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Reach For The Stars

What is Star Grading and how can you get 5 Star Status?

What is Star Grading

Star status means that Clubs and Societies have gone above and byeond to create an accessible, collaborative and engaging community for their members.

Members joining a 3/4/5* club or society can expect a high level of service with regular activities, giving them real experiences and opportunities to aid their personal and professional development.

















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Why take part

Show the quality of your activities are of a higher standard and get rewarded

3 Star Rewards

- 3 Star Certificate
- Shout out post on SUBU Opps Socials
- Resharing of events on Opps stories
- 3 Star badge and any branch badges gained displayed on club webpage

4 Star Rewards

- 4 Star Certificate
- Shout out post on SUBU Opps Socials
- Resharing of events on Opps stories
- 4 Star badge and any branch badges gained displayed on club webpage
- LinkedIn Endorsement for committee members of skills developed

5 Star Rewards

- 5 Star Certificate
- Shout out post on SUBU Opps Socials
- Resharing of events on Opps stories
- 5 Star badge and any branch badges gained displayed on club webpage
- LinkedIn Endorsement for committee members of skills developed
- Cash prize to club account
- Priority placement at Refreshers
- Priority placement at Freshers next year

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How to get involved?

Get involved by completing tasks to win points.

Each task is worth 25 points!

Each branch is worth 200 points!

You can mix and match tasks from different branches, or complete whole branches if you are passionate about the topic.
If you complete all the tasks in a branch, you earn a badge on your certificate.



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The Branches





People and Planet

Tasks completed from this branch show commitment to sustainability and community impact.

Examples in this branch include:

- Using an Amazon-alternative or purchasing items at local businesses or charity shops

- Log volunteering hours on the volunteering Hub, including hours you have spent volunteering for the society e.g. committee admin tasks, sending emails, running social events, etc., as well as other volunteering activities



Student Action

Tasks completed from this branch show commitment to action and student voice.

Examples in this branch include:

- Promoting the student voice by filling out a Shout Out form
- Run an event or stall as part of a SUBU/National History Month or Awareness Week/Day or collaborate with a Liberation Network



Wellbeing and Belonging

Tasks completed from this branch show commitment to development, wellbeing, and accessibility.

Examples in this branch include:

- Promote wellbeing by engaging wih a SUBU wellbeing campagin, or run your own wellbeing orientated event
- Aim to widen membership and submit a Widening Access Policy



Events and Outreach

Tasks completed from this branch show commitment to running activities and promoting themselves.

Examples in this branch include:

- Host a collaborative Event with one or more SUBU Societies
- Utilise social media regularly by posting 10x times on social media, this could be about upcoming events, socials or volunteering!



Bonus Branch

Tasks completed from this branch show comittment from new clubs who started after the Christmas break.

Examples in this branch include:

- Designing a logo for the society
- Customising the society webpage

Submitting Evidence

We'd recommend keeping a document to store all the tasks you have completed to help keep you on track. You can use a Word Doc/spreadsheet. The Student Opportunities team keep a record, so you can always check with us too!

To submit evidence, just fill in the Star Grading Submission form.

Find this form in the Committee Zone - https://www.subu.org.uk/groups/list/committee-zone/stargrading/

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What counts as Evidence?

You can submit photographs and screenshots of tasks, events and event promotion to support as evidence to complete a task.

If unsure, feel free to get in touch with the team!

When should we submit Evidence?

It’s your choice when you submit evidence.
You do this all at once or if you want to keep your place on the leaderboard, submit as you go.

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3 Star

200 points



4 Star

400 points



5 Star

600 points



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My club has achieved 5 Star rating... now what?

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The Leaderboard

You don’t have to achieve all the points but for the competitive spirits amongst you, we present our Star Grading Leaderboard!

This a great chance to show off the quality of your club and stay ahead.

If you finish the year in 1st place, that club automatically wins our ‘5 Star Club of the Year Award’ at SUBU Awards! (A big end of year party and ceremoney celebrating your hard work).



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Five Star Society of the Year!

Wildlife Conservation Society

25/26 Winners

Thank you

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