

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

**Summary** ITS receives numerous requests from students to host their student club, groups, and organization websites and content on RIT's Web Environment. Official RIT Student Clubs and Organizations on the RIT Henrietta campus should use CampusGroups for their website needs.

Student groups presenting a unique business need may request an exemption. Requests are reviewed by ITS, University Web Services, and Student Affairs.

As the Administrator of the RIT Web Environment, ITS reserves the right to deny any website request based on the University Web Standards and if it is determined that the business case does not warrant the need for a separate website.

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## 1. Overview

[RIT CampusGroups](#), RIT's student engagement tool available to the Henrietta campus and offered by the Division of Student Affairs, provides website functionality for student clubs, groups, and organizations. Student groups wishing to develop a new website should use RIT CampusGroups. Approval is granted on a case-by-case basis depending on the groups' unique requirements or needs. Student groups seeking an exemption must submit the Website Exemption Form to be reviewed by ITS, University Web Services, and Student Affairs.

These guidelines refer to any new website requests for student groups. Existing websites can continue to function unless the site is identified as a risk to the University Web Environment due to security vulnerabilities, risks, and accessibility concerns.

## 2. 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
- Connect with classmates
- Register for events
- Purchase tickets for events

For more information about CampusGroups, please visit the SA Service Portal.

### 3. Separate Website Criteria

If a student group identifies a new website request and determines that CampusGroups does not meet their 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 group's specific needs and requirements. Initial requests can be submitted using the Website Exemption Form. If the request is approved by Student Affairs, ITS, and Marketing and Communications, the website will need to meet RIT's website standards.

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