RSO Finances
Ledger 9/Fundraising Accounts

- All RSOs are provided a ledger 9 account that serves the purpose of holding the organizations money.

- RSO can obtain funds through fundraising, collecting dues, requesting SOFA funds, donations, etc. RSO treasurers are responsible for overseeing the ledger 9 account ensuring that the funds are being used appropriately and the account never goes into a deficit.

- If an RSO account goes into a deficit, the organization will be responsible for bringing that account back to a positive.

- Student Life serves as a custodian of the RSOs ledger 9 account but is not responsible for managing the accounts financial transactions.
Checking Your Account Balance and History
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- Access your RSO Ledger 9 (also known as Fundraising Account) balance and transaction history on UISConnection
- From your RSO’s page on the Manage Side, select “Finance”
Checking Your Account

- Select “Accounts” button in the upper right hand side of the page
Checking Your Account

- You will be able to see your organization's balance. It is important to keep this amount positive (at or above $0.00)
- Clicking on the account's name will open more details, including a transaction listing
Spending from your Account
Spending from your Account - Reimbursement

- Any student member of an organization may be allowed to purchase needed goods or services with their own personal funds and submit for reimbursement from the organization's account.

1. Discuss purchase with organization, set a budget, and ensure funding is available
2. Purchase the items with personal funds
3. Complete a RSO Disbursement Voucher (found online at https://www.uis.edu/student-orgs/forms-policies or available for pick up at Student Leadership Center) with the student member who paid for the purchase listed as the Payee
4. Bring Original Receipts with completed Disbursement Voucher to the Student Leadership Center.
5. Funds will be Direct Deposited into the student's account the University has on file. (Please note that reimbursements can take up to 4 weeks to be deposited)
**Spending from your Account - Reimbursement**

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**Organization Fund Disbursement Voucher**

- **Name of Organization:** Urban-Champaign Chicago Springfield
- **Vendor/Payee Information**
  - Payee ID Number:
  - Vendor Name:
- **Invoice Information**
  - Invoice/Transaction Date:
  - Invoice/Doc #:
  - Description/Reason for Payment:
  - Amount:
- **FOAP**
  - Chart:
  - Fund:
  - Organization:
  - Account:
  - Program:
  - Amount:
- **Organization/University Approvals**
  - Fund availability verified by University Accounting
  - Organization Financial Officer (Treasurer/President):
  - Secretary of the Fund:

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**Submit this form to:**

- Chicago Campus
- Urbana-Champaign Campus
- Office of Accounts
- Office of Financial Affairs
- Office of Budget
- Office of University Planning

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Spending from your Account – Direct Charges

- When utilizing an on-campus service (Printing, Catering, etc.) payment for services can be done by providing the department with your organization account number or CFOAP in the following format: 4-90_ _ _ _ - 626000-xxxxxx – 199000
- You can obtain your organizations 4-digit account number on UISConnection under “Finance” “Accounts”
Spending from your Account – Checks for Vendors

- To pay a vendor outside of on campus university services, submit an RSO Disbursement Voucher with the vendor as the Payee.
- Attach all supporting documentation, originals only, Student Life staff can make copies for you to keep with your records.
- Supporting documentation includes invoices, bills, statements, itemized receipts, or contract with letter of agreement.
RSOs may make online purchases or over the phone payments at the discretion of their Student Life Liaison. Student Life Liaison’s are able to use their University issued cards to make these payments and apply the charges directly to your Ledger 9 account.

Student Life Staff will take into account:
- Access of the receipt – needed for reconciling purposes
- Timeliness – Make an appointment and discuss with your Liaison in advance
- Prohibited Purchases – There are certain things that cannot be purchased with a University Card

It is best to discuss in advance with your Student Life Liaison to see if this option is available for your purchase.
Fundraising
Registered Student Organizations must register all fundraising activities with the Student Life Office at least two (2) weeks prior to the scheduled activity.

Fundraisers include all activities where there is a collection of funds, regardless of whether the money is donated to a charity or is kept by the sponsoring organization for their own uses.

Any funds collected using University property, facilities, and/or services MUST be deposited within 24 hours to the organization’s ledger account, if the fundraising event is taking place over multiple days, funds must still be deposited within 24 hours of each day they are fundraising.
Collecting Funds

- Due to limitations on RSO Fundraiser accounts, online card applications such as Square, Venmo and PayPal cannot be linked directly to the account. Therefore, RSOs are not permitted to use these sources for payment. RSOs are also not permitted to use University payment collection services, such as credit card terminals or forms through University Merchant Card Services.

- When accepting checks, make sure that they are made out to “UIS” with your organization in the memo line. If a check is from a student, staff, or faculty member, it must also include the individuals UIN.
Dues

• Registered Student Organizations are allowed to collect a fee for membership benefits for their organization. This amount is to be set forth as equal for all member retaining the same rights and privileges.

• This amount must be on record annually with the office of Student Life through the Student Organization Registration form.

• Registered Student Organizations who choose to collect dues are encouraged to do so on a set date and to manage their budgets and records independently.

• Dues should be deposited within 24 hours of collection into the Student Organization Ledger 9 Account.
Deposits

• All funds collected using University facilities, equipment or resources must be deposited within 24 hours of collection to the Student Leadership Center. Deposits are made by bringing all cash and checks to the Student Leadership Center. A Student life staff member will assist the organization with making a deposit into their ledger 9 account.
Taxes
• All tax and legal matters relating to organization activities are the responsibility of the organization.

• Registered Student Organizations are not authorized to use the University’s Employer Identification Number, non-profit status, or tax-exempt status.

• An organization can independently apply for non-profit status and/or tax-exempt status with the IRS.

• Registered Student Organizations are not authorized to accept tax-deductible donations on behalf of the University.

• When soliciting donations, it is the responsibility of the organization to inform potential donors that their contributions are to the organization, not the University, and are not tax deductible.

• Organizations that have their own 501(c) (3) charitable organization status are eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions through their organization, not the University. If your organization has a parent chapter or national headquarters, the organization should consult with them regarding tax status.