

The Ohio State University College of Medicine Running Club

Constitution

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Article I - Name, Purpose, and Non-Discrimination Policy

Section I - Name

The Ohio State University College of Medicine Running Club (OSUCOMRC)

Section II - Purpose

The Ohio State University College of Medicine Running Club (OSUCOMRC) aims to provide medical students and faculty at the Ohio State University College of Medicine the opportunity to engage and network with each other through supportive, fun, and collaborative group runs around various neighborhoods in the Columbus area while emphasizing the importance of maintaining an active lifestyle despite the schedule demands a career in medicine entails.

Section III - Non-Discrimination Policy

This organization does not discriminate on the basis of age, ancestry, color, disability, gender identity or expression, genetic information, HIV/AIDS status, military status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, protected veteran status, or any other bases under the law, in its activities, programs, admission, and employment.

As a student organization at The Ohio State University, The Ohio State University College of Medicine Running Club expects its members to conduct themselves in a manner that maintains an environment free from sexual misconduct. All members are responsible for adhering to University Policy 1.15, which can be found here: <https://hr.osu.edu/public/documents/policy/policy115.pdf>.

If you or someone you know has been sexually harassed or assaulted, you may find the appropriate resources at <http://titleIX.osu.edu> or by contacting the Ohio State Title IX Coordinator at titleIX@osu.edu.

Article II - Membership

II.a. As required by the Guidelines for Student Organizations, 90% of the membership of a student organization must include current Ohio State University students. Active members and Executive Committee are able to make decisions regarding the membership of community and other non-student members of an organization. Community or other non-student members may be temporarily suspended with a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

Anyone in the College of Medicine is allowed to join the club, and there will be no dues or minimum meeting requirements for members. Members will have access to all of the materials sent out in our newsletters, and will be allowed to participate in all of our events

Article III - Methods for Removing Members and Executive Officers

III.a. If a member engages in behavior that is detrimental to advancing the purpose of this organization, violates the organization's constitution or by-laws, or violates the Code of Student Conduct, university policy, or federal, state or local law, the member may be removed through a majority vote of the officers in consultation with the organization's advisor.

III.b. Any elected officer of the chapter may be removed from their position for cause. Cause for removal includes, but is not limited to: violation of the constitution or by-laws, failure to perform duties, or any behavior that is detrimental to advancing the purpose of this organization, including violations of the Student Code of Conduct, university policy, or federal, state, or local laws. The Executive Committee may act for removal upon a two-thirds affirmative vote of the executive board in consultation with the organization's advisor.

III.c. In the event that the reason for member removal is protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) or cannot otherwise be shared with members (e.g., while an investigation is pending), the executive board, in consultation with the organization's advisor, may vote to temporarily suspend a member or executive officer.

Article IV - Organization Leadership

IV.a. Co-Directors - Will be chosen by the current Executive Board annually. Duties include presiding over all organized meetings, keeping up with the organization's registration and renewal process, registering new members, and helping create newsletters and organizing events for club members.

IV.b. Treasurer - Will be chosen by the current Executive Board annually. Duties include handling finances out of the organization and seeking out funding for events.

IV.c. Advisor - Will be chosen by the current Executive Board annually. Will oversee the club and ensure that things are running smoothly.

IV.d. Social Chair - Will be chosen by the current Executive Board annually. Will manage social media and plan social events. Will manage any email lists and club rosters

IV.e. Community Outreach/Fundraising Chair - Will be chosen by the current Executive Board annually.. Will lead all partnerships with outside organizations and service initiatives. Will promote club's community engagement, development of meaningful relationships with diverse bodied backgrounds, and boost our monetary contributions to programs that we deeply care to provide funding toward.

IV.f Event Coordinator - Will be chosen by the current Executive Board annually. Duties include coordinating with administration and the community, organizing event logistics, and working closely with the treasurer to determine event funding.

IV.g. Vacancies in leadership shall be filled as soon as possible by a special election under the same terms of normal elections.

Article V - Election

A new executive board will be chosen by the current executive board and advisor every spring, starting spring of 2024. The election process will include an application that is reviewed by the current executive board. Any medical student that will still be in school for the entire year of their term is eligible to apply. If someone resigns during their term, the rest of the executive board and advisor.

Article VI - Executive Committee

The executive committee will consist of the advisor, primary leader, secondary leader, treasurer, social chair, community outreach chair, and event coordinator only, until the need for more people is required.

Article VII - Advisor

The role of the advisor is to oversee the club and ensure that the executive committee is providing members with a safe and fun experience. The advisor can be involved as much or as little as they like in club activities.

Article VIII - Meetings

There will be no minimal meeting or event attendance requirements.

Article IX - Attendees of Events

The organization reserves the right to address member or event attendee behavior where the member or event attendee's behavior is disruptive or otherwise not in alignment with the organization's constitution.

Article X - Method of Amending Constitution

If an amendment shall be needed, it must have approval by the advisor and 2/3 of the executive board.

By-Laws

Article I - Officers & Duties

The rules contained in the constitution shall govern the organization in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the by-laws of this organization.

Article II - Membership

Any student at the College of Medicine may become a member at any time, and the club will be free to all members. Termination of membership will only occur if a member violates rules/expectations found in the Constitution or in these By-Laws

Article III - Election

A new executive board will be chosen annually in the spring (starting in spring of 2024) by the current executive board and advisor. Any medical student is able to apply, as long as they will be enrolled in the college for the entirety of their term. The same process will be followed if someone resigns during their term.

Article IV - Executive Committee

The executive committee will consist of the Advisor, Primary Leader, Secondary Leader, and Treasurer. They will all share roles and work as “Co-Chairs”. These duties include keeping up with the organization’s registration and renewal process, registering new members, and helping create newsletters and organizing events for club members

Article V - Advisor Responsibilities

The advisor will be expected to oversee the club and the executive committee to ensure that all members feel safe and have positive experiences at club events. The advisor can be as involved as they want to be.

Article VI - Meeting requirements

There will be no minimum requirement for members for meetings or club events.

Article VII - Amending By-Laws

By-laws can be amended as seen fit by the club advisor and executive committee. Amendments will require a 2/3rds vote by the executive committee and advisor approval.