

ACRONYM DEFINITIONS

AOs: Affiliated Organizations. These organizations operate independently of the University, but collaborates with other larger sponsored organizations and departments; and share the common goals of providing the most unhampered open print, online, and broadcast media coverage and commentary to the University and surrounding community.

CARS: Student Center Conference and Reservation Services. The office where students, faculty, and staff can request to reserve space in the Student Center, outdoor space, and classroom space for meetings and events.

CFSL: Center for Fraternity & Sorority Life. The office that advises the social Greek-letter organizations on campus and the five Greek councils.

CSI: Center for Student Involvement. The office that provides support to the registered student organizations, advises some of the university sponsored organizations, and provides leadership and civic engagement programs.

CSM: Center for Student Media. The office that advises The Cougar, CoogTV, and Coog Radio.

DOS: Dean of Students. The office that manages student discipline. Additionally, DOS signatories on several event registration processes and form, including the Alcohol Permit, the University Sponsorship form, and the Freedom of Expression form.

DSAES: Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Services. The division that houses the Student Centers, Center for Student Involvement, Center for Diversity and Inclusion, LGBTQ Resource Center and more.

USOs: University Sponsored Organizations. These organizations are inherently linked to the university and are considered to be an integral part of the institution. University Sponsored Organizations receive student service fees through the Student Fees Advisory Committee. They typically have a close relationship with a university department that provides a full-time professional staff member to serve as the primary advisor to the sponsored organization. They are required to register their organization annually through the Center for Student Involvement at the University of Houston. These include:

- **Activities Funding Board**
- **Council for Cultural Activities**
- **Frontier Fiesta**
- **Homecoming Board**
- **Metropolitan Volunteer Program**
- **Student Program Board**
- **Student Government Association**

MAPP: Manual of Administrative Policies and Procedures. The compilation of policies and procedures for the staff and departments of the University of Houston.

RSOs: Registered Student Organizations. Un-sponsored organizations that function independently from the University and are entitled to request minimal support from the University. They are private entities and are not extensions of the University. The RSOs may conduct the organizations' business on their own behalf, but they may not imply or suggest that they are representatives or agencies with authority to

make decisions or speak on behalf of the University. These organizations are registered annually through the Center for Student Involvement at the University of Houston. In addition, they are required to have:

- Faculty or Staff advisors that are acceptable to the University. The RSO advisors are volunteers that will exercise their duties independently of any duties that they may have with the University and not as representatives of the University.
- A constitution that includes the anti-hazing clause and non-discrimination clause
- At least three enrolled students at the University of Houston

SFAC: Student Fee Advisory Committee. Student led committee that reviews and recommends annual allocations of student fee dollars.