

Buckeye Vertical

Student Organization Constitution

ARTICLE I. NAME OF ORGANIZATION

The Name Of The Organization Will Be Known As "Buckeye Vertical"

ARTICLE II. ORGANIZATION PURPOSE

The purpose of the organization is as follows:

1. To give undergraduate and graduate students the ability to explore Urban Air Mobility (UAM) and Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) through professional development opportunities and project-based competitions.
2. To foster an inclusive, safe, and diverse group of students that will strive to support and create a platform of academic enrichment for all members involved.
3. To engage the student community and increase awareness of Urban Air Mobility (UAM) and Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) by creating professional development opportunities, technical lecture series events with guest speakers, and promoting academic and social events to further support understanding of the rapidly growing field

ARTICLE III. UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS

Section A. Harassment and Discrimination, including Sexual Misconduct

Buckeye Vertical *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

Buckeye Vertical *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

Buckeye Vertical *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

As required by Guidelines for Student Organizations, 90% of the membership of a student organization must include current Ohio State University student. Any person who is a registered student at The Ohio State University, regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, or religion, and discipline of study are welcome to be a member of Buckeye Vertical. All members of the chapter are subject to the Constitution and Bylaws of Buckeye Vertical.

Section B. Member Selection

To be considered a member of Buckeye Vertical, there are two formal steps eligible members must take. First, the eligible member must join the Buckeye Vertical main communication channel. Second, the eligible member must attend 50% of all required meetings per semester from their start date.

Section C. Membership Timeline

Eligible members are free to join the club at any time throughout the academic calendar.

Section D. Member Removal

Members may be removed from the team if 2/3 officers and the faculty advisor deem their presence detrimental to the function of the team. Additionally, if attendance drops below 50% for the semester, their member status is removed. They may regain this status if attendance is above 50% for the following semester.

ARTICLE V. ADVISOR

Section A. Advisor Duties and Responsibilities

The advisor serves as the group's liaison with the university and provides guidance when requested by the members of the group.

Section B. Advisor Term

The advisor has no defined term limit. They can hold their position for however long they want.

Section C. Advisor Selection

Advisor of student organization must be members of the University faculty or Administrative & Professional staff. Current officers will select the advisors and have a vote on various candidates they deem fit for the role. Officers must unanimously agree on the candidate to be instated as the advisor.

Section D. Advisor Replacement

Advisors will only be replaced if they are deemed by the officers to not be upholding the duties assigned to them. Officers will then select viable alternative advisors and go through the selection process for the new advisors.

ARTICLE VI. ORGANIZATION LEADERSHIP

Section A. Officer Positions

There are 3 officers for the club: President, Vice President, Treasurer. Below are each of their description:

1. President: Serves as administrative head and is responsible for overall team function and organizational structure. Selection will be by majority vote at the end of the academic year after the first two years of Buckeye Vertical's existence. The President can appoint additional officers and positions as deemed appropriate.
2. Vice President: Assists the President with duties and fills in when the President is not available.
3. Treasurer: Responsible for handling all monetary transactions of the team and works with the officer team on any necessary administrative tasks.

Section B. Officer Eligibility

To run for an officer position, one must be an active member of the club and have participated for at least one full year in club activities.

Section C. Officer Selection Process

The organization shall hold a yearly election at the end of April and hold a vote to elect leadership. Only active members can vote. The new officer must receive a plurality of the votes to be selected.

Section D. Officer Removal

Officers may be removed from the team if 2/3 officers and the faculty advisor deem their presence detrimental to the function of the team.

ARTICLE VII. ORGANIZATION DISSOLUTION

Section A. Dissolution Requirements

The organization shall be disbanded if membership drops to less than 3 people.

Section B. Dissolution Procedures, including Assets and Debts

In the case of dissolution, the organization will first cover all debts with any remaining assets the organization has. Any debts not covered by the assets will then be covered in the following ways:

1. Advisor and remaining officers will attempt to raise funds through fundraiser(s) to close account
2. Advisor will utilize funding from their discretionary funding to cover rest of Buckeye Vertical debt
3. If first two options are no longer possible or do not cover all of debt, remaining officers will work with Ohio State University's MAE Finance department to determine additional avenues to cover debt

In the case there are any additional assets, the organization's assets will be distributed to other organizations or the university in a manner seen fit by the advisor.

ARTICLE VIII. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Section A. Amendment Process

Proposed amendments should be submitted to the executives in writing. They will be sent to the entire group and voted upon at the final meeting of the year. Approval requires a 2/3 affirmative vote where at least 50%+1 of the members are present.