is to provide an environment in which people interested in badminton can come together and play together. We plan to meet weekly, and go to PepsiCo court at the Babson Gym. Depending on interest, more serious members can become members of the Magnus Badminton Club (only 7 minutes away from Olin) to play with other professional players. A big priority is to coordinate with Babson's club, perhaps even host joint tournaments.

Board Game Club

The goal of this club is to set up times and events during which people can play board games with others, to manage the board games Olin owns, and to buy new board games.

Babson, Olin, & Wellesley (BOW) Climbing Organization

Climbing fun for everyone! Our team is founded on several key tenets:

- 1) Diversity - (BOW, All Skill Levels, All Backgrounds)
- 2) Consistency - (Practicing on a weekly basis)
- 3) Lowering the Barrier of Entry for Beginners
 - a. (Free Passes to Start & Helping Fund and Kickstart a Climbing Career)

- 4) Don't let consistency turn into monotony! i.e. Do more than indoor gym practices
 - a. Taking skill building classes, like learning to Lead Climb.
 - b. Participating in External Competitions (like B3 Boston Boulder Brawl) or Externally-hosted Climbing Events.
 - c. Outdoor Climbing. d. Internally organized events (Halloween Dress Up Climb, Watch Reel Rock XX screenings together)

Chainmail and a Movie

We will make various chain mail objects, mainly jewelry, and eventually watch movies as we work. The goal is to enjoy a relaxing evening while being creative and producing something of value. We will meet on Friday nights for two to three hours, to relieve the stress of the school week. Most jewelry only takes two to three hours to make. We will have access to steel originally, and then copper and aluminum as our members learn various technique

Dungeons and Dragons Club

To facilitate games and/or discussion of the role-playing game Dungeons and Dragons (and other similar systems or tabletop RPGs)

Experimental Vocal Ensemble

The Experimental Vocal Ensemble aims to expose students to many different types and styles of music, while allowing everyone to grow and develop vocally.

Filmmakers Unite Now (FUN)

To provide a setting for Olin students to view, discuss, and to make Films at Olin College. Every week has a various meeting times depending on the various projects' schedules.

Franklin W. Olin Players (FWOP)

The Franklin W. Olin Players (FWOP) strive to enhance the culture of the Olin College community through the medium of the performing arts. FWOP-sponsored activities will be student-driven, emphasize the Olin ideal of balanced student interests, and serve to reach and involve the entire Olin community.

Glass Club

Glass Club provides students with the opportunity to work molten glass. Glass-working is an amazing fusion of concepts that takes knowledge from chemistry, physics and art to excel. We focus on small-scale "lampworking" (forming glass with a torch) to further our education in the fine arts.

GROW

GROW is a student collective for making the world a more environmentally sustainable place. We meet weekly for dinner discussions and project check-ins. GROW will also strive to encourage other community members to be more thoughtful in their actions by encouraging sustainable choices. GROW will support multiple projects based on interests of members.

Hackathon Club

To encourage, support, and provide a community for Oliners interested in attending hackathons. Along with attending events, the club will meet weekly to plan competing at/volunteering at events and to teach/learn skills that will prove useful both at hackathons and in their careers.

Hackers and Cybersecurity Kids of Olin (HACK Olin)

HACK allows for interested Olin students to get involved in the important fields of cryptography and cyber security and to setup and maintain student-run attack lab. Main events involve participating in capture the flag competitions and learning about security and cryptography. Some members will also be attack lab NINJA's.

Jewish Organization at Olin (JOO)

JOO aims to have an alive Jewish culture on campus, to educate Jews and non-Jews about Jewish culture and practices, and to create an environment where Jews feel comfortable.

Kitchen Club

The goal of the club is to provide Olin students with good cooking equipment and fun cooking/baking events.

Korean Student Organization

The Korean Student Organization aims to promote Korean cultural awareness, to build a network among Korean Oliners and Korean exchangers, and to foster interaction with other KSAs. Individuals who are not ethnically Korean, but who still want to experience Korean culture are very welcome to join.

League of Legends at Olin

LoLin! (League of Legends at Olin) is a club consisting of members of Olin College of Engineering who play, watch, or follow the game League of Legends. The club's purpose is to collect summoners on campus to play, watch, and learn together, and provide resources to form teams. The main purpose is to provide a vehicle for enjoying the game.

Make a Game, Make Assets (MAGMA)

To unite people with a shared interest in game development or interactive programming through game jams.

Midnight Mathematicians

At Olin, math is generally perceived as a means to an end. A field of mathematics is not deemed worth studying unless some immediate usefulness can be gleaned from it. The Midnight Mathematicians intend to be a counterpoint to this mentality. Alongside their regular math curriculum, we believe students deserve a glimpse at more extraordinary kinds of mathematics, even if the application of this math is not immediately obvious.

Midnight Riders

We exist solely to unicycle and teach others how to unicycle! Games such as tag and uni hockey are a good way to get exercise and unwind between meetings.

Olin Aerials and Circus

Olin Aerials and Circus exposes students to the wide world of circus and aerial arts by giving students the opportunity to work on fun and exciting physical skills while supporting wellness through physical activity.

Olin Christian Fellowship

Olin Christian Fellowship (OCF) is an organization that exists to unite and serve the Christian community at Olin in an official capacity by fostering a supportive, Christ-like environment and by providing activities which encourage Christ-like growth and fellowship within the Christian community at Olin. The purpose of OCF is to support and encourage Christians on campus to follow Jesus's teachings, including the following: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind," "love your neighbor as yourself" (Matthew 22:37-38) and "go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:16-20).

Olin Combat Robotics Association (OCRA)

The Olin Combat Robotics Association [OCRA] organizes combat robotics events at Olin.

Olin Disc Golf (ODG)

The purpose of ODG is to organize and promote disc golf activities at Olin

Olin Fire Arts Club

The goal of Fire Arts Club is to teach and foster fire arts at Olin. Members attend practice once a week and burns every other week, and we do performances for candidate's weekend and family weekend. Members don't need to attend every practice to burn.

Olin Indian Club

Indian Club aims to share Indian culture and traditions with everyone. We will also embrace some Hindu Festivities, and other religious events are welcome, so please approach the club if you have suggestions!

Olin Performance Improve Und Magick (OPIUM)

OPIUM serves to provide comedic entertainment to the Olin community, as well as teach its members the essentials of longform improv comedy. Its members also travel to perform with other college troupes, compete, and seek out coaching and demonstrations from professional comedians.

Olin Pitmasters Club

The purpose of Olin Pitmasters (OP) is to provide a place for Oliners to learn about grilling and smoking meats and other foods, as well as to feed the hungry Olin population with these meats and other foods. Club meetings will involve learning how to be a pitmaster through experience and eating.

Olin Quiz Bowl

The purpose of this club is to hold practices and organize tournament trips for Olin students to compete in college level National Academic Quiz Tournaments.

Olin Rock Orchestra

To create evocative and compelling art by bringing together classical, jazz, and rock musicians.

Olin Runners

The purpose of this club is to create a community of runners that help Oliners:

- Get and stay in shape
- Find training partners
- Share running tips and information

Olin Weekend Warriors

The purpose of OWW (Olin Weekend Warriors) is to have awesome nerf battles in the AC every week.

OPEN

To foster community and support a safe and supportive environment for LGBTQ people and allies, and also to raise awareness of LGBTQ related issues in the larger Olin culture.

Outing Club

Facilitate Olin student enjoyment of the great outdoors through organizing camping and hiking trips, as well as providing a stock of gear for Olin students to borrow and use.

Pokemon Club

To celebrate and play Pokémon in all its forms.

The club maintains that the proper pronunciation of "Pokémon" is "poh-kay-mohn." As such, members and officers should try to use an e with an acute accent (like this one: é) whenever they write the word "Pokémon" or use the shortening of it: "Poké". However, everybody makes mistakes, so there's no penalty for messing this up or saying "poh-kih-mohn" or "poh-kee-mohn" out loud. It's more of a guideline than an actual rule.

PowerChords

The **PowerChords** promise to bring quality a cappella music to Olin both through our own performances and the performances of the groups we invite to sing with at our concerts. As a group, our mission is to have fun through music and to improve as musicians, performers, and singers. We promise to contribute to the arts presence on Olin's campus and provide an opportunity for qualified musicians to have a rigorous and fun musical experience that can be shared with their peers.

Pretentious Podcasts and Painting with Parmesan

To unite the artists (and not artists) - the talented, the less talented, and the not-so talented - together on Wednesday evenings to listen to some highly intellectual podcasts while expressing their inner most feelings about the fine quality parmesan cheese.

Sandwich Discourse Club

To discuss important matters in the Olin community pertaining to the rigorous definition of sandwich and related concepts.

Society of Women Engineers (SWE)

The purpose of the Olin SWE Chapter is to provide Olin students (of all genders) that are interested in promoting women in engineering with professional development opportunities and mentorship.

Splendiferous Sixpenny Steampunk Society

The purpose of this fine Society shall be the exploration of, enjoyment of, and education about all things Steampunk. Our semi-fortnightly meetings will be occupied by sharing, discussing, and creating Steampunk media.

Stay Late And Create

The goal of SLAC is to provide an open venue with resources, empowerment, and support for peer learning and personal projects. SLAC meets weekly to provide a venue for personal project work, peer-led tutorials and talks, as well as open-ended discussions of a wide variety of subjects. SLAC also serves as a central meeting place for several other clubs' events and activities weekly. In addition to weekly meetings, SLAC also hosts an annual festival of creativity, SLACfest. The final area of focus of SLAC is the goal of working with other clubs and organizations to help put on events.

Student Government/Council of Olin Representatives (CORE)

The Student Government serves and acts as the voice of the Student Body of the College. The Student Body is defined as all currently enrolled students of the College who plan to graduate from Olin College.

Swimming Club

Swim Club provides Olin students support and encouragement about swimming. There are no official club-wide meetings, but the club provides a platform for students to meet to go swim or discuss swimming. There may be trips to open-water swim sites, competitions for distance or speed, or other club events depending on interest.

Taboo

The purpose of Taboo Club is to promote sex positivity and awareness at Olin. There will be a few one-time events and monthly events to encourage people to have open conversation about sexuality and educate people about differing opinions or sexual orientations.

Taiwanese Association at Olin (TAO)

The purpose of Taiwanese Association at Olin is to explore and celebrate Taiwanese culture in the Olin community.

Tea on Three

Tea on Three's purpose is to hold a weekly tea party in the Residence Halls to bring together Olin students. What sets our social hour apart from others is that it's made to be quieter, more accessible, at a time of day when people are normally working and need a relaxing break.

Terroir Club

Terroir is a word first used by French monks to describe the special qualities enacted on their wine by the unique geologies and climates of different grape-growing regions. The purpose of our club is to educate 21+ members of the Olin community on fine wines and other craft beverages through formal tastings.

Weapons Handling and Combat Kakistocracy (WHACK)

WHACK provides Olin students with the opportunity to practice fencing and participate in bouts.

Yarn Oliners Use

The goal of YOU club is to encourage knitting, crocheting, and generally playing with yarn. Many people at Olin enjoy knitting. Many people at Olin could potentially enjoy knitting if introduced to it. Many people don't enjoy knitting, but they won't be part of the club. We will provide teaching and instruction for the first two groups mentioned above. Crocheting counts, as does pretty much any activity using yarn and needles.