

STUDENT ENTREPRENEURSHIP NETWORK at UC San Diego

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ARTICLE I. NAME OF STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The organization shall be called STUDENT ENTREPRENEURS NETWORK at UC San Diego.

ARTICLE II. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The STUDENT ENTREPRENEURSHIP NETWORK at UC San Diego (“The Network” or “SEN”) aims to cultivate an interdisciplinary community of students passionate about entrepreneurship and innovation. The Network shall be an inclusive and welcoming environment for any student to learn about entrepreneurship and innovation. This organization will serve as a resource to support students’ entrepreneurial interests, support existing entrepreneurial programs, serve as a talent platform, and generate new opportunities to advance students’ entrepreneurial interests. SEN seeks to empower its members to create a lasting impact by supporting an entrepreneurial mindset and the generation of new ventures for the benefit of the UC San Diego community and society.

Members of SEN will benefit in several ways:

- Learning about entrepreneurship, venture capital, and business through workshops, guest speakers, and networking events.
- Partnering with existing Centers and directly managing some of those Centers’ programs.
- Gain early, and potentially exclusive access to select entrepreneurial programs.
- Secure Co-Curricular Record (CCR) recognition on transcripts with active involvement/fulfillment of CCR requirements.
- Developing their entrepreneurial skills and networking with like-minded individuals at UCSD and beyond.
- Connecting with local entrepreneurs, startups, and venture capitalists.
- Collaborating on projects and developing ideas into new venture opportunities.
- Access to resources such as funding, office space, and technology to help support student ventures.
- Gaining hands-on experience in starting and running a business.

SEN members are ambassadors among UCSD students who promote the availability, accessibility, and benefits of entrepreneurial training particularly for those who are new to campus, are unfamiliar with entrepreneurship, and who are underrepresented in entrepreneurship.

Guiding Principles

Principle of Inclusive Excellence: We commit to fostering an environment where every member feels valued, included, and empowered. We believe that the diversity of our members enriches our club and enhances our collective learning and growth. We will strive to ensure that our activities, events, and decisions reflect the diverse backgrounds, perspectives, and experiences of our members and community.

Principle of Equitable Opportunity: We pledge to provide equal opportunities for all members to participate, lead, and grow within our club. We will actively work to eliminate barriers that may prevent the full participation of any individual. This includes but is not limited to, barriers related to race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, disability, socioeconomic status, or any other characteristic protected under UC San Diego's non-discrimination policy.

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Principle of Respectful Collaboration: We commit to fostering a culture of respect, open communication, and collaboration. We believe that every member has unique insights and talents to contribute, and we will treat each other with kindness, dignity, and respect. We will actively seek and value diverse perspectives, and we will work together to make decisions that benefit our club and the broader UC San Diego community.

Principle of Entrepreneurial Innovation: We commit to nurturing a spirit of innovation, creativity, and entrepreneurship among our members. We believe that curiosity and ingenuity are the driving forces behind successful business ventures. We will provide opportunities for members to explore their entrepreneurial ideas, learn from failures, and celebrate successes. We aim to contribute to the growth of the San Diego entrepreneurial community by fostering collaborations, sharing resources, and promoting local startups. Our goal is to inspire and empower the next generation of business leaders (entrepreneurs, venture capitalists, and innovators) who will drive economic growth and social progress in our community and beyond.

ARTICLE III. NONPROFIT STATEMENT

The STUDENT ENTREPRENEUR'S NETWORK at UC San Diego is a non-profit student organization.

ARTICLE IV. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

To become a general member, the requirements include attending recruitment events, successfully completing a case study, and receiving an invitation to interview, after which they will be invited to participate in meetings, run for office, and generally engage in SEN and campus entrepreneurial activities. Dues will be \$10 every quarter to cover activity fees. Membership in the SEN is open to any student at the University of California, San Diego, consistent with the Nondiscrimination Policy Statement for University of California Publications regarding Student-Related Matters.

- UCOP: <https://policy.ucop.edu/doc/2710522/PACAOS-20>
- UC San Diego: https://ophd.ucsd.edu/policies-procedures/nps_student.html

ARTICLE IV. SECTION 1. HAZING PREVENTION

The Student Entrepreneur Network is committed to maintaining a safe, inclusive, and respectful environment for all its members and does not condone hazing. Hazing, in any form, is strictly prohibited within the organization in compliance with state and federal law, Regents' policies and University regulations. Participation in hazing or any intentional, knowing, or reckless act, activity, or method committed by a person (whether individually or in concert with other persons) against another person or persons, including current, former, or prospective students, regardless of the willingness of such other person or persons to participate, that is committed in the course of a preinitiation, an initiation into, an affiliation with, or the maintenance of membership in, an official or unofficial student organization or other student group that i. causes or creates a risk, above the reasonable risk encountered in the course of participation in the institution of higher education or the organization (such as the physical preparation necessary for participation in an athletic team), of physical or psychological injury, including personal degradation or disgrace, and/or ii. the person knew or should have known was likely to cause serious bodily injury. As an organization, we understand that failure to abide by hazing policies and laws will result in referral to the Center for Student Accountability, Growth, and Education (SAGE) for an organizational violation and/or individual violation(s).

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ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

A. Frequency and Location

- Regular meetings are to be held every month with the potential exception of June-September.
- Special meetings are to be held as needed.
- Elected officials may meet at additional times.

B. Quorum

- Two-thirds of the Officers must be present for official SEN decisions. Decisions are based on a majority vote of the full membership present via zoom or in-person.

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

Only registered UC San Diego students compliant with the requirements from the Center of Student Involvement may hold office in the organization. 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. Only members of the organization that have been active for at least one quarter may run for head positions. Only officers of the organization that have been active in duties for at least one quarter may run for president. Only registered UC San Diego students may vote in elections for the selection of the organization's officers.

Terms of Office and Transition Procedures

The committee will vote in elections for the next subsequent year in April of each year. Although the Advisor doesn't have the right to vote, the committee should confer with the Advisor prior to elections. Terms for elected positions are for one year.

Elected Officer Positions

- **President:** Responsible for the overview of events and overall management of the club, as well as primary communication with all advisors
- **Head of Marketing:** Responsible for scheduling social media posts on Instagram and LinkedIn, and proof-reading the newsletter before sending it out
- **Head of Content Creation:** Responsible for the creative execution of the marketing department
- **Head of Member Relations:** Responsible for maintaining the social health of the club, including planning socials
- **Head of Member Communications:** Responsible for being the main point of contact for all members and conducting recruitment for board positions
- **Head of Entrepreneurship Development:** Responsible for planning and executing professional development events for the public and members
- **Head of Entrepreneurship Outreach:** Responsible for creating and maintaining relationships with key industry contacts for events and workshop
- **Head of Finance:** Responsible for all funding needs ahead of schedule and event support planning

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ARTICLE VI. SECTION 1. REMOVAL PROCESS

Grounds for Removal

- Must comply with UCSD's non-discrimination policies.
- Allegations of student misconduct (e.g., harassment, discrimination, violence) shall not be handled internally and must be referred to:
 - Office for the Prevention of Harassment & Discrimination (OPHD): <https://ophd.ucsd.edu/report-bias/>
 - Student Accountability, Growth, and Education (SAGE): Report here

Notice

- The individual will receive written notice at least 7 days before the hearing, stating the reason(s) for potential removal and the date/time of the hearing.

Hearing

- Both the individual and the member(s) raising the concern may present their perspectives, evidence, and responses.
- The presiding officer (or next highest uninvolved officer) will ensure fairness.

Vote

- After the hearing, a vote will be taken.
- All active members in good standing may vote.
- A two-thirds (2/3) majority of those present is required for removal.

Decision

- The organization will provide written notice of the outcome within 48 hours.
- If removal is approved, it is effective immediately unless specified otherwise.

Consistency

- This process must be applied consistently to all members and officers. Due process will be upheld; Student Legal Services may be consulted for guidance.

VII. RISK MANAGEMENT

The STUDENT ENTREPRENEURSHIP NETWORK at UC San Diego is a registered student organization at the University of California, San Diego, but not part of the University itself.

The STUDENT ENTREPRENEURSHIP NETWORK at UC San Diego understands that the University does not assume legal liability for the organization's actions.

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ARTICLE IX. Advisor

Tim Schwartz, Executive Director of the Sullivan Center for Entrepreneurship.

ARTICLE X. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The STUDENT ENTREPRENEURSHIP NETWORK at UC San Diego will primarily fund events through sponsors and university funding (Associated Students, Parents Fund, grant money, department funds, college council funds, etc).

The STUDENT ENTREPRENEURSHIP NETWORK may receive sponsors from other outside firms if necessary, and the funding will be used for supporting Network activities. Allocation of funds will be voted upon by a majority vote of the Officers.

ARTICLE XI. Affiliation with Other Groups

The STUDENT ENTREPRENEURSHIP NETWORK will be affiliated only with the University of California, San Diego. The SEN will build partnerships with related student organizations such as HealthLink, the UC San Diego Tech Club, the Rady Venture Capital Club, Women in Business, the Tech Venture Club, Sigma Eta Pi Entrepreneurship Fraternity, CSES, etc.