

Co-curricular activities – Information form

This document presents information on what constitutes a co-curricular activity. Activities that do not meet the requirements described here will be considered extra-curricular.

When deciding if an activity is co-curricular, it is helpful to consult this document. Please, address any questions to the Chair of the Assessment Committee, the Chair of the Curriculum Committee, or the VPAA.

The application form for requesting an activity to be considered co-curricular and the assessment form for such activities are separate documents.

I. Requirement for an activity to be considered co-curricular

For an activity to be considered co-curricular, it needs to satisfy <u>all</u> the following criteria.

- Activity needs to be student-led or organized in partnership with students.
- Activity needs to be open to all students. Though there may be academic criteria for a student to qualify to participate (e.g., meeting a certain GPA threshold or having taken the math class for which they are tutoring), there should not be any programmatic or other criteria (e.g., being a certain major, being a first- or second-year student, etc.)
- Activity needs to be recurring for the students. For example, if a student club is organizing a series of field trips to different locations, even though each trip is at a different location, the activity (field trip) is recurring.
- Only the SENMC students who are leading/organizing the event are assessed. The participants to the event are not assessed. For example, if a group of students (group A) is leading a math tutoring event where other SENMC students (group B) can drop in to get help with their homework, group A will be the one assessed in terms of whether the co-curricular activity has met the outcomes, not group B. Of course, group B can be assessed on whether the event has been successful for this group B, but this assessment will not be a co-curricular assessment.

II. Possible outcomes

In addition to the requirements described in Section I, for an activity to be considered co-curricular, it must address one or more of the following learning outcomes. The last five outcomes represent General Education outcomes:

- Leadership
- Communication
- Quantitative reasoning
- Critical thinking
- Personal and social responsibility (this includes teamwork, DEI awareness, etc.)
- Information and digital literacy

III. List of co-curricular activities

The activities listed in this section represent activities that already meet (or can easily meet) the requirements listed in Sections I and II above. This is an example (not a comprehensive) list to show the variety of activities that can qualify.

- PTK
- Math summer bootcamp*
- Math movement*
- STEM club
- Peer mentors
- Student Government Association
- Financial literacy events (multiple, not just one)
- Mind control events
- Sensory activities (Early Childhood Education)**
- Criminal justice club**

* Student tutors need to be hired to satisfy the requirement that there is partnership with students.

** These need to become a club open to all students (not just the students majoring in Early Childhood Education or Criminal Justice).