

## Club Planning Guide

**Goals:** ASUMW is proud to support a multitude of clubs and activities within the UMW Campus Community. As always, your well-being is our top priority and we are confident in your abilities to follow appropriate social distancing guidelines. ASUMW encourages clubs to plan activities and events in a way that is mindful of current social distancing criteria and state, university, and CDC guidelines. Wear masks, stay 6 feet apart, wash hands often and stay home if you're sick. We are looking forward to a great school year and are excited to help clubs plan activities and events. With proper planning and creativity, events and activities can be a fun, safe, and healthy way to stay engaged with your peers. At this time, club travel and club activities/events will be approved on a case-by-case basis in order to keep our Bulldog family healthy. For guidance with your event/activity planning, please contact ASUMW Office Manager/Program Coordinator Keeley Fitzgerald. Keeley can be reached at 406-683-7211 or via email at [keeley.fitzgerald@umwestern.edu](mailto:keeley.fitzgerald@umwestern.edu). The ASUMW Offices are located in the basement of the SUB. Remember we are all in this together...here's to happy planning, a safe and productive year, and as always, GO DAWGS!

**Meeting Guidelines:** Clubs are encouraged to hold meetings as planned. In order to make sure the meeting environment is safe, inviting, and healthy for all, please follow current guidelines for social distancing and federal/state/university directives. Clubs will be provided with a "Healthy Meeting Kit" from ASUMW. This kit will contain hand sanitizer, disposable masks and signage to remind members to social distance and follow protocol. All on-campus meetings must be scheduled through Kathy Simkins in Conference and Events to ensure meeting space is reserved and protocols are taken to properly clean and disinfect the meeting space prior to and post meeting. Remember... wear masks, stay 6 feet apart, wash hands often and stay home if you're sick.

**Event and Travel Guidelines:** ASUMW encourages clubs to plan fun, healthy and engaging events this school year. Well-planned events can be fun, safe and interactive for all! When planning events, make sure all federal/state/university guidelines are followed to ensure the safety and well-being of all. On campus events will need to be approved through ASUMW and Conference and Events. Off campus events will need to be approved through ASUMW Office Manager/Program Coordinator Keeley Fitzgerald. Students and clubs will be prohibited from using state vehicles for travel until further notice. When using personal vehicles for club travel, we ask that club members are mindful of social distancing protocols and health/safety guidelines. Club members can be reimbursed for mileage and travel through club funds. For reimbursement, please contact Keeley Fitzgerald in the ASUMW Office. Remember... wear masks, stay 6 feet apart, wash hands often and stay home if you're sick.

**Final Notes:** As Bulldogs, we are all in this together. While the current pandemic presents challenges for planning, we are confident students can remain engaged and active with their peers. ASUMW is here to help and will help your club meet its goals through creative, thoughtful planning. Our goal is simple...we want to help our students enjoy their time at UMW! Clubs are a great way to stay active, meet friends, engage with peers and enjoy all that our area has to offer. We encourage you to find your Bulldog Way this year...albeit a little differently. Here are some club event/activity ideas:

Club Hiking Trip—Southwestern Montana is filled with many opportunities for hiking the great outdoors. Social distancing is easy, the scenery is great and the fresh air/exercise is an added bonus.

Club Movie Night—Our movie theater is showing some great films....both old and new! The local theatre also has guidelines in place to ensure your safety.

Club Bingo Night—ASUMW has bingo supplies that clubs can check out. Bingo can be played a million different ways and is a great way to socialize!

Club Virtual Video Game Tourney—Challenge your friends virtually....fun and exciting games for everyone!

Club Board Game Night—Board games are a great way to beat “boredom.” Challenge your mind and have some fun while playing!

Folf—UMW is home to a great folf course. Fresh air and fun!

Running/Walking/Biking Challenge—Clubs can host a running/jogging/walking challenge for their members. Walking, running, and jogging are all fun ways for students to get active, enjoy the fresh air, and test some of the areas finest trails.

Club Swim Night—Swimming is a great year round activity. Our local YMCA is open to all and has protocols in place to keep everyone safe!

Club Cooking Challenge—Challenge your club, create teams, and cook up some great meals!

Fishing—Our area is home to some of the best fishing in the world. Pick up a pole and enjoy the Montana outdoors.

Art—This is a great time to learn something new. Host a paint night...have a fellow club member teach everyone a new technique. Channel your inner Picasso!

Music—Virtual jam sessions. Use your creativity!

Visit a mountain lake—Southwestern Montana is home to several cool lakes. Check one out!

Snowshoeing—When the snow flies, what better way to enjoy the winter months!

Skiing/Snowboarding/Sledding—If you want to experience something at a higher altitude, Montana is the place for snow sports!

Icefishing—Clark Canyon reservoir is a great place to land a whopper when the ice is solid. Social distancing at its finest...and maybe coldest!

Club Dog Walking Event—Our humane society loves our Bulldog dog walkers!

Yard Games—Bring on the fun! Cornhole, bocce ball, ladderball, horseshoes to name a few!

Campfire—Roast some ‘mallows and tell stories!

Patio/Outdoor Movie Night—Host your club for outdoor social distancing with a good movie and an outdoor big screen. Popcorn optional!

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