25. Funding & Grants

One of the main ways that Clubs benefit from being affiliated with Arc is through funding and grants. We know that running awesome events that get your Club members excited costs money. In order to support the rich diversity of Club events held continually throughout the year, Arc provides an array of funding options to best suit the needs of your Club.

Clubs may only receive one grant per activity. For example, if a Club chooses to receive a Clubs Grant for an Activity, then they are no longer eligible to receive another grant for the activity (e.g. Student Community & Development Grant). If you think your activity is well suited to the SCDG, apply for that grant first, and if your application is unsuccessful, your Clubs Grant application deadline will be extended past the standard deadline.

The approval of all Arc Grants is subject to factors such as eligibility requirements and budgetary restrictions. Arc may pay out less than the normally calculated amount.

Clubs are encouraged to contact Arc Grants Staff to discuss their funding needs and ensure that they are operating under the scope of the Funding Policy in advance of applying for funding.

Links to the application forms for all Arc Grants can be found on the Arc website Arc online platform and must be submitted online only.

Funding Categories

Your funding level determines the amount of cash funding available to your Clubs through the Clubs Grant. For Regular Clubs, your funding level is determined by the number of Arc members in your Club (see Clubs Handbook Section 8 (Club Membership)). For Constituent Clubs, your funding level is pre-determined by the type of University body that you relate to or determined by your membership composition (whichever of these gives a higher funding level). Your funding level is automatically calculated throughout the year and applied to your grant application at the time the application is submitted.

Club funding levels are assigned as Bronze, Silver or Gold as per the following tables.
Regular Clubs

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Constituent Clubs

Constituent Clubs are automatically assigned a funding level based on the type of constituency:

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Constituent Clubs will upgrade their funding level if they have enough members as per the guidelines for Regular Clubs. This upgrade will be applied automatically.

Types of Funding

The following table provides a quick reference of the types of funding available to Clubs:

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<td>Clubs Grant - Activities</td>
<td>30% of expenses up to break-even, plus $1 per Arc member up to $100</td>
<td>$500 (Bronze) $1000 (Silver) $1500 (Gold)</td>
<td>Standard</td>
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<tr>
<td>Clubs Grant - Equipment, Merchandise and Publications (EMP)</td>
<td>50% of cost for equipment or publications up to break-even</td>
<td>Equipment or publications: $500 per purchase Merchandise (per year): $500 (Bronze) $1000 (Silver) $1500 (Gold)</td>
<td>Standard</td>
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Information provided in this handbook is a guide only. We encourage you to seek further information and to seek advice for the best way forward for your Club.

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<td>$130 (Gold)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Student Community and Development Grant</td>
<td>Depends on quality of applications in the round, at the discretion of application review panel.</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Competitive</td>
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<td>Grant (SCDG)</td>
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Note that Clubs Grants are the only form of funding that count towards your annual funding limit for your Club.

Subject to budgetary restrictions, Standard Grants are paid by Arc if:

- The information submitted is correct and the application meets all of the grant requirements
- The Club has not reached its funding limit

Competitive grants are based on how well your application meets the grant criteria and is also dependent on the number and quality of applications received.

**Clubs Grant Details**

The majority of Club activities, equipment, merchandise and publications will be eligible for a Clubs Grant, as long as another grant has not been approved.

**Activities**

“Activities” include (but are not limited to) BBQs, cruises, camps and parties.

Applications for a Clubs Grant must be submitted within one month after the event (from the first day, if the event takes place over multiple days/weeks). This means that the application for an event taking place on 5 June is due to 5 July, and the application for an event taking place on 2 February is due to 2 March. Applications cannot be submitted before the event, as documentation from the event is required.

Arc recognises that many Clubs hold regular events, such as weekly classes or monthly meetings. A separate Clubs Grant Application may be submitted for each re-occurrence for which you would to apply for a grant, however where a Club holds multiple activities per week, Arc Clubs Staff must be
consulted prior to applying for funding. If these activities are similar, Clubs may be asked to consolidate Grant Applications.

NOTE: An activity will need to be an event where members are able to mingle around for an extended period of time and benefit from the event beyond just receiving freebies. For example, while a free barbecue might be a good way to increase the exposure of your Club, if the sole purpose of the event is for members to line up, receive the free food, and then leave immediately after, this will not be counted as an activity. Your Club may be eligible to a grant of 30% of your expenses but will not be eligible for a grant for the attendance.

**Equipment**

“Equipment” refers to purchases made by the Club that are integral to the Club’s aims or activities, are durable and for the long-term use of the Club. This equipment must remain the property of the Club.

Examples include cash boxes, music stands, eskies and sport equipment.

Funding will generally not be provided for resources or purchases of items that are already provided by Arc for Club use. For example, Clubs can borrow speakers from Arc, so purchases of similar items will generally not be eligible for Arc funding. Clubs that wish to receive funding for these purchases must provide satisfactory reasons as to why Arc resources are insufficient for the Club’s use. If in doubt, it is recommended that Clubs contact Grants Staff beforehand to make arrangements.

Additionally, in order to be eligible for funding, the equipment must have a continued future use that is aligned with the aims of the Club, and that will allow the Club to grow substantially. For example a soccer Club buying soccer goals would be eligible for funding, but a photography Club making the same purchase would not receive funding.

**Merchandise**

“Merchandise” refers to items produced by the Club to promote the Club’s aims or activities. If merchandise items are being sold, when calculating the break even point, it is assumed that all items will be sold at the full price.

Examples include: T-Shirts, pens, membership stickers and membership cards
Merchandise that is for a specific activity (e.g. T-shirts that feature a design for a specific tournament, production, camp) is not eligible for funding under through the Merchandise stream. Instead these should be included in the costs for the event/activity in the Activity stream.

Publications

“Publications” refers to items published by the Club to promote the Club’s aims or activities. Separate print runs/purchases of the same item within the same year will be considered as one, so funding for these items are subject to the same grant limits as a single purchase.

Examples include: newsletters, websites, annual journals.

How to Apply for a Clubs Grant – General Details

Joint Clubs Grant Applications

Arc recognises that a Club may wish to hold activities with another Club, program, collective or other third party. Arc encourages such events as an important aspect of promoting diversity in student life. Joint Club activities or purchases must be submitted as a single application in the ArcClubs Grants Form and must include a breakdown of the portion of costs incurred and income received by each Club (or other party) involved so that Arc may determine the proportion of funding to each Club.

If a Club jointly runs an activity with a group or other party not eligible to receive funding from Arc, then the Club will still only receive a proportion of the grant based on the proportion of costs incurred and income received by the Club.

Receipts & Invoices

It is recommended that Clubs keep originals or copies of receipts and invoices for their own records (see Clubs Handbook Section 18 – Club Financial Management).

Arc requires that all receipts and invoices (either originals or copies) must be submitted for grant applications and must contain the following information:

- The company’s name
- The company’s ABN
• The date the invoice was issued
• A clear breakdown of all purchases and their quantities
• The total amount paid
• GST information (including where tax is applied)
  
  o Where the company is not registered for GST, the receipt or invoice should say “[the company] is not registered for GST”

Receipts that do not contain one or more of the items listed above will usually be omitted from the grant. Exceptions to this can be found at the end of this section. All copies of receipts must be clear and complete (i.e. the whole receipt is visible) – where copies are unclear or incomplete, Clubs will be asked to bring the original receipt into the Clubs Office to be sighted by staff. It is recommended that Clubs make copies of receipts as soon as they receive them (before they have a chance to fade). Photographs of receipts are generally not acceptable, as often it is hard to make out important details. Make sure you’re providing a copy that it is a scan or photocopy.

Proof of payment may be requested for any payment included in a grant application.

Invoices Without ABNs
For any Australian purchase where the supplier is unable to supply an ABN on their invoice, they will need to complete a ‘Statement by Supplier – reason for not quoting an ABN to an enterprise’ form available HERE or from the Australian Taxation Office website. This form must be completed by the supplier and they must still provide an invoice with all of the other required details such as the name of supplier, date, breakdown of products supplied and total charges.

For the most part, in section A-3 of the form, the reason for not quoting an ABN will be because ‘The supplier is an individual and has given the payer a written statement to the effect that the supply is made in the course or furtherance of an activity done as a private recreational pursuit or hobby’. Keep in mind that the reason and the subsequent legal declaration made will be at the discretion of the supplier. If a supplier declines to provide an ABN or complete this form, your Club should not make purchases from that supplier and should pursue other alternatives.

This form should only be used as a last resort if you are unable to find a supplier that has a registered business and ABN. Only in unique circumstances (such as purchases of niche or unique items) will this option be plausible for your Club.
If you have any questions about this form or the situations in which it could be used, contact grants@arc.unsw.edu.au.

International Purchases

Some Clubs may wish to make purchases internationally. In these cases, the invoices and receipts will not contain an ABN, and the Club’s payment may be made in a foreign currency.

When processing the grant application, the value of the purchase will be calculated at the exchange rate on the day of the purchase (i.e. the date stated on the invoice or receipt).

The following additional charges are eligible for grant funding (where invoices end/or receipts are provided):

- delivery fees charged by the international supplier
- delivery fees charged by international couriers
- international transaction fees charged by a financial institution when a payment is made directly from an Australian account to the international supplier

The following examples are additional charges that are ineligible for grant funding (this is not an exhaustive list):

- transport fees for someone in a foreign country who is helping your Club to transport the purchase
- exchange rate transaction fees where the payment is not being made directly from an Australian account to the international supplier (e.g. a Club Executive makes the payment overseas in person)

How to Apply for a Clubs Grant - Activities

Before your event:

- Read through the Clubs Grant Activity Application Form on SpArc.
- Include the Arc Clubs logo in any marketing material for your event (including event photos for Facebook events). The logo must be clear and legible. You can access the Arc Clubs Logo in the Files section if you are a Club Executive.
• If your Club is supplying alcohol at the event, ensure that the Alcohol Policy requirements are met (see Clubs Handbook Section 16)
• Make copies of all receipts (i.e. scan them) and keep both the originals and copies in a safe place.
• Retain any invoices and proof of payment if the invoice is over $500 (e.g. bank transfer screenshot or updated invoice showing $0 as the owing amount)
• Create a budget for the event, including ticket prices.

If ticket fees (or other compulsory fees) are charged to attendees, make sure to charge a premium of at least 110% on event fees for all non-Arc members. For example, if Arc members are charged $10 entry (the base price), non-Arc members should be charged at least $11. If Clubs charge different fees to Club members and non-Club members, this may result in a four-tiered structure. E.g.:

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<td>Arc Member, Club Member (base price)</td>
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<td>Arc Member, Non-Club Member</td>
<td>$11</td>
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<td>Non-Arc Member, Club Member</td>
<td>$15</td>
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<tr>
<td>Non-Arc Member, Non-Club Member</td>
<td>$17</td>
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When budgeting for your event, it is usually a good idea to set ticket prices under the assumption that all (or a large majority of) attendees will be paying the base price. That way, you should generally only have a larger than expected income, rather than falling short. This is especially important if your Club has limited funds, and you are hoping to breakeven or make a profit from your event.

**At your event:**

• Have all attendees sign the attendance list (including non-Arc members).
  o This is especially important if the Club is providing alcohol at the event (see Clubs Handbook Section 16).
  o The list should contain full names, student numbers, signatures and whether they are active Arc members. Also remember to include date, Club name and activity at the top of every sheet. You can use Arc’s template attendance Form.
  o Where a performance or conference is hosted or organised by the Club, the attendance of Arc members may be based on the attendance list of the organisers.
performers and crew. Performance observers and conference entrants are not required to complete the attendance list; however, they may do so.

- Check Arc membership when collecting ticket fees (if fees are charged) - Arc members have a current Arc sticker on their student card.
  - This is recommended because we check your list of Arc member attendees before awarding $1 per Arc member. If you’ve budgeted very precisely but don’t check membership, you may receive less funding than anticipated.

- Take a photo of your event, showing that the Arc Clubs logo was displayed prominently. This photo should show attendees at the event participating in activities and not simply holding the Club’s banner up for a photo - the idea is for the Arc Clubs logo to be on display for the duration of the event.
  - Displaying the Club’s Arc banner will usually be the most convenient way to fulfil this criterion, however an alternative use of the Arc Clubs logo is acceptable, as long as it is prominent and clearly associated with the event. For example, Clubs may be able to display A3 printouts of the Arc Clubs logo or include the logo in signage; however, an attendee simply wearing a shirt with the Arc Clubs logo is insufficient. Acceptance of other methods of displaying the Arc Clubs logo at your event is at the discretion of Grants Staff. Consult staff prior to the event if you are unsure.

After your event:

- Make scan all receipts (if you haven’t already).
- Complete a Clubs Grant Application on the Arc Online Platform and attach:
  - Scans of all receipts proving the total expenses of the Activity.
  - The completed attendance list from the event.
  - Copies of any marketing material, showing the Arc Clubs logo, date, location, time and ticketing structure (if relevant).
  - The photo showing that the Arc Clubs logo appeared at the event.
  - Actual budgets detailing all income and expenditure (including sponsorship). Please only account for spending you have receipts or invoices for. There is a template on the application form, however you are welcome to attach your own. These amounts should match up to your Club’s financial records.
The application must be submitted within one (1) month of the start date of the activity (i.e. if the event was on the 3/5/17, the grant must be submitted by 3/6/17). Late applications will not be eligible for funding.

**Executive-specific Events:**

Events that are Executive-specific and not for the general membership of your Club have a separate funding process compared to regular events. These events could include but are not limited to:

- Executive dinners
- Executive training
- Handover dinners

Grants for such events are calculated as follows:

- Grant amount will be calculated as 30% of expenses
- Expenses considered will be limited to $500 or $50 per Executive member in attendance, whichever is lesser.
- Non-alcoholic drinks are covered by the grant
- Tips will not be included in the reimbursement

It is important to understand that these grants are not a “free lunch or dinner”, but rather a subsidy of a Club-funded Executive event.

Obviously, marketing requirements and restrictions will be slightly different to regular events. As such, the following restrictions apply to such events:

1. In the case of handover dinners, this grant covers both incoming as well as outgoing Executive members. Executive members are those who are elected to positions set by the constitution of the Club, not those who are chosen through a selection process such as directors or subcommittee members.
2. This grant can be used for 1 handover dinner and 2 training/bonding events each Academic year.
3. In terms of marketing, evidence of proper organisation specific to the event (training or handover) is required. This could mean a Facebook event, invitations, or an email. This
marketing will need also need to feature the Arc Clubs logo or a general disclaimer of Arc’s support.

4. We understand that it often may not make sense to bring your banner to handover dinners. In order to complete this requirement, a small Arc Clubs logo is adequate. This could mean a small name-card or placard with the logo that will be unobtrusive but still recognisable. *(insert example pictures below)*

These Executive grant applications can be confusing, so here are some examples:

- You have 5 Executives attending your dinner, with the relevant marketing and Arc Clubs logo requirements. At your dinner, you spend a total of $180, made up of food and non-alcoholic drink. In total, you will receive $180\times0.30 = $54 in subsidy for this dinner. This grant application hasn’t exceed either restriction of $50 expense per member or $500 total grant, so **your Club will receive the total $54 in their grant.**

- You have 34 Executives attending your dinner, 17 incoming and 17 outgoing. Because you would like to celebrate your incredible year running your Club, you spend a total of $6000, (made up of food and non-alcoholic drink) plus a $35 tip. Initially, your grant calculation would be $6000\times0.30 = $1800 *(tips not included)*. However, you have a total of 34 eligible Executives, meaning a $34\times$50\times0.3 = $510 and you are restricted by the $500 maximum, which means **your Club will receive a total of $500** in their grant.

- You have five Executives attending a training event in order to receive qualifications that will allow your Club to run much better events for the year. The course costs $600 for the five of you, and you have an important networking event with the other course participants afterwards which costs $250 for the five of you. Your initial grant calculation would be 30% of $600 + $250, or $255. However, you can only receive $50 per Executive member, so **your grant amount would be $250.**

It is still a requirement that all Clubs present the amount that they spent on their Club’s Executive members at their AGM in the Treasurer’s Report. It is important that all Club members are informed about where the Club’s money is spent, particularly when it is spent on Executive members.

These different restrictions may be confusing, which is why we’re willing to help! Come have a chat to us in the Clubs Office about your funding for these events, or simply send through an email to grants@arc.unsw.edu.au
How to Apply for a Clubs Grant - Equipment, Merchandise or Publications

Before your purchase:
If the item/s you want to purchase are already provided by Arc for Club use, contact Clubs & Grants Staff to confirm whether your purchases will be funded by the Clubs Grant. As mentioned above, you must provide satisfactory reasons (in writing) as to why Arc resources are insufficient for the Club’s use.

For merchandise, publications or customised equipment, make sure the Arc Clubs logo appears in a prominent, visible position in your designs. High quality jpeg and eps downloads of the Arc Clubs logo can be found on SpArc. If you’re worried about the size or placement of the Arc Clubs logo, run it past the Grants Staff before your purchase.

All Publications must contain the statement: “This Student Club publication is proudly supported by Arc”, in addition to the Arc Clubs logo.

After your purchase:
For standard equipment (i.e. equipment that isn’t customised), pick up a sticker with the Arc Clubs logo from the Clubs Office and attach it to the item.

Complete the Clubs Grant Application - Asset Form on SpArc and attach:

- Receipts or invoices proving the total cost of the Equipment, Merchandise or Publication. You must provide proof of payment for any invoice over $500.
- The design of all Merchandise, customised Equipment or Publications OR a photo of the equipment showing that the Arc sticker is attached (whichever is relevant).

Submit the application within one month of the invoice or receipt date.

Extra tips for the Clubs Grant:
- Grants Staff will not process incomplete or late grant applications. Make sure to complete the application form correctly, attach all documents prior to submission and submit your full application through the event on SpArc.
All applications must comply with the Arc Clubs Alcohol Policy and have a ticket pricing structure consistent with the requirements listed above. No exceptions will be made—non-compliant applications will be rejected.

For applications where the attendance list, event photo (showing the Arc Clubs logo) or event marketing (showing the Arc Clubs logo) are not provided or do not meet the requirements, Clubs will receive one (1) warning. Any further breach of the requirements on Clubs Grants submitted after two (2) warnings will be penalised by 30% of the total grant (for each issue identified). Where two (2) issues are identified, 60% is deducted, and where three are identified, the application is rejected.

Late applications will be immediately rejected, unless an exception has been granted by Grants Staff in advance. If you anticipate your application being late, please contact Grants Staff beforehand.

The attendance list must be provided if the Club provides alcohol at the event, otherwise the event will be ineligible to receive a grant (due to non-compliance with the Arc Alcohol Policy).

If your application needs clarification, Grants Staff will contact you via the email address you provided on your application.

**Student Community and Development Grant (SCDG)**

**When to apply for an SCDG**

Student Community and Development Grants (SCDGs) are designed to allow Arc and UNSW to provide support to students who seek to contribute to the campus community & develop Graduate Attributes through hosting or participating in activities.

The SCDG suits a wide variety of activities. Examples of activities funded in the past include participation in debating tournaments, cheerleading tournaments, environmental summits, student forums, art shows and publication writing. To be successful in receiving an SCDG, applicants are required to be able to prove how their event matches the criteria of the SCDG.

**How to Apply for an SCDG**

The SCDG is assessed against the following criteria:
• The contribution towards the development of graduate attributes.
• The cultural, social, historical and reputational significance of the event and the contribution to campus culture and community.
• The nature, topic and size of the event.
• The degree of planning and preparation for the event.
• How innovative the activity or approach is.
• The number of Arc members likely to benefit from the event and/or the ability and dedication of the participant/s to use the experience gained from the event to benefit Arc members and the campus community.
• Other avenues of funding support.
• Previous dealings between the applicant/s and Arc.

Since the SCDG is a Competitive Grant, in order to be successful in receiving a SCDG applicants must address each of the above criteria points in detail.

The SCDG Application Form is on the Arc website and requires the following information:

For an Individual Arc Member - Participant

• Bank details
• Activity description (3000-word limit)
  o What graduate attributes will be developed? (List the applicable graduate attributes and expand on how these criteria will be developed.
  o How does the activity contribute to UNSW student life, particularly with respect to campus culture?
  o How will you communicate your experiences to Arc members and the wider campus community?
• Details of the activity’s host e.g. letter of acceptance
• Planned budget
• Post activity report

For an Individual Arc Member - Host:

• Bank details
• Activity description (3000-word limit)
o What graduate attributes will be developed? (List the applicable graduate attributes and expand on how these criteria will be developed.

o How does the activity contribute to UNSW student life, particularly with respect to campus culture?

o How will you communicate your experiences to Arc members and the wider campus community?

- Details of the activity's host e.g. letter of acceptance
- Planned budget
- Attendance summary
- List of organisers
- Expense quotes

For a Club or Group of Arc Members - Participants:

- Bank details
- Activity description (3000-word limit)
  o What graduate attributes will be developed? (List the applicable graduate attributes and expand on how these criteria will be developed.
  o How does the activity contribute to UNSW student life, particularly with respect to campus culture?
  o How will you communicate your experiences to Arc members and the wider campus community?

- Details of the activity's host e.g. letter of acceptance
- Planned budget
- List of attendees (with student numbers)
- Post activity report

For a Club or Group of Arc Members - Host:

- Bank details
- Activity description (3000-word limit)
  o What graduate attributes will be developed? (List the applicable graduate attributes and expand on how these criteria will be developed.
o How does the activity contribute to UNSW student life, particularly with respect to campus culture?

o How will you communicate your experiences to Arc members and the wider campus community?

- Details of the activity’s host e.g. letter of acceptance
- Planned budget
- Attendance summary
- List of organisers
- Expense quote
- Post activity report

Post activity report

Arc requires all Student Community & Development Grant recipients to acquit the funds received under your respective Grant program. Please submit this form within 30 days of the formal completion of your project, or within 30 days of being notified of the grant amount awarded for your application, whichever is later.

Failure to acquit your project may result in restricted access to all Arc resources. In addition, Arc will also take this inaction into account in all future grant applications.

Through this form, you will be required to submit:

- A brief statement about your project and its aims (300 words max)
- Attendance of your event (and demographic), if applicable. For an applicant-hosted event: attendance numbers and number of people involved in the organization of the event, both divided into Arc members and non-Arc members.
- Costings - a statement of the actual income & expenditure, including the dollar amount and in-kind payments
  o Were the funds used in the manner specified in the grant application (and if not, explain why)?
- Receipts & Invoices - copies of all receipts and/or invoices for all above costs
- Outcome Summary - statements regarding the impact of the SCDG funding on the event, and how you communicated the experience to UNSW students & Arc members (preferably upload pictures and/or examples of print media)
• Photographic evidence of the project (at least 2 photos required)

FAQs

How do I know if my Club is categorised as Bronze, Silver or Gold?
SpArc will show your Club funding category real-time.

Which types of funding count towards my Club’s annual funding limit?
Funding through the Clubs Grant counts toward the annual funding limit.

Can my Club access grants before it has been approved for affiliation?
Where the grant is specifically for Arc-affiliated Clubs, your Club will not be eligible for funding for events held and purchases made before your Club has been formally approved for affiliation. The Student Community and Development Grant is open to individual and groups of Arc members, so non-affiliated Clubs are eligible for funding.

Can I still get funding for an event that happens outside of term?
Yes, as long as the grant application is still submitted by the specified timeframe. Over summer, some Clubs Grant deadlines may be extended (these extensions are announced in the Clubs Newsletter).

Can I use a photo of a receipt as proof of purchase instead of scanning it?
Yes, however make sure that all the important details are readable.

Can I use an EFTPOS receipt as my proof of purchase?
No, EFTPOS receipts usually don’t have an itemised breakdown of the expenses or the businesses ABN, which are required features of receipts in order to be accepted.

Can we apply for a Clubs Grant for a fundraising event?
There are two parts to the Clubs Grant calculation:
  • Expenses & overall profit/loss
  • Number of Arc members attending the event
For events that have made a profit (the goal of all fundraising events), there is no funding for the first part of the calculation. While your Club may be raising money for charity and might consider the...
donation to be an expense of the event, Arc funds events for the benefit of students rather than charities, so these payments are not included in the calculation.

The specific nature of the event will determine whether the second part of the calculation is applicable. For events such as a bake sale, students making purchases would not be considered to be “attending” an event – they are simply making a purchase and continuing on their way. On the other hand, for events such as a Trivia Night where individuals are at the event for an extended amount of time, your Club would receive funding for attendance.

See the rest of this section for further information on funding levels and grant calculations.

**For the Clubs Grant, can I claim prizes and gifts as expenses? Are cash prizes allowed?**

Generally, prizes and gifts can be included the same as any other expense for the event, however you do need to be able to provide a receipt, so cash prizes would not be suitable. A good substitute for cash prizes is gift cards as prizes, this way the receipt can be used to show expenses.

**Can I apply for a Clubs grant if my Club participated in Arc Events?**

If your Club is just participating in the event in a capacity that is expected of Clubs involved with the event (such as having a stall at O-Week), then your Club won’t be eligible for funding for that activity. If, however you run your own event (e.g. a meet and greet during O-Week), then this is eligible for funding.

**What if I can’t submit my grant within the 30 days after the event?**

Let us know before the 30-day deadline has lapsed and provide the reason. As long as there is a good reason (e.g. waiting for an outstanding invoice), most likely we will be able to extend the deadline. Extensions are generally not granted if you contact us after the deadline has passed.

**Do I get attendance funding for events like bake sales and ticket sales?**

Attendance funding is for events where students are participating in an event for an extended period of time, not just passing by and purchasing an item, so generally having a stall of some kind does not qualify for attendance funding. Ticket sale income is included in the event that students are buying tickets for, but you cannot get attendance funding for a stall held to sell the tickets.

**Can I apply for Clubs Grant funding for Executive-specific events?**
Yes, however there is a different calculation applied. Refer to information on Executive-specific events earlier in this document.

For the Clubs Grant, how is the funding split between Clubs holding the joint event?
We will split the grant funding based on information that you provide about how the expenses were split and how you want the attendance funding to be split. Refer to information on joint Club grant applications earlier in this document. Note: only Arc-affiliated Clubs are eligible for funding through the Clubs Grant. If you run a joint event with an external Club, you can apply for funding for expenses that your Club covered.

What if the company/person I have made a purchase from does not have an ABN?
Refer to information regarding invoices without ABNs above.

What if the company/person I have made a purchase from is international?
Refer to information regarding international purchases above.

How can I calculate GST on an invoice/receipt?

How early can I put an application in for the Student Community & Development Grant?
You can apply as early as you like, though in some cases your application may be held until a round closer to your event.

Where can I get more information/examples regarding the Student Community & Development Grant?
We run info sessions for potential applicants before each deadline. See the website for dates and times (https://www.arc.unsw.edu.au/clubs/student-community-development-grant).

Is there a preferred template to base our application off for the Student Community & Development Grant?
Come to one of the info sessions, or schedule to have a chat with one of the CGOs for tips on how best to write your application.
For Student Community & Development Grant (SCDG) applications, what if the event has not happened yet, how do I budget for it?

If the event has been run previously, base the budget off the actual expenses and income from previous years, with added adjustments for the current year’s plans.

If the event is being run for the first time, provide quotes for different expenses (search around for quotes and provide links and proof of that for your estimates).

Where can I find out more information?

Divide by 11 – 7 common questions about GST including food and contractors

Student Community & Development Grant Information
https://www.arc.unsw.edu.au/clubs/student-community-development-grant

Related Documents

Clubs Handbook (https://www.arc.unsw.edu.au/clubs/clubshandbook)
   Section 11.3 – Being a successful Treasurer

Forms & Files (https://www.arc.unsw.edu.au/clubs/club-admin/club-forms)
   Arc Clubs Logos
   Arc Club Financial Templates
   Clubs Grant – Activity Stream Example Documents
   Clubs Grant Application Form
   Student Community & Development Grant Application Form 2019
   Arc Clubs Attendance Form
Help!

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