

DALHOUSIE STUDENT UNION

SOCIETIES

What is a Society?

A club or society is a student lead group, who work throughout the year to provide students with similar interests, ideologies, educations, or backgrounds the opportunity to network, build relationships and have fun! Last year, the DSU had +300 active societies; and we are always aiming to increase that number!

Whether you join a group, become a society executive, or start your own society, the importance is to get involved!

What Types of Society Are There?

The DSU sub-classifies societies based on their structure and area of interest. What you need to know as a student is that there is a society for almost anything you can think of, and if there is not, the DSU can help you create your own!

Scan the QR Code for our Society Directory and contact pages!



Joining a Society

All societies are unique. Some may ask you to register with their group, while others have fees associated with membership, and others just ask you to show up!

Why Join a Society?



To enrich your student experience at Dal by increasing your network.



Find opportunities to get involved with your campus & community.



To learn more about Dal & your Student Union while having FUN!

How To Join a Society:



1 Find their contact email or social media in the Society Directory.



2 Email their primary contact about how to get involved.



3 Start attending events & meetings as facilitated by your group of choice.

Starting a New Society

Any students enrolled at Dalhousie University are eligible to start their own society. Depending on your society type, there may be additional steps to follow as advised by the Societies Coordinator, however there are the few things you **MUST** have when applying for any society ratification:

- **Support of at least 10 current Dalhousie students**
- **A proposed executive team of at least 3 members**
- **A proposed name for your group**
- **2-3 paragraph explanation of the goal, mission, and purpose of your group.**

With this information, email dsusocieties@dal.ca to have the DSU Societies Coordinator further advise you on the ratification process for your group! There is no set deadline for ratification and we review new applications all year long.

DSU Society Contact

Hey there! My name is Jose!

I am originally from Costa Rica and I studied Psychology and Sociology at UPEI. I help societies with resources, training, ratification, event approvals and pretty much everything else! I am your go to person for anything societies related!



Hi! My name is Tammy!

I am originally from Greece and I am double majoring in Biochemistry and Philosophy. I am the elected student executive in charge of representing and voicing society concerns within the Dalhousie Student Union.

Find Jose in Room 350 of the SUB, or touch base via email dsusocieties@dal.ca. Find Tammy in Room 283 of the SUB, or connect via email dsuvpi@dal.ca.

JOIN US FOR THE FALL 2023

SOCIETIES & VOLUNTEER EXPO

September 19th 2023 | 10am - 6pm.
2nd floor of the Student Union Building