

E&I Initiative @ USF: Student Organization Affiliation Program

2025-2026 Academic Year

The E&I Initiative @ USF (Initiative) is a transformative opportunity at the University of San Francisco that aims to empower every student with entrepreneurial skills and opportunities to translate their ideas into tangible impact – across any discipline, industry, or sector of society. Our goal is to become the world’s foremost institution for developing skills that prepare students and alumni for success both in their careers and in life, which is driven by the following values:

- **Impact:** Enhancing the condition of others and driving positive change.
- **Developmental:** Expanding our reach and raising the tide for all.
- **Entrepreneurship:** Solving problems creatively with lasting effects.
- **Action:** Delivering tangible outcomes, whether big or small.

The following agreement establishes a formal relationship between the Initiative and undersigned student group, aligned with the shared goal of helping students transform their ideas into impact through project work. By becoming affiliated, the student group will gain several benefits for their members and partner with the Initiative to promote its mission and values across campus.

Benefits to the Student Organization

- **Promoting Organization:** Initiative will promote affiliated student groups by sharing logos, links, and relevant information through its website and other channels.
- **Membership Referrals:** Initiative will direct students at USF to affiliated student organizations so they can join one that matches their goals and interests.
- **Operating Budget:** Affiliated student organizations can request \$200 each year to cover expenses related to marketing, communication, trips, or guest speakers.
- **Funding Major Events:** Affiliated student organizations can apply for funding (\$1,000 or more, depending on availability) for co-sponsorship of major events that are aligned with the Initiative’s mission and open to members of all affiliated student organizations.
- **Microgrants for Projects:** All members of affiliated student organizations are eligible to apply for micro-grants (\$200 to \$500 at a time) for individual or team projects that align with the Initiative’s mission.
- **Access to Mentors:** All members approved for a microgrant will receive help finding a mentor who has relevant knowledge and expertise to help their project succeed.

Responsibilities of the Student Organization

- **Sharing Information:** Affiliated student organizations will help share information about the Initiative and related events among members, encouraging (but not requiring) participation, attendance, and engagement.
- **Measuring Impact:** Affiliated student organizations will provide a confirmed membership list each semester to help the Initiative measure the size and scope of its reach, and to help with microgrant applications and mentor matching.

Eligibility Requirements for the Student Organization

- The student organization must be recognized through the Student Leadership and Engagement (SLE) Office.
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- The student organization must be operated / headquartered at USF.
- The student organization must have an advisor affiliated with USF.
- At least 50% of the student organization's members must be USF students.

Conclusion

By signing this agreement, the student group agrees to actively support and promote the mission of the E&I Initiative @ USF while also benefiting from the opportunities and resources provided through affiliation. This agreement will expire at the end of the current academic year and be available to renew next year.

On behalf of the Student Organization:On behalf of the E&I Initiative @ USF:

Name: _____

Faculty Director: _____

Advisor: _____

Signature: _____

President: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____