

ARTICLE I. NAME OF STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The organization shall be called Green New Deal at UCSD.

ARTICLE II. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Whereas we have had 1 degree C of global heating since pre-industrial times, and whereas we are on track to possibly have 1.5 degree C by 2030,

Whereas the heating we have had is producing a widespread increase in the frequency and intensity of extreme weather events, and whereas a ½ degree increase will likely correspond to at least a 50% intensification overall (in some places it will be much greater)

Whereas UC has declared a climate emergency and also since 2015 specified “carbon neutral” goals for each campus,

Whereas UCSD is not meeting its “carbon neutral” goals, nor informing its students at scale about the biggest problem humanity has ever faced,

Whereas the US government is not acting, whereas no government anywhere is acting at a level consistent with the threat,

Whereas our theory of change is that before we expect political action from on high we must see a widespread grassroots movement to make people aware, and to engage them in collective action, at the family, network, school, university, institutional, city and state level,

Let it be resolved that we hereby form the Green New Deal at UCSD. This is a coalition of students, staff, postdocs, research scientists and faculty. The movement has 3 goals:

- 1. Convince UC San Diego to teach to entire undergraduate student body about the climate crisis and climate justice*
- 2. Persuade UC San Diego to specify and meet their decarbonization goals by 2025*
- 3. Help build a UC system-wide GND movement*

The group will organize participants into projects aimed at inducing the UCSD administration towards fully decarbonizing the campus (e.g. by shifting to renewable energy sources, increasing alternative transportation) and by encouraging the administration and faculty to teach about the climate crisis to the whole student body. The group will also work towards expanding these actions to a UC-wide movement.

ARTICLE III. NONPROFIT STATEMENT*

Green New Deal at UCSD is a non-profit student organization.

ARTICLE IV. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP*

There are no membership requirements or restrictions. Anyone who decides to attend our meetings is free to do so.

ARTICLE V. FREQUENCY OF ORGANIZATION MEETINGS*

The broader organization will meet on the First Friday of every month, at the least. The steering committee will meet biweekly. Minutes will be taken at steering committee meetings.

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. However, there are no officers within the organization; the Green New Deal at UCSD is a democratic non-hierarchical organization, where the only coordinating body is the steering committee. Anyone from inside the larger group who is willing to commit to the level of organizational work required of a steering committee member is welcome to join (this entails biweekly meetings, organizing first Friday meetings, leading a particular project) .

ARTICLE VII. RISK MANAGEMENT*

GND does not foresee any risk posed by involvement in the organization.

Green New Deal at UCSD is a registered student organization at the University of California, San Diego, but not part of the University itself. Green New Deal at UCSD understands that the University does not assume legal liability for the actions of the organization.

Peaceful action declaration:

The Green New Deal at UCSD is a peaceful group that aims to convince the administration to act on the climate crisis at UCSD by bringing in more teaching and meeting its stated decarbonization goals . Our group is strictly dedicated to non-violent action. We consider any attempt at or instigation of violent behavior as antithetical to our group's goals and we will exclude any individuals who engage in such behavior from our organization.

ARTICLE VIII. COMMUNITY ADVISOR

Professor Adam Aron of the UCSD Psychology and Neuroscience Graduate Program is our faculty mentor.

ARTICLE IX. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The organization is planning to raise gift funds through the University's online giving portal, and managed by the Psychology Department, the host department of the organization's faculty mentor, for which the Chair has given his support

ARTICLE X. AFFILIATION WITH OTHER GROUPS

GND at UCSD plans on becoming involved with other groups on campus with whom we share aims and goals related to the climate crisis, such as social justice groups. The only anticipated external affiliation is with SD350 org, a climate activist organization in San Diego. This affiliation means that we will be guided and supported by the expertise of SD350 for educational training. These interactions will be sporadic and not foundational for our group.