Williams College Funding Resources

Note: #1-8 have more detailed descriptions available at:
http://student-life.williams.edu/student-involvement/supplemental-funding/

1. **E-Comm**

   The Entertainment Co-Sponsorship Committee (EComm) is a body of students from across campus with a $25,000 annual budget (jointly funded by College Council and the Office of Student Life) to support parties, concerts, and performances that are open to the whole student body. Plus, EComm members are experts at event planning and can help you out if you have questions about where to get stuff cheap. Funds can pay for food, decorations, and most other event expenses (except for alcohol).

   EComm funds are for student-planned events only. You do not need to be affiliated with a CC-recognized student organization to receive funding – you can just be a group of friends or an individual person!

2. **College Council**

   Co-sponsorship money can be used for any all campus or class wide event. Possible events including guest speakers, charity events, recreational athletic competitions, & community building activities. Funds can pay for food, decorations, and most other event expenses. However, co-sponsorship money cannot be used for alcohol. Events must be open to the entire campus.

3. **CLiA**

   Limited funding is available for programs and projects that fit with the mission of the Center for Learning in Action which is to cultivate and sustain experiential learning opportunities, curricular and non-curricular, in the service of the teaching goals of Williams faculty, the civic aspirations of our students and the needs of the wider community.

   Funding is available for programs and projects in which students (or, in some cases, other members of the Williams community) are actively engaged with partner organizations or projects in the community beyond the College. Ordinarily, CLiA funding is not available for projects that are contained entirely within or intended exclusively for the College community. Exceptions can be made for relevant special events such as training workshops to prepare students for work in the community. Contact Colin Ovitsky (cmo2) for more info.

4. **Chaplain's Office**

   Funding is available for events and projects that have a primary home in the Williams College community, whether in the work of a registered student organization in good standing, of an *ad hoc* student group or project, or of another college office or department.

   Criteria for eligibility include:
   - The project or event is open to the entire College community – or intended for a particular segment of the community in a way that is inclusive
   - The project or event is designed or intended to further the values of healthy spiritual, religious or ethical life; to increase awareness of particular ethical or social concerns; to celebrate the gifts of a particular community to the wider community or society; to speak to a need that has not been addressed adequately elsewhere in college programming; to speak or enact a prophetic word about injustice, oppression or intolerance.
   - The project or event is thoughtfully planned with appropriate attention to such matters as leadership, advertising, follow-up, and responsible use of and accountability for resources.
   - The project or event is intended to build up the community.

6. **Dively: Chris Waters and Anjuli Raza Kolb**

    The Dively Fund's annual earnings are to be devoted to campus events that advance an engagement with human sexuality and diversity, with a special focus on queer culture and politics. Proposals are particularly welcome that address current issues of community interest related to the concerns of the Queer Student Union and similar organizations. Funds are not available for individual student projects, such as internships and travel, etc. Please note that requests should not be submitted via the supplemental funding form. Proposals will be considered only twice each year and all proposals must be submitted by an OCTOBER 1st or a FEBRUARY 15th deadline. Rarely will the Dively Committee fund more than 50% of any single event, and rarely will it be able to contribute more than $500 to any one event. Please contact the co-chairs of Dively, Anjuli Raza Kolb (afk2) and Chris Waters (cwaters) for full proposal requirements.

7. **VP for Campus Life fund (through supplemental funding form) – Aaron Gordon/Susan Gaskell**

    The fund supports programs that enhance the quality of undergraduate and will contribute up to $400 to an event. This fund is meant to supplement rather than be the primary support for an event. Student organizations will need to provide their student org account number, and individual students will need to find a sponsor with a department account number. Funds will be reimbursed to this account after the event has taken place and a post-event evaluation form is filled out.

8. **Zilkha: Amy Johns/Mike Evans**

    The Zilkha Center for Environmental Initiatives offers funding for student programs. The program must be related to sustainability (broadly defined), must happen on campus and must be open to all parts of the campus community. Our funding is offered on a rolling basis throughout the academic year and we generally contribute between $100 and $1000, depending on the project. We require students to submit a full budget (including other proposed sources of funding) and a brief (paragraph or two) project request/rationale. Proposals must be submitted at least a week before the proposed event.

9. **Lecture Committee: Roger Kittleson**

    Requests for funds are due **September 17 and November 24**. Proposals should be submitted electronically to Veronica Bosley (vbosley@williams.edu). **Please email for full funding requirements.**

    The Lecture Committee is looking to fund visits by scholars, writers and artists that will make significant contributions to programs, departments and the college as whole. The committee will fund up to 50% of the cost of an event. Typically, the maximum contribution will be $1000. Larger contributions are possible, however, particularly for ambitious projects that are of interest to a variety of constituencies across the campus. To ensure that events have broad support, proposals must successfully raise funds from at least one source other than the Lecture Committee. Students are invited to identify speakers of possible interest. To request support from the Lecture Committee, though, students must have a faculty sponsor.

10. **Alumni Relations: Sharifa Wright**

    Alumni Relations **awards grants for up to, and not exceeding $300** for MinCo groups or individual students to develop programming that is specifically targeted at strengthen student & alumni ties. Funding is not guaranteed to all groups and requests will only be considered as long as funding is available. Students applying for this funding should not enter into any agreements, formal or informal with any alum without the prior written approval of Alumni Relations and the Davis Center. To apply, submit a brief 3-7 sentence paragraph to your DC point-person & cc: Sharifa Wright '03 (slw4) indicating how you intend to use this request and how your proposed gathering will help strengthen alumni and student ties.

11. **Dining Services: Bob Volpi**

Dining Services can discounted swipes with proceeds going to charities that student groups are raising money on behalf.

12. Career Counseling: Mike O'Connor

Limited program funding is available for student programs that support the mission of the office. Please contact Mike O'Connor, Interim Director, for details.

13. Bronfman Advisory Committee

The Bronfman Advisory Committee for Jewish Cultural and Academic Events' members are drawn from the faculty, staff, and student body. This non-standing committee is responsible for devising and arranging visiting lectures and events on campus that present Jewish intellectual and cultural life to the College community. The Committee frequently works with departments and programs to co-sponsor programs. Please contact the committee chair, Ali Garbarini (agarbari) for more details.

14. Academic Departments

When contacting an academic department to request for funding email the department chair a detailed proposal with all the information pertaining to the event. Be sure to include your club/organization's Peoplesoft Account Number (this is how they transfer funding), list other co-sponsors and their projected contributions, and of course the event's details. You should also be sure to include the department as a sponsor on all publicity materials and to thank your co-sponsors during opening remarks. Academic departments usually fund programs with strong or direct ties to their curriculum or extra-curricular priorities that have been developed for the academic year. Levels of funding can vary greatly (i.e. $50 - $1000) but the typical funding allotment is usually in the range of $100 - $500.

15. Gaudino Fund

Students requesting funding should pay close attention to the focus of the program on uncomfortable learning, and should address explicitly in their email to me how the activity for which they seek funding furthers the mission of the fund to promote "reflection, confronting our own biases through immersive engagement with otherness and, through that experience, learning to know ourselves more deeply and differently." Requests for activities that address the question "At what cost?" (see bottom of the webpage for elaboration) are particularly welcome. Requests are typically for $100-200 and should include clear information on the total budget and cost-sharing by other funding sources on campus. More information at: http://gaudino.williams.edu.