RIT Web Hosting Environment | Student Clubs, and Student Groups Website Standard

Summary
ITS receives numerous requests from students to host their club websites and content on the RIT’s Web Environment. Official RIT Student Clubs and Organizations on the RIT Henrietta campus should use CampusGroups for their websites needs. As the Administrator of the RIT Web Environment, ITS reserves the right to deny any website request based on the reasoning outlined in this document.

If your website request is denied, it is likely due to one or more of the following reasons:
- There is no unique business case that warrants having a separate website
- The request wasn’t approved by Student Affairs

1. Overview
With the launch of RIT CampusGroups, RIT’s student engagement tool available to the Henrietta campus and offered by the Division of Student Affairs, student club, group, and organization websites are no longer able to be hosted on RIT’s Web Environment. Student groups should be using RIT CampusGroups for their website needs unless approval is granted by Student Affairs to have a separate website. Approval is granted on a case by case basis depending on the groups unique requirements or needs.

2. CampusGroups
To consolidate RIT’s official student club, group, and organization websites, Student Affairs now offers RIT CampusGroups. RIT CampusGroups is a robust student engagement platform that allows students to:
- Search for clubs and events
- Promote events
- Keep track of events and sync them to their calendar
- Easily check-in at events
- Share updates and photos
- Check the latest news from their group or organization
The tool allows recognized student groups to easily promote their clubs/events, communicate with members, track attendance at events, collect information through forms, and more. The tool also allows for customized styling to their web pages if they have web development experience.

For more information about CampusGroups, please email ritcampusgroups@rit.edu.

3. Separate Website Criteria

With the introduction of RIT CampusGroups, most student groups needs should be covered by the platforms extensive student engagement tools and features. In the case that CampusGroups does not need the student groups needs, the group can appeal to request website hosting on RIT’s Web Environment. Each request is reviewed on a case by case basis based on the student groups specific needs and requirements. Initial requests should be sent to ritcampusgroups@rit.edu for review. If the request is approved by Student Affairs, ITS, and Marketing and Communications, the website will need to meet RIT’s content, branding, and security standards.

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