

Club Sport Proposal Guidelines

Over the past 40+ years, The BU Club Sports Program has grown to include 33 teams and over 1,000 student athletes. The goal of our program is to provide the best possible Club Sports experience that our resources will allow. If you are interested in starting a club sport that is not currently offered by the Department of Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (PERD), please review this page for approval considerations, as well as information on how to submit a proposal.

Please be aware that based on our limited resources we are generally not able to take on a sport at first request. It is however important for us to hear regularly from interested students to best gauge the desire for any one particular sport.

Approval considerations

- Compatibility of proposed activity with PERD's club sport mission statement:
 - *"A club sport is primarily a student-run and student-funded organization designed to serve individual interests ranging from competitive, to recreation, or instructional in nature. A club sport offers its members the opportunity to learn valuable skills and leadership experience, while also remaining physically active in a team environment."*
- Required facilities and equipment, and the impact the proposed activity will have on existing intramural sports, recreational sports, and intercollegiate athletics at BU
- Availability of the financial resources to start and adequately fund the proposed activity (this includes athletic training considerations)
- Opportunities to compete on a local, regional, national level
- Ability to attract new members on a yearly basis
- Sufficient student interest and level of leadership

Required Proposal Information

- Purpose and objectives of your club (instructional, recreational, competitive, etc.)
- What are your facility needs? (practice frequency, time, location, flexibility, hosting competitions, etc.)
- What are your financial needs?
 - MUST include a "mock" budget for review listing start-up costs, year to year costs such as instructor/coaching fees, entry fees, league fees, officials' fees, travel fees (van rental, gas, food, lodging), etc. Include your planned income (dues, fundraising etc.) How do you plan to pay for the club's expenses?
- How many interested students do you have? (must list at least 10-15 interested students, include BUID and year)
- Explain your sport specific and leadership experience (also include this for other likely team leaders/officers)
- Do you have an instructor or coach already? What are their qualifications? If you do not have one, where will you get one?
- What are the safety concerns relevant to this type of activity?
- Any other information that may help us better understand the mission of your group.

Please compile the above information and contact [Jason Pride](#), Associate Manager of Club Sports. After we have had time for an adequate review, we will contact you with any further questions or decisions regarding your proposal.