

College Club Fencing and USA Fencing Membership

College fencing clubs have continued to grow and strengthen across the country. Over 80 clubs joined USA Fencing as Affiliate or Member Clubs and are benefitting from membership. These clubs range from 5 to 100 fencers and are on campuses of all sizes. You don't need to be a huge University or a large roster to enjoy the benefits of a fencing club while you attend college.

Are you interested in starting a club on your campus? GREAT! Please call Member Services at (719)-866-4511 for more information on how to proceed.

Here are some of the benefits to a college club who joins USA Fencing:

1. Being an Affiliate member of USA Fencing allows you to host sanctioned events. Many colleges and universities will host one large sanctioned event a year and use it as a fundraiser. One of the benefits of a sanctioned event is that they will generate classification changes recognized by the National Office. So, you will attract a larger group of participants, which translates to more revenue for the club. Click [here](#) for club membership forms.
2. Once you are an Affiliate Club, every fencer on your squad can purchase a collegiate competitive membership for \$45, which provides the same benefits of the regular competitive membership. Some clubs might only have five or six fencers looking to fence on the local, regional or national level, but the \$50 fee for being an affiliate member club is immediately made back through the savings on the individual memberships. Click [here](#) for individual membership forms.
3. Listing - your club will be listed on our website.
4. Representation - your athletes will be able to represent your school at local, regional and national events.
5. Leverage - some college clubs believe it is helpful in dealing with their campus club office to be associated with the National Governing Body for the sport. Some have said it indicates a higher level of organization, which can help with funding from the college.
6. Connection to the fencing community - this is a less tangible benefit, but a very important one as we all work together to grow the sport and ensure a bright future.
7. Support from your National Office - we are here to serve our membership. Need help fund raising? Give us a call and we can connect you with other programs that have been successful. If you have any idea or a need or general question involving fencing and your club membership, call or email us at (719) 866-4511 or information@usfencing.org.