

HELLENIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION AT UC SAN DIEGO – 2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

ARTICLE I. NAME OF ORGANIZATION

The organization shall be called Hellenic Student Association at UC San Diego.

ARTICLE II. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Hellenic Student Association at UC San Diego is focused on fostering a welcoming environment for international students from Greece and Cyprus, while also promoting Greek culture and traditions. We aim to celebrate Greek culture and educate anyone interested through social activities and events. Our main goal is to be a place where students can go to, to learn about Greek culture, Greek language, and stay connected with their Greek roots.

ARTICLE III. NONPROFIT STATEMENT

The Hellenic Student Association at UC San Diego is a non-profit student organization.

ARTICLE IV. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Membership for the Hellenic Student Association is open to all registered UC San Diego students interested in participating in cultural events and social activities rooted in educating students about Greek Culture and Tradition. There will be a \$10 minimum membership fee per quarter, that will cover the expenses for such events. Membership shall not be restricted based on nationality, race, gender, or any other discriminating factors, consistent with the UC San Diego Nondiscrimination Policy.

ARTICLE IV. SECTION 1. HAZING PREVENTION

The Hellenic Student Association at UC San Diego 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

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the Center for Student Accountability, Growth, and Education (SAGE) for an organizational violation and/or individual violation(s).

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

The Hellenic Student Association at UC San Diego will hold general meetings once per week during the academic quarter. Minutes will be kept during these meetings to record all plans for events and decisions. Additional events, such as social events will be held throughout the quarter as needed.

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. Officer Positions will include: President, Vice President Operations, Vice President Administration, Vice President External Affairs, Finance Director, and Creative Director. Officers will serve for one academic year, starting in the Fall Quarter.

ARTICLE VI. SECTION 1. REMOVAL PROCESS

An officer may be asked to leave their position if they do not fulfill their duties as an officer, if they do not attend executive board meetings and acting in a manner that does not align with UC San Diego's Nondiscrimination Policies. The officer will be notified by written notice of the reason for potential removal and be asked to attend a hearing. The hearing will be conducted by the Vice President Operations after which four members one from each class (freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior) will vote. Then written notice will be sent to the individual of the decision made. A new individual will be selected by this committee. The same applies for the president, with the exception that the whole executive board will have to approve the appointment as well. For members the same applies but reasons for removal from the organization can include complaints and concerns brought up by other members.

ARTICLE VII. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Hellenic Student Association at UC San Diego is a registered student organization at the University of California, San Diego, but not part of the University itself. The Hellenic Student Association at UC San Diego understands that the University does not assume legal liability for the actions of the organization.

ARTICLE IX. COMMUNITY MENTOR

The Hellenic Student Association at UC San Diego will obtain a community mentor from UC San Diego's Faculty. Their purpose will be to provide guidance in regards to planning events and provide support when needing to use the University's resources. The mentor

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will be selected by the officers and will be given the choice of whether they would like to hold the position yearly.

ARTICLE X. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The Hellenic Student Association at UC San Diego will finance activities and events through fundraisers and sponsorships. Money raised will be used for the betterment of the club and for the benefit of the members. The Finance Director will be responsible for managing the organization's finances and all spending must be approved by the President and the Vice President Operations. The club does not maintain an off-campus bank account.

ARTICLE XI. AFFILIATION WITH OTHER GROUPS

The Hellenic Student Association at UC San Diego is not formally affiliated with any external organizations. If the club decides to affiliate with any local, state, national, or international groups, this will be put to a vote and later added to the constitution.