



**DESIGN** *for* **AMERICA**  
uc san diego students using design to create local and social impact

#### ARTICLE I. NAME OF STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The organization shall be called **Design for America @ UCSD** at UCSD.

#### ARTICLE II. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

*Design for America @ UCSD tackles challenges in our community by working in interdisciplinary project teams to develop daring, feasible, and applicable solutions following the key principles of human-centered design.*

#### ARTICLE III. NONPROFIT STATEMENT

**Design for America @ UCSD** at UCSD is a non-profit student organization.

#### ARTICLE IV. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

- Students of all majors are encouraged to join project teams.
- There is limited membership for our project teams.
- There will be 4-6 year-long project teams comprise our studio.
- Prospective project team members apply to join the studio at the start of the school year through an application process.
- Designated team leads accept new team members.
- We will be accepting 4-6 project team members per project team each year.
- \$10 dues are required from all project team members. If a member fails to pay dues, they will be removed from the studio.
- Our open workshops and events are open to everyone.

#### ARTICLE V. FREQUENCY OF ORGANIZATION MEETINGS

- All-Studio Meetings are held on Mondays from 7-8 pm PST in HSS 1346.
- All-Studio office hours are held on Mondays from 6-7 pm PST in
- Project teams can have additional meetings outside of All-Studio Meetings, as decided by Team Leads.

#### ARTICLE VI. QUALIFICATIONS FOR HOLDING OFFICE AND METHODS OF SELECTING AND REPLACING OFFICERS

Only registered UCSD students may hold office in the organization. Only registered UCSD students may vote in elections for the selection of the organization's officers.

Studio leadership is comprised of **two Presidents, a TBD Lead, a Social Media and Marketing Director, and Team Leads.**

- **Presidents** maintain communication with the national Design For America Network, direct All-Studio meetings, make sure the organization mission is upheld, and guides the studio vision.
- **TBD Lead** is in charge of the To Be Designed (TBD) program: planning, leading, coordinating the 2 quarter-long projects including recruiting team members and community partners.
- **Team Leads** decide project topics and lead project teams to address challenges within the community.
- **Social Media and Marketing Director** plans recruitment week and manages social media accounts. A project team member can hold this position.

New team leads and President/Vice President will be appointed at the end of each school year through a similar application process to that of project membership. Appointed leadership holds their position for the entirety of a school year. Previous studio members are eligible for leadership roles.

In special cases, leadership can be removed at the discretion of the rest of the leadership, based on discussion and a vote.

## ARTICLE VII. RISK MANAGEMENT

**Design for America @ UCSD** at UCSD is a registered student organization at the University of California, San Diego, but not part of the University itself.

**Design for America @ UCSD** at UCSD understands that the University does not assume legal liability for the actions of the organization.

### ARTICLE VII. SECTION 1. IN CASE OF INTERACTION WITH MINORS AND/OR THE ELDERLY

**Design for America @ UCSD** at UCSD is aware that all registered student organizations that serve minors or the elderly have access to training on child and elder abuse prevention for its members via the Center for Student Involvement, online or in person (in person by request only). **Design for America @ UCSD** will develop plan(s) for activities and events where members will be interacting with minors or the elderly such that members will receive education and/or training on Child Abuse Neglect Reporting Act (CANRA), common sense measures to both avoid child or elder abuse allegations (i.e. avoiding one-on-one situations; working with minors in plain view of others; limiting calls/texts/social media posts or other communications with minors), and how to

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properly report potential harm or neglect to minors or the elderly with whom they are working.

#### ARTICLE VIII. COMMUNITY ADVISOR

Andy Hoffman: Service Organizations

#### ARTICLE IX. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

**Design for America at UCSD** will finance its activities through a combination of fundraising events, donations, and applying to grants and available student funding.

#### ARTICLE X. AFFILIATION WITH OTHER GROUPS

**Design for America at UCSD** is affiliated with the Design for America National Network - more information which may be found at [designforamerica.com](http://designforamerica.com).

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