

# Pre-Veterinary Student Association at UCSD

## **Academic Year 2018-2019 Principal Members:**

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**Name of the Organization:** Pre-Veterinary Student Association at UCSD

**Statement of Purpose:** To inform and guide students who are interested in pursuing careers in veterinary medicine by introducing various resources such as volunteering opportunities and contacts with experienced professionals. In addition, the Pre-Veterinary Student Association at UCSD strives to create a positive community centered around helping one another reach their own individual goals within the field of veterinary medicine. A network of resources, support, and companionship will be fostered in order to motivate and encourage students to follow their chosen career paths. The club will help members refine their skills, improve their resumes, and expand their knowledge in preparation for applying to veterinary school.

The Pre-Veterinary Student Association at UCSD is a non-profit student organization.

**Requirements for Membership:** Membership status for any student is attained at beginning of inductions, and is maintained so long as said student attends at least half of the meetings and half of the club events within a quarter. Members will be given priority for club event with limited resources or space. Non-members may still attend club meetings and events. Dues may be announced at the beginning of the year upon the discretion of the principal members. Dues must be agreed upon by members before payment.

**Frequency of Organization Meetings:** Meetings will be held every other Tuesday except on the tenth week on the quarter.

**Qualifications for holding office and methods of selecting and replacing officers:** Club officers will be selected by the current board at the beginning of May. In order to

be considered eligible, members must have met all membership requirements, apply within the deadline, have had some sort of veterinary or position-related experience, and be a registered UCSD student.

Officer positions include president, vice president, secretary, web media publicity, campus publicity, and social chair. Board member reassignment may be discussed if necessary.

**Risk Management:** In the event the Pre-Veterinary Student Association at UCSD contemplates bringing live animals on campus, it will follow all applicable UCSD policy, state, and federal requirements for the handling and demonstration of animals. This includes contacting the UCSD Veterinarian at the Animals Care Program Office prior to any live animal demonstrations, petting zoos, etc. so he/she can evaluate for disease transmission and observer safety, complying with all recommendations/requirements the Veterinarian proscribes (including any prohibitions on bringing animals on campus), and partnering with professionals trained in animal care and handling. The Pre-Veterinary Student Association at UCSD is a registered student organization at University of California, San Diego, but not part of the University itself. The Pre-Veterinary Student Association at UCSD understands that the University does not assume legal liability for the actions of the organization.

**Financial Management:** To be determined.