

TRITON TAILS - FURRIES AT UC SAN DIEGO CONSTITUTION

2024-2025

ARTICLE I. NAME OF STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The organization shall be called Triton Tails - Furries at UC San Diego.

ARTICLE II. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Triton Tails - Furries at UC San Diego is a student organization that aims to create a welcoming and inclusive community for all furries on campus. Our goal is to provide a safe and fun environment for furries to come together and express themselves without fear of judgment or discrimination.

While we do not seek to promote any specific issue or topic, we do aim to raise awareness of the furry fandom and educate others on the misconceptions and stereotypes surrounding it. We believe that by fostering a positive and accepting community, we can help combat stigma and promote diversity and inclusion.

By being a part of Triton Tails, organization members can expect to meet like-minded individuals, attend fun and engaging events, and engage in discussions about furry culture and related topics. Members will have the opportunity to connect with fellow furries and build lasting friendships while also expanding their knowledge and understanding of the furry fandom. Additionally, members will have the chance to participate in community service projects and other initiatives that promote the well-being of our campus and surrounding community.

ARTICLE III. NONPROFIT STATEMENT

Triton Tails - Furries at UC San Diego is a non-profit student organization.

ARTICLE IV. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Membership in Triton Tails - Furries at UC San Diego is open to all students regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic. Our organization promotes diversity, inclusivity, and acceptance, and we welcome all who share these values.

There are no dues or fees required for membership in Triton Tails. Anyone who is interested in joining the organization can do so by expressing their interest and engaging with our community through our social media channels and group chat.

To maintain active status, members are expected to engage with the group in some way shape or form on a monthly basis. This can include attending events or participating in group chat discussions. Those who have been inactive for a month or more will be considered associate members, but they can regain their active status by simply interacting with the group chat or attending an event.

Triton Tails - Furries at UC San Diego is committed to promoting diversity and inclusion, and we adhere to the Nondiscrimination Policy Statement for University of California Publications regarding

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Student-Related Matters. As such, membership is open to all students, with the exception of officially recognized sororities or fraternities, which may be limited by gender according to UCOP Policy on Registered Campus Organizations, Section 70.10.

ARTICLE V. FREQUENCY OF ORGANIZATION MEETINGS

Triton Tails - Furries at UC San Diego will hold events and meetings on a regular basis to ensure that our community remains engaged and connected. We aim to hold at least one event per week, which may include social events, educational workshops, community service projects, or other activities that align with our organization's mission.

While there is no requirement to attend our meetings, we encourage all members to participate in our events as much as possible in order to foster a sense of community and build lasting connections. In order to maintain active status, members are expected to attend at least one event per month or engage with the organization through our online channels.

We understand that many of our members may have busy schedules and cannot attend every meeting, which is why we will make an effort to provide a variety of events and activities at different times and locations to accommodate everyone.

ARTICLE VI. QUALIFICATIONS 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:

The student organization Triton Tails - Furries at UC San Diego shall have five head officers, including the President, Head of Finance, Head of Events Coordinator, Head of Social Media Manager, and Head of Outreach Coordinator. These officers shall be responsible for the management and direction of the organization.

Duties of Head Officers:

1. President: The President shall preside over all meetings of the organization, represent the organization to the larger community, and coordinate and lead specific events or initiatives.
2. Secretary: Responsible for taking meeting minutes, keeping records, and managing organizational correspondence.
3. Head of Finance: The Head of Finance shall manage the organization's finances, including fundraising, budgeting for events, and keeping financial records.
4. Head of Events Coordinator: The Head of Events Coordinator shall plan and coordinate events and activities for the organization, including outreach events, social events, and educational events.
5. Head of Social Media Manager: The Head of Social Media Manager shall manage the

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organization's social media presence, including creating content and managing online interactions with members and the wider community.

6. Head of Outreach Coordinator: The Head of Outreach Coordinator shall promote the organization and recruit new members, as well as coordinate collaborations with other organizations.

Election of Officers:

Current officers will look over applicants for positions that need to be filled and select active members who seem like the best fit. Interviews will be conducted and candidates will be selected. The president and head officers will serve until they are no longer associated with UCSD or step down. All other office members will be elected prior to starting the quarter for the school year and hold their office position until the following school year where they must submit another application to keep their position. Any active member is eligible to submit an officer application, however, applicants will be accepted on merit.

Assuming Positions:

Officers assume their positions during the Week 0 of fall quarter of the school year.

Removal of Officers:

An officer may be removed from their position by resignation, or in the case of removal for cause, by a unanimous agreement among the other Head officers. In the event of an officer's resignation, an emergency applicant submission will be opened to fill the vacancy. The organization may also remove any general member who fails to comply with the organization's rules or regulations, or engages in behavior that violates the organization's mission or values, as determined by a unanimous agreement among the Head officers. The general member will be given an opportunity to be heard before any decision on removal is made.

ARTICLE VII. RISK MANAGEMENT

Triton Tails - Furries at UC San Diego is a registered student organization at the University of California, San Diego, but not part of the University itself.

Triton Tails - Furries at UC San Diego understands that the University does not assume legal liability for the actions of the organization.

Triton Tails - Furries at UC San Diego is committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of all members and attendees at our events and meetings. As a furry community, we understand that there may be misconceptions and stereotypes about our community, and we are committed to promoting a safe and respectful environment for all.

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We will follow all industry and governmental safety standards and practices to mitigate risks and ensure that our events are safe and enjoyable for everyone. We will also work closely with the university and other organizations to ensure that we are in compliance with all relevant policies and regulations.

To ensure that our events are safe, we will implement the following risk management practices:

- All events will have a designated safety officer who will be responsible for ensuring that safety protocols are followed and responding to any emergencies.
- We will follow all relevant safety guidelines for the type of event or activity, such as fire safety, first aid, and crowd control.
- We will work with the university and other organizations to ensure that all necessary permits and licenses are obtained for events.
- We will provide clear instructions to attendees on safety procedures and emergency protocols.
- We will conduct regular safety audits and risk assessments to identify and mitigate potential risks.
- We will work closely with our national association and other furry organizations to share best practices and ensure that we are up to date on industry standards and practices.

Triton Tails - Furries at UC San Diego is committed to promoting a safe and inclusive environment for all members and attendees, and we take our responsibility to manage risk seriously. We encourage all members to report any safety concerns or incidents to our officers.