

Design For 90

Student Organization Constitution

ARTICLE I. NAME OF ORGANIZATION

Design for 90

ARTICLE II. ORGANIZATION PURPOSE

Design for 90 will aim to provide an inclusive practical learning community where all its members can use and develop their skills acquired in the classroom to serve typically underserved populations in the Central Ohio region and beyond.

ARTICLE III. UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS

Section A. Harassment and Discrimination, including Sexual Misconduct

Design For 90 agrees that it will not engage in sexual misconduct nor any harassment or discrimination 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 basis in accordance with the Student Organization Registration Guidelines.

Section B. Hazing

Design For 90 agrees to maintain a zero-tolerance policy for hazing, in compliance with Ohio State University and Collin's Law. All members must conduct themselves in a manner that supports an environment free from hazing. Hazing includes any activity, regardless of consent, that causes or creates a substantial risk of physical, mental, or emotional harm or humiliation to any individual as part of membership or affiliation with the student organization. If found responsible for hazing, members and/or the organization may face disciplinary actions.

Section C. Bylaws

Design for 90 retains the right to maintain separate bylaws to outline the day-to-day operations of the organization and to clarify policies and procedures otherwise not included in the previous articles. Bylaws and/or other guiding documents may not take precedence over the requirements set forth by local, state, and federal laws, The Ohio State University's regulations, policies, and procedures, and the Council on Student Affairs (CSA) Student Organization Registration Guidelines. Organizations may make amendments and changes to the bylaws without consulting the Ohio Union & Student Activities department, and changes to bylaws do not require approval. All elements of organizational bylaws shall be consistent with the organization's currently approved constitution on file and CSA constitution requirements.

ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP

Section A. Membership Eligibility

Any student currently enrolled at The Ohio State University is eligible to apply to be a member of Design for 90.

Section B. Member Selection

To be considered an active member of Design for 90 students must attend one club meeting per month. Students who attend less than one meeting per month but are still in the club GroupMe or Mailing list will be considered inactive members.

Section C. Membership Timeline

No application to this organization is needed. Members may join at the start of the autumn or spring semester, or join on a rolling basis.

Section D. Member Removal

A member who conducts themselves in a manner deemed detrimental to advancing the purpose of the organization or is in violation of the OSU Student Code of Conduct, can be removed through a majority vote of the member body or through a unanimous vote of the executive board, with the consultation of the advisor. The type of vote will be decided by the executive board.

ARTICLE V. ADVISOR

Section A. Advisor Duties and Responsibilities

Providing technical and logistical advice to individual project managers and projects. Connecting Design for 90 with resources within the Ohio State University and beyond. Being a representative of Design for 90 along with the President to the university and the public. Completing such trainings as The Ohio State University requires for student organization advisors in good standing, and shall comply with such requirements as the Ohio State University imposes on similarly situated student organizations and their officers.

Section B. Advisor Term

Advisor term will be one year long. Renewal will be discussed with the President at the start of each academic year. The advisor may have infinite consecutive terms as long as they remain eligible under Article V Section C.

Section C. Advisor Selection

The Advisor must be a full-time member of the University faculty or Administrative or Professional staff. Multiple co-advisors may also be a part of Design for 90. In addition to being University faculty or Administrative or Professional staff, Co-Advisors can also be graduate students. The advisor will be voted on by the executive board and confirmed by the president at the start of each academic year. Voting requires a 2/3 majority of the executive to be reached.

Section D. Advisor Replacement

If the advisor wishes to leave their role, they will give the President a one semester notice to provide adequate time to find an eligible individual to fill the role. The executive board will vote on the new advisor with a 2/3 majority vote.

If the executive board wishes to replace the advisor mid-term, a unanimous vote must be made by the executive board. They will then vote in a new advisor according to Article V Section C.

ARTICLE VI. ORGANIZATION LEADERSHIP

Section A. Officer Positions

The organization's executive board shall have a president, vice president, and treasurer. The president may also appoint chair persons and project leads who will also be considered a part of the executive board. At the time of appointment the president will define the duties of the chair person or project lead.

The president shall serve as a leader of the club. The president will plan and lead general body meetings. The president will act as a good representative of Design for 90 to others inside and outside and the University. The president shall oversee all project groups. The president may assign additional responsibilities to executive board members as necessary.

The vice president shall assist in all responsibilities of the president.

The treasurer will keep financial records and administer club funds.

Section B. Officer Eligibility

These leaders shall be experienced members of Design for 90 with experience defined as being associated with the organization for a minimum of a one-year time period with the exception of Project Leaders who require a one semester time period. In accordance with the rules of the Office of Student Affairs, all officers must be enrolled for the semester within the current academic year, meet minimum GPA requirements as determined by the Office of Student Affairs, and not be on academic or disciplinary probation or suspension.

Section C. Officer Selection Process

The President shall be elected by a majority vote of the student members of Design for 90. This includes members on the executive board. Project Leaders will be appointed by the newly elected President and the outgoing executive board. Project Managers and the Treasurer shall be appointed by the newly elected President and the incoming Project Leaders. Advisors will be appointed by executive board.

Section D. Officer Removal

Prior to the vote on the matter of removal of an elected or appointed officer, the officer shall have the opportunity to personally appear at the formal hearing. The officer shall have the opportunity to personally appear at the formal hearing or be represented by council. The officer may present any defense to the charges before any action is taken. The officer in question is entitled to notice, at least one week prior to the meeting at which the removal vote may be taken, that members or other officers are planning to move for a removal vote. An officer may only be removed by a two-thirds majority vote of the members of Design for 90 present at a meeting, prior to which the entire membership of the organization has been given at least one week's advance notice by email or other appropriate medium, not only of the meeting, but of the anticipated removal vote.

ARTICLE VII. ORGANIZATION DISSOLUTION

Section A. Dissolution Requirements

Design for 90 may be dissolved upon majority vote of executive board and advisor approval, or failure to meet minimum number of students required to stay a student organization.

Section B. Dissolution Procedures, including Assets and Debts

If Design for 90 ceases to be an organization, all remaining funds will be used to settle club debts. Assets may also be sold to settle remaining club debts. Any funds left over after club debts are settled shall be returned to the Ohio State University. Money that was raised by the student organization or won through grants or obtained from external sources shall be used to support the College of Engineering or a suitable non-profit organization decided by the executive board. Any remaining assets will be donated to the College of Engineering to be used for educational purposes.

ARTICLE VIII. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Section A. Amendment Process

Proposal and Adoption: Amendments to this constitution may be proposed in writing by any member of Design for 90 and shall be adopted by a two-thirds vote of active members of Design for 90 present at the meeting. Amendments must be disseminated at least one week prior to the vote. Any meeting in which amendments will be voted upon must be announced no later than one week prior to the amendment meeting.