

# The Premier Organization Support System

Premier Organizations	
<b>Purpose</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To provide support for organizations that have outstanding activities and a commitment to longevity.</li> <li>▪ To affirm the identity of APU and give confidence to student organizations by officially recognizing their activities.</li> <li>▪ To bring development of all APU student organizations together.</li> </ul>
<b>Advantages</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Reduced student burden for expenses in overseas excursions and tournaments.</li> <li>▪ Increased opportunities for regular practice.</li> </ul> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b><i>Premier Organizations have priority in receiving subsidies.</i></b> The University will give priority to premier clubs when allocating subsidies for clubs.</li> <li>2. <b><i>Premier Organizations have priority in using facilities and equipment, and procedures are simplified.</i></b> In addition to fixed use reservations for quarter periods, premier clubs can make a recurring reservation for one facility up to two times a week on an annual (yearly) basis. Priority is given in the use of lockers.</li> <li>3. <b><i>An On-campus Advisor will provide knowledge and support of their administration.</i></b> Premier organizations will have an on campus advisor to give managerial advice.</li> <li>4. <b><i>Included in organization introductions in University promotional literature.</i></b></li> <li>5. <b><i>An organization's activities can be announced during University-run events like the entrance ceremony.</i></b></li> <li>6. <b><i>Information promoted outside of campus.</i></b></li> </ol>
<b>Eligibility criteria</b>	<p>The four basic criteria for becoming a Premier Organization are: A commitment to longevity, Outstanding achievements, Outstanding management, Internationalism, and Reduction. Screening and selection will be through documents and interviews.</p> <p><b>A commitment to longevity</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The organization must be registered for a continuous duration of 2 years and active for a continuous 5 years</li> <li>▪ There must be at least 10 members</li> </ul> <p><b>Outstanding achievements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All organizations must fulfill the criteria for their type of organization.</li> </ul> <p><i>Sports:</i> The organization must be registered for a student league, and participate in official tournaments. The organization must participate in tournaments greater than the Prefectural level.</p> <p><i>Culture and Arts:</i> The organization must set up and run the regular event such as regular concert in order to present your activities to rest of APU students.</p> <p><i>Academic and Volunteer:</i> The organization must be actively involved in research activities on or off campus regularly. They must then publish or otherwise announce the results of their research on campus.</p> <p><b>Internationalism</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The organization must fulfill either condition ① or ②, below.</li> </ul> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>① No more than 80% of the organization can come from any one nationality or region.</li> <li>② Must be responsible for activities that support “International Mutual Understanding”.</li> </ol> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Advertisements must be in both Japanese and English. Additionally, meetings and notices within the organization should be in the language most appropriate to the group.</li> </ul>

	<p><b>Outstanding management</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Semester activity and financial reports as well as other applications submitted to the Student Office must be on record and kept for over a year.</li> <li>▪ You must have a record of minutes for every meeting over the last year, and continue to record and keep them.</li> <li>▪ The policies of the organization and methods of choosing new leaders must be recorded.</li> <li>▪ Homepage should be updated once a year or the information should be periodically announced on and off campus.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Role</b></p>	<p>Premier organizations receive greater services, and must therefore contribute to the development of extracurricular activities at APU.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>① Premier organizations must be a bridge between the University and other extracurricular organizations. They must attend the premier organizations meeting, and represent the student organizations.</li> <li>② Premier organizations must be involved in events benefiting all student organizations, such as leader's camp or in the management of welcome activities for new students.</li> </ul>

\* Please note that this information is subject to change.