

Chemistry Student Selected Seminar Committee at UC San Diego - 2024-2025 Academic Year

Article I: Name of Student Organization

The organization shall be called Chemistry Student Selected Seminar Committee (SSSC) at UC San Diego.

Article II: Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this organization is to promote academic and professional connections through student-selected seminars in the fields of organic, inorganic, and materials chemistry. This group is focused on providing a space dedicated to introducing chemistry students to novel and exciting organic, inorganic, and materials research happening outside of UCSD. Through this organization, members have the opportunity to solicit nominations from various research labs within the Chemistry & Biochemistry department, prepare and plan an entire day for the student-selected seminar, and communicate with researchers from outside institutions.

Article III: Non-Profit Statement

SSSC at UC San Diego is a non-profit student organization.

Article IV: Requirements for Membership

Membership is free and open to any graduate and undergraduate student but intended for graduate students who wish to take part in the planning and preparation of student-led seminars within the Chemistry & Biochemistry department. Membership is intended for students who participate in or are interested in research through the Chemistry & Biochemistry department. Membership is obtained by applying to a principal member and describing why they want to be part of the organization.

Article V: Frequency of Organization Meetings

A minimum of one group-wide meeting open to all participants will be held per quarter during the academic year. Members within smaller working groups will meet on an as needed basis throughout the academic year to plan and prepare for upcoming seminars.

Article VI: Qualification for Holding Office and Methods of Selecting and Replacing Officers

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

Officers are nominated by prior principal members in the organization. Officers are replaced according to a majority vote. All officers share an equal position with equal responsibilities. Officers are responsible for regularly attending meetings, taking notes during meetings, communicating with graduate students or faculty advisors in the Chemistry & Biochemistry department, communicating with researchers from other institutions, and planning for student-selected seminar events.

Article VII. Risk Management

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SSSC at UC San Diego is a registered student organization at University of California, San Diego, but not part of the University itself.

SSSC at UC San Diego understands that the University does not assume legal liability for the actions of the organization.

There are no possible risks associated with organization membership.

Article VIII. Hazing Prevention

All officers are educated in hazing according to their principal member training.

Article IX: Community Mentor

The faculty mentor must be a professor in the Chemistry & Biochemistry Department. The faculty advisor will provide assistance to successfully organize SSSC events. A faculty member may serve as mentor for as long as they are willing to serve. Members of the executive committee may propose obtaining a new mentor if they deem the current advisor insufficient/ineffective with regards to the success of SSSC.

Article X: Financial Management

Depending on whether funds are needed, they will be requested from the Chemistry & Biochemistry Department, GPSA, Triton Community Fund, Center for Student Involvement, or other funding agencies at UCSD. If necessary, additional funding will be obtained from fundraising activities and additional sponsorships.

Article XI: Affiliation With Other Groups

SSSC is not currently affiliated with any other organizations on or off of UC San Diego campus.