



Student Chapter Program Guide

AATCC has developed a Programs Guide for Student Chapters. This is simply a guide to help you organize programs and to create a successful Student Chapter. These programs are not required by AATCC. You may implement any of these ideas and adapt the programs according to your specific Student Chapter needs. If you have any questions in regards to this Program’s Guide please contact AATCC.

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Tips to creating a Successful Student Chapter

- Remember to use www.aatcc.org as a resource.
- To be an active Student Chapter, you must have at least 10 Student members who have formally joined AATCC
 - Please join [here](#)
 - See our benefits flyer [here](#)
 - AATCC Graduation Gift to You: Pay the Student Member rate (and get the student benefits, like free admission to AATCC's International Conference) for up to 2 years after graduation to start your career! (contact [Membership Services](#) for details)
- Remember your student benefits!
 - Post your [resume](#)
 - Check out [Student Internships](#)
- Have an icebreaker at the beginning of each meeting so members can get to know each other
- Create an agenda before each meeting and send reminders to members
- Check out our [events](#) page to see if there are local AATCC events in your area and the [local section](#) pages
- Fundraise and budget to attend our [International Conference](#)
- Check out our [Foundation](#) page for scholarships
- Sign up for the free [AATCC Newsletter](#) and download the free AATCC App (for [Android](#) or [Apple](#) phones)
- Create Social Media pages to keep everyone informed such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram
- Send AATCC any updates on your Student Chapters including meeting minutes, pictures, emails. We love hearing about your activities and will post on our own Social Media and E-Newsletter when we can.
- Remember to respond to emails from AATCC. We like to get updates at least twice a year by teleconference with students and faculty advisors. Once in September and once in March!
- Contact AATCC if you need any additional assistance with you Student Chapter

Note: If your Student Chapter would like to add a program to this Student Chapter guide, please contact AATCC. We will give acknowledgement to the Student Chapters who submit programs added to this guide. Please contact AATCC if you also have any special requests for programs.

Plan a Social Activity

- Ice Cream Social
- Pizza Party
- Stress Relief Programs during exams
 - Make stress balls
 - Board game night
 - Have a Pancake night
- Tie Dye t-shirts
- Complete a Pinterest project

Invite a Speaker

- How to search for a speaker for an AATCC Student Chapter event:
 - Log in to your AATCC Membership account at www.aatcc.org
 - Click Find Members on the right hand side
 - Search under Person Member Directory
 - Search by Senior/Associate members and City/State to see AATCC members in your area
 - Click on names to find an appropriate speaker and Email/Phone the member for your event
 - Contact AATCC to assist in finding a speaker
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Plan a Field Trip

- Look for local events related to textiles through museums, events, and businesses
- Plan a trip to a local business
 - Visit www.aatcc.org to see a list of all our corporate members or search the membership database to see if there are companies near the University to visit
 - Contact someone within the company to schedule a tour
 - Be sure to engage interest and participation for the trip so the company can prepare adequately
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Watch an AATCC Pre-Recorded Webinar

- Pre-recorded webinars are available for AATCC Student Chapters to use for free as a chapter program
 - Choose which webinar you would like to request by viewing snippets here: http://www.aatcc.org/events/online/Webinar_Snippets.htm
 - Contact our Education Coordinator, Kim Nichols (nicholsk@aatcc.org) with webinar name and date you wish to watch
 - She will provide a “token” to use instead of payment when ordering and will give you help and instruction on watching the webinar, if you need
 - Main Webinar Page: <http://www.aatcc.org/events/online/webinars.htm>
 - **Note: Live webinars are not free for Student Members**

Philanthropy/Community Service

- Collect or make blankets for a local shelter
- Make or collect hats for cancer patients (e.g. www.knotsoflove.org)
- Collect clothing donations for charity (e.g. www.donationscentral.org or www.dressforsuccess.org)

Fundraising Ideas

- Mend-A-Thon: Mend clothes for others at your University. Charge \$1-\$5 for items such as button replacement, hems, slight tears, etc.
- Have a bake sale
- Have a Fashion Show and charge for admittance
- Sell a product that the Student Chapter members can make at low cost

Career Night

- Have a professional career night where everyone who attends must dress in professional attire
- Have everyone bring resumes and peer-edit resumes. Chapters could even organize to have their University career center come speak about resumes and interviews
- Have a few attendees have mock interviews and let peers give feedback of what was done well and what could be improved OR break everyone up into pairs and have each other conduct mock interviews to practice interviewing skills. Click [here](#) for some sample interview questions
- Invite a Senior Member from your [Local Section](#) to come and conduct mock interviews

Speed Networking

- Have all attendees of the event partner up
- Form two circles so that each partner is facing each other but the group makes two separate circles. One partner will be part of the inner circle and the second the outer circle
- Set a timer for 2 minutes. During this time each partner must introduce themselves, describe their experiences, what they can offer to a company, ask each other questions, etc. Practice networking and introducing yourselves to professionals. If you have a business card, bring one!
- After the 2 minutes are up, have the internal circle move clockwise and the outside circle moves counterclockwise
- Repeat until each person has met with one another or until time permits

Test your Color Vision

- Please contact AATCC to conduct this program. AATCC will send you a Color Vision testing kit for the Student Chapter to use upon request. One Color Vision testing kit per year per Student Chapter will be allotted.
- All Color Vision Testing Kits MUST be mailed back to AATCC by ONE week
- Color Vision Testing kits will be sent to Student Chapters at AATCC's discretion. There will be blocked times when the kit cannot be mailed out
- Only domestic Student Chapters

AATCC Jeopardy

- Please contact AATCC for the Jeopardy game. The game will be sent to you via email along with directions.