

ARTICLE I. ECOLOGY, BEHAVIOR & EVOLUTION CLUB

The organization shall be called Ecology, Behavior & Evolution Club at UCSD.

ARTICLE II. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The goal of the Ecology, Behavior & Evolution Club at UCSD is to build a community of students interested in ecology, behavior & evolution (EBE), and share relevant opportunities. We seek to provide students with research opportunities, internship guidance, and information regarding careers in EBE. The group also serves as a social nexus for students with EBE interests, and provides an organizational structure to promote volunteer activities.

ARTICLE III. NONPROFIT STATEMENT

Ecology, Behavior & Evolution Club at UCSD is a non-profit student organization.

ARTICLE IV. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Any UCSD student in good standing is eligible to become a member. Members can sign up at any time, simply by attending a meeting and providing their name and contact information. There are no dues for this organization. A member is considered an active member if they have attended two of the last three club meetings.

ARTICLE V. FREQUENCY OF ORGANIZATION MEETINGS

We meet the first Monday of every month at 5 PM during the academic year. Additional events will take place as planned each quarter, often on weekends.

ARTICLE VI. QUALIFICATIONS FOR HOLDING OFFICE 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.

There are six officers. Titles and role descriptions are below.

- 1) President: Direct the club with goals and focus for each quarter, organize and run board meetings, create events and general body meeting agendas in line with those goals
- 2) Vice President: Assist president, act as president in president's absence (i.e. while studying abroad)
- 3) Secretary: Keep the club organized by taking detailed notes for all board meetings, general body meetings, registration processes, member task lists, etc.
- 4) Event Planner: Plan meeting and event logistics, serve as point of contact for events involving other groups on or off campus
- 5) Public Relations: Manage outreach, including updating the group's website by sharing new events and pictures from previous events, network with other organizations on campus to expand club impact
- 6) ISC Advocate: Be the point of contact for the Inter-Sustainability Council (ISC), attend ISC meetings and events as a representative of the Ecology, Behavior & Evolution Club

Shared responsibilities include thinking of and fleshing out new ideas and events for the club,

being active members of the EBE community on campus, and applying for club funding as necessary.

Principal members will be elected during the last meeting of spring quarter in each year, prior to the year in which they will serve. Terms last one academic year, starting in the summer after they are elected and ending at the conclusion of spring quarter. Only active members are allowed to run and vote. Elections will consist of all candidates having two minutes to present their experiences and ideas and one minute of questioning from the audience. Candidates will leave the room for voting. Remaining active members will vote on the candidates for each position. Runoff elections will be held until a candidate has a majority vote.

ARTICLE VII. RISK MANAGEMENT

Ecology, Behavior & Evolution Club at UCSD is a registered student organization at University of California, San Diego, but not part of the University itself.

Ecology, Behavior & Evolution Club at UCSD understands that the University does not assume legal liability for the actions of the organization.

There is minimal risk associated with the club's events. If we go on a nature walk or hike, at least one principal member on the trip will have a stocked first aid kit and relevant first aid knowledge (how to treat minor cuts and scratches, bug bites, blisters and sunburn). If we hold an event with an off-campus group, such as whale watching or volunteering at a nature reserve, members will be educated of the risks and sign waivers for the groups we are working with.

ARTICLE VIII. COMMUNITY ADVISOR

Ecology, Behavior and Evolution Club at UCSD is required to have a community advisor since it is an academic organization. A community advisor will be selected and asked to join with approval of all principal members of the club. The community advisor is a faculty member of the Ecology, Behavior and Evolution section of the Biology Department. Their role is to be a community advisor on record, and to help direct the club as needed. They will serve for one term (one academic year, starting fall quarter), with the option of serving multiple terms.

ARTICLE IX. AFFILIATION WITH OTHER GROUPS

Ecology, Behavior and Evolution Club at UCSD is the local chapter for Strategies for Ecological Education, Diversity and Sustainability (SEEDS). SEEDS is a national network of student groups founded by the Ecological Society of America. A primary goal of SEEDS is to increase participation by under-represented groups in ecology.

As a SEEDS chapter, the organization must submit an annual report of chapter activities, see: www.esa.org/seeds/chapters/yearly-chapter-report/

UCSD SEEDS/EBE Club students can apply for numerous travel and research opportunities, see: www.esa.org/seeds