

## **ALPINE CLUB AT UC SAN DIEGO CONSTITUTION – 2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR**

### **ARTICLE I. NAME OF STUDENT ORGANIZATION**

The organization shall be called Alpine Club at UC San Diego.

### **ARTICLE II. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

To foster a community of people who share a passion for the great outdoors, where members learn to enjoy and respect the mountains, share gear and expertise, train together, socialize, find adventure partners and plan trips and outings for rock climbing, mountaineering, backcountry skiing, trail running, backpacking, ice climbing or any other activity in the hills.

### **ARTICLE III. NONPROFIT STATEMENT**

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

### **ARTICLE IV. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Everyone is eligible for membership. The Alpine Club does not discriminate in any shape or form on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, pregnancy,<sup>1</sup> physical or mental disability, medical condition (cancer related or genetic characteristics), ancestry, marital status, age, sexual orientation, citizenship, or service in the uniformed services.

In order to become a member one must sign the mandatory liability waiver and pay the annual \$45 fee or the quarterly \$20 fee.

### **ARTICLE V. FREQUENCY OF ORGANIZATION MEETINGS**

There is no required number of meetings each quarter or each year.

The club will meet weekly for a social event. Weekly training sessions will also be held but their number and frequency will vary. An updated list of meetings and events can be found on our website.

### **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.

The officer positions are limited to two club presidents who will be responsible to oversee all club matters, including but not limited to organizing and running club events, collecting waivers and fees from new members, overseeing the maintenance of the club's website and social media platforms and overseeing the lending of club's gear.

A new president will be elected when one of the current presidents resigns or in the circumstance where the majority of club members requests for a president to step down.

Any member of the club who has been a member for at least one year is eligible to become president. A new president is elected via a vote to which all club members can participate. The candidate with the most votes will become president effective immediately.

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**ARTICLE VII. RISK MANAGEMENT**

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

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

The activities that members of the Alpine Club will partake in, such as but not limited to rock climbing, mountaineering, backcountry skiing, trail running, backpacking and ice climbing involve risk of serious injury, permanent disability, and even death. For this reason all members of the Alpine Club must sign a Release of Liability & Indemnity Agreement in order to become a member and participate in club activities.

**ARTICLE IX. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

The Alpine Club will finance its activities using the funds collected from membership fees. The two presidents will be in charge of holding and managing the funds.