



What is a BHSS Affiliated Group (BAG)?

A BHSS Affiliated Group (BAG) must be health science specific i.e. targeted mainly towards BHSc students. A BAG must aim to benefit the BHSc community in some way. A BAG will be able to utilize the BHSS/BHSc name in their branding. BAGs will be monitored via monthly check-in by the BHSS Executive in order to ensure proper conduct. BAGs must submit a year plan and budget annually to the BHSS Executive, which must be approved before proceeding with initiatives. Amendments to this plan will be allowed within reason.

What groups cannot become BHSS-Affiliated?

You cannot apply for BAG status if your club is already an MSU club, or if your club mainly targets groups in addition to or other than the BHSc community.

Does BAG status affect funding opportunities?

Being a BAG does not warrant increased funding. Groups that are not affiliated may still apply for funding; funding will be assessed based on the same criteria for affiliated and non-affiliated groups. However, BAGs will submit annual budget plans to the BHSS executive at the beginning of each year; in this manner, all yearly funding proceedings will be approved at the start of the year by the executive rather than needing to submit multiple requests.

How do you Apply?

The application must include:

1. Administrative information
2. A cover letter with a mission statement, short term, and long term goals
3. Year plan and budget
4. Constitution for your group

All components must be submitted at the following link before **August 20th, 2018**.

Upon receipt of application, the Internal Coordinator and Chair will review the application and suggest any changes requiring your attention. **Please do not submit your application until you believe you have successfully filled out all required materials outlined on this document and the google form.**

Once the Internal Coordinator and Chair have approved your application, said application will be brought to a meeting of the BHSS executives. The approval of your BAG status depends on a 2/3 majority vote by the BHSS executives. If your application is denied, you will be provided with specific and detailed reasons for doing so.