

Salsa Society's Student Organization Constitution

I. Name of the Organization: Salsa Society

Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/SalsaSocietyUCSD/>

II. Purpose: To provide a fun and safe learning environment in learning how to dance Salsa and Bachata through regular weekly meetings and quarterly socials. Lessons will not be based on random combinations but rather on a curriculum that can easily allow any new or experienced dancer to become proficient and comfortable on the social dance floor.

III Nonprofit Statement: Salsa Society at UCSD is a non-profit student organization.

IV. Requirements for membership: Membership shall be comprised of predominantly undergraduate and graduate UCSD students. Members are required to attend at least one meeting per quarter and be a part of the Facebook group page. Membership dues will be discussed during our sessions. They are encouraged but not required.

V. Frequency of meetings: The organization will hold regular meetings every Sunday and at least three socials every quarter.

VI. Qualifications for holding and methods of selecting and replacing officers: Only registered UCSD students may hold office in the organization. Only registered UCSD students may vote in elections for the selection of the organization's officers.

1. President: Responsible for facilitating meetings, managing required paperwork, reserving rooms, planning socials, and directing the organization's operations.

2. Vice President: Responsible for helping with lessons and maintaining smooth operation of the organization by assisting the other officers.

3. Public Relations: Responsible for recruiting and maintaining the Facebook page. Recruitment operations may include flyering, e-mailing, and the use of social media to recruit potential members.

4. Registration: Responsible for checking in students to every general body meeting.

5. Social Media Coordinator: In charge of any forms of media and making sure all social media is up to date.

*Official election of new officers shall be held at the end of the academic year (Spring quarter) for the upcoming year. Members interested in being an officer have to be appointed by a previous officer in order to be considered for a position. A meeting with the current officers and the interested member will then be held to consider officially appointing them as an officer based on their position qualifications.

VII. Risk Management: Salsa Society at UCSD is a registered student organization at University of California, San Diego, but not part of the University itself. Salsa Society at UCSD understands that the University does not assume legal liability for the actions of the organization. Risks with Salsa dancing may include sprains or bruises. To ensure a safe environment, stretches will be performed at the start of meetings and proper dance technique will be taught and emphasized to highly reduce the risks associated with dancing. Participants shall never be forced to go beyond their physical limits.

VII Section 1: Salsa Society is currently not involved in providing any kind of medical assistance. If, in the event there is a need of medical assistance, a present board member will dial 9-1-1.

VII Section 2: In the event that Salsa Society at UCSD provides medical assistance to a community, all volunteers will work under the direction of licensed professionals (doctors, nurses, counselors, etc.). The University does not recommend that students provide medical assistance.

VII Section 3: Salsa Society at UCSD recognizes that the University generally recommends against all international travel by Student Organizations due to the myriad of risks travelers face in foreign countries. Student organizations are discouraged from traveling to foreign countries due to the wide variety of risks involved with foreign travel, and the extensive planning efforts required by the Student Organization's Members to manage those risks. Security risks and health care services vary widely from one country to another, so thorough research on those topics is especially important.

International travelers are advised to research US State Department Travel Advisories and the CDC Travel Health site and abide by all recommended alerts and warnings, and procure travel insurance with medical coverage that covers their chosen destination because most USA Health Plans are not valid in foreign countries.

VII Section 4: Salsa Society at UCSD recognizes that all student organization activities must be conducted safely, in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws. Additionally, Salsa Society at UCSD will abide by UC San Diego requirements for students in labs, including policies for minors in UC laboratories, and ensure members receive safety training regarding the use of chemicals and/or machinery before entering the lab. Members must follow any best practices and lab safety protocols for the use of such chemicals, research equipment or machinery, including the appropriate use of Personal Protective Equipment, and should work under close supervision of those trained in the handling of chemicals/use of research equipment or machinery.

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