

TEDx@UCSanDiego Constitution — 2023-2024 Academic Year

1. This organization shall be called *TEDx@UCSanDiego*.

2. Statement of Purpose

TEDx@UCSanDiego's mission is to bring together leading thinkers and doers to share ideas that matter in and to any discipline. Through a local forum, we hope to inspire people to change their lives, their futures, and ultimately, their world. We aim to engage, inspire, and celebrate all generations of the UC San Diego family. We encourage team members to connect with others and grow from the experience of working with each other in planning this event.

3. *TEDx@UCSanDiego* is a non-profit student organization.

4. Requirements for Membership

All University of California, San Diego students will be eligible for membership regardless of race, color, national origin, creed, gender, religion, sex, disability, gender identity, age, medical condition, ancestry, ethnicity, marital status, citizenship, sexual orientation, military status, or socioeconomic status.

a. *Who is eligible for membership?*

Any registered UC San Diego undergraduate student may hold a board position.

b. *How does one become a member?*

New members are selected by application and interview with current board members.

c. *How are members identified?*

TEDx@UCSanDiego members are those who are part of the executive board.

6. Frequency of organization meetings

a. The executive board shall meet every week.

b. Meeting minutes will be taken by the Internal Affairs team members.

7. Qualifications for holding office and methods of selecting and replacing officers
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b. *Who are eligible?*

Executive board members are chosen based on an application and interview process. Any student who is passionate about the organization and its mission is eligible for office.

c. *How many officers are there?*

TEDx@UCSanDiego has around 25-30 members.

d. *When do positions open?*

Applications for the current academic year open every Fall.

e. *How long are positions held?*

Positions on the executive board are held for the duration of one academic year. Members will be reevaluated every Spring for their continuation onto the following year's team.

f. *What positions are available?*

All executive board members are part of a sub-team, as outlined below:

- i. Director – overlooks and guides organization in planning a successful event
- ii. External Relations – deals with affairs outside of our organization, whether that be other university organizations or unaffiliated parties outside of UC San Diego
- iii. Internal Relations – manages affairs within the organization and helps increase fluidity and transparency of information among team members
- iv. Marketing – manage marketing and all media content
- v. Finance – manages funding and reaches out to sponsors
- vi. Speaker Relations – Reaches out to potential speakers for the event and communicates logistics with them
- vii. Graphic Design – Designs marketing materials and website
- viii. Experience Design – curates event atmosphere and connects theme with audience experience
- ix. Experience Production – Organizes & executes the technical elements of events
- x. Media - creates, collects, and showcases content to represent our events and our organization's public image

8. Risk Management

TEDx@UCSanDiego is a registered student organization at the University of California, San Diego, but not part of the University itself.

TEDx@UCSanDiego understands that the University does not assume legal liability for the actions of the organization.

- a. Becoming a member of TEDx@UCSanDiego is a very low-risk situation. During events, all lighting and stage equipment are handled by professionals, and we shall do our best to make sure every member is safe, secure, and healthy.

b. *Working with minors or the elderly*

TEDx@UCSanDiego may sometimes work with speakers who are minors or elders. However, all people who work with our organization consent to the risks, of which there are not many.

- i. TEDx@UCSanDiego 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). TEDx@UCSanDiego 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 properly report potential harm or neglect to minors or the elderly with whom they are working.

9. Financial Management

- a. *How will TEDx@UCSanDiego finance its activities?*
TEDx@UCSanDiego finances its activities through sponsorships, grants, and fundraising.
- b. *How will any money TEDx@UCSanDiego earns or gathers be handled?*
TEDx@UCSanDiego has a finance team that is responsible for the management of funds.
- c. *Will your organization submit a budget to the A.S. or G.S.A finance committee quarterly?*
Before our Salon events and Main Conference Event we shall submit a TAP that follows the necessary guidelines and procedures; however, most of our funding is received from sponsors that we gather for the Main Conference.

10. Affiliation with other groups

- a. *Affiliation with TEDx*
In the spirit of ideas worth spreading, TEDx is a program of local, self-organized events that bring people together to share a TED-like experience. At a TEDx event, TEDTalks video and live speakers combine to spark deep discussion and connection in a small group. These local, self-organized events are branded TEDx, where x = independently organized TED event. The TED Conference provides general guidance for the TEDx program, but individual TEDx events are self-organized. (Subject to certain rules and regulations.)
- b. *Affiliation with TED*
TED is a nonprofit organization devoted to Ideas Worth Spreading. Started as a four-day conference in California 30 years ago, TED has grown to support its mission with multiple initiatives. The two annual TED Conferences invite the world's leading thinkers and doers to speak for 18 minutes or less. Many of these talks are then made available, free, at TED.com. TED speakers have included Bill Gates, Jane Goodall, Elizabeth Gilbert, Sir Richard Branson, Nandan Nilekani, Philippe Starck, Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Sal Khan and Daniel Kahneman.
The annual TED Conference takes place each spring in Vancouver, British Columbia. TED's media initiatives include TED.com, where new TED Talks are posted daily; TED Translators, which provides subtitles and interactive transcripts as well as translations from volunteers worldwide; the educational initiative TED-Ed. TED has established The Audacious Project that takes a collaborative approach to funding ideas with the potential to create change at thrilling scale; TEDx, which supports individuals or groups in hosting local, self-organized TED-style events around the world, and the TED Fellows program, helping world-changing innovators from around the globe to amplify the impact of their remarkable projects and activities.
- c. As a TEDx organization that is a subset of TED, TEDx@UCSanDiego must abide by all rules and regulations imposed by TED.