

Pakistani Student Association at UCSD Constitution

2021-2022 Academic Year

ARTICLE I. NAME OF STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The organization shall be called Pakistani Student Association (PSA) at UCSD.

ARTICLE II. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this cultural student association is to create a community of those interested in learning and celebrating Pakistani culture, to further the knowledge of interested persons of the history of Pakistan, in the process learn about issues pertinent to the Pakistani community back home and American Pakistanis, and to serve all UCSD and other University Students, faculty and staff in achieving the above stated goals. The Pakistani Student Association will also serve as a resource for International Pakistani students, and American Pakistani students in order to provide a home and cultural environment. PSA will establish connections between students from all cultural backgrounds, facilitating multiculturalism and cultural exchange at UCSD.

ARTICLE III. NONPROFIT STATEMENT

Pakistani Student Association at UCSD is a non-profit student organization.

ARTICLE IV. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

No dues or fees are currently required for membership of this organization. Membership is open to all students and will comply with federal laws prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, sex, disability, age, sexual orientation, or political and religious affiliations. Compliance with these laws means that membership, benefits, and the election of officers will not be made on the basis of these factors.

ARTICLE V. FREQUENCY OF ORGANIZATION MEETINGS

Officers will meet weekly or as needed to coordinate organizational activity, at which meeting minutes will be taken. There will be at least one official General Body Meeting per quarter at which meeting minutes will be taken. While incentives may be provided for attendance at meetings, social events and fundraisers, there will not be a required number of attended events.

ARTICLE VI. QUALIFICATIONS FOR HOLDING OFFICE AND METHODS OF SELECTING AND REPLACING OFFICERS

Only registered UCSD students may hold office in this organization. Only registered UCSD students may vote in elections for the selection of the organization's officers. There are six officer positions. There will be an Executive Council of three officers including:

1. President
2. Vice President Internal
3. Vice President External
4. Finance Chair
5. Marketing Chair
6. Event coordinator (three positions)

Officers assume their positions at the beginning of the new academic year. Officers are removed and/or replaced by unanimous vote of the Executive Council.

ARTICLE VII. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Pakistani Student Association at UCSD is a registered student organization at the University of California, San Diego, but not part of the University itself. The Pakistani Student Association at UCSD understands that the University does not assume legal liability for the actions of the organization.

SECTION 1. IN CASE OF INTERACTION WITH MINORS AND/OR THE ELDERLY

Pakistani Student Association at UCSD is aware that all registered student organizations that serve minors or the elderly have access to training on child and elder abuse prevention for its members via the Center for Student Involvement, online or in person (in person by request only). Pakistani Student Association will develop plan(s) for activities and events where members will be interacting with minors or the elderly such that members will receive education and/or training on Child Abuse Neglect Reporting Act (CANRA), common sense measures to both avoid child or elder abuse allegations (i.e. avoiding one-on-one situations; working with minors in plain view of others; limiting calls/texts/social media posts or other communications with minors), and how to properly report potential harm or neglect to minors or the elderly with whom they are working.

SECTION 2. IN CASE OF THE PROVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

In the event that the Pakistani Student Association at UCSD provides medical assistance to a community, all volunteers will work under the direction of licensed professionals (doctors, nurses, counselors, etc.). The University does not recommend that students provide medical assistance.

SECTION 3. IN CASE OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

The Pakistani Student Association at UCSD recognizes that the University generally recommends against all international travel by Student Organizations due to the myriad of risks travelers face in foreign countries. Student organizations are discouraged from traveling to foreign countries due to the wide variety of risks involved with foreign travel, and the extensive

planning efforts required by the Student Organization's Members to manage those risks. Security risks and health care services vary widely from one country to another, so thorough research on those topics is especially important. International travelers are advised to research US State Department Travel Advisories and the CDC Travel Health site and abide by all recommended alerts and warnings, and procure travel insurance with medical coverage that covers their chosen destination because most USA Health Plans are not valid in foreign countries.

SECTION 4. IN CASE OF HANDLING OF HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS, MATERIAL, EQUIPMENT, AND/OR MACHINERY

The Pakistani Student Association at UCSD recognizes that all student organization activities must be conducted safely, in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws. Additionally, Pakistani Student Association at UCSD will abide by UC San Diego requirements for students in labs, including policies for minors in UC laboratories, and ensure members receive safety training regarding the use of chemicals and/or machinery before entering the lab. Members must follow any best practices and lab safety protocols for the use of such chemicals, research equipment or machinery, including the appropriate use of Personal Protective Equipment, and should work under close supervision of those trained in the handling of chemicals/use of research equipment or machinery.

ARTICLE IX. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The Pakistani Student Association at UCSD will finance its activities on an event by event basis, utilizing funding through AS funding, or previous fundraising activities. Any money gathered will be handled by the executive committee and Finance Chair in a manner transparent to organization members.