



UNIVERSITY of ROCHESTER  
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION  
GOVERNMENT

# Men's Lacrosse Club

## ARTICLE I - ESTABLISHMENT

We the students, faculty, and staff of the University of Rochester hereby establish Men's Lacrosse Club of the University of Rochester and enact this constitution for its governance. Failure to follow this constitution could result in penalties or revocation of Students' Association recognition of this organization.

## ARTICLE II - MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Men's Lacrosse Club is to provide an organization for interested students to practice and compete in the sport of lacrosse. The club will promote physical health, teamwork, and sportsmanship via lacrosse.

## ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

### SECTION ONE - MEMBERSHIP

- A. Eligibility - All Students' Association (SA) members shall be eligible for membership. An SA Member is a University of Rochester undergraduate of the College who has paid their SA activities fee. All members and associate members shall be listed on the organization's Campus Community Connection site. Membership is automatically renewed yearly unless the member graduates, requests to cancel their membership, or fails to meet membership requirements.
- B. Definition of active member – An active member of the club must pay any necessary dues, participate in a reasonable amount of practices, and be eligible to compete in games/scrimmages. A reasonable amount of practices shall be determined by the officers each year.
- C. Definition of associate member - All University of Rochester faculty, staff, graduate students and Eastman students shall be eligible for associate membership but not eligible to hold an officer position. Graduate students, faculty, and staff are not eligible to compete nor travel as part of a college student organization. Associate members are do not pay dues. Associate members may participate in practices, but without paying dues and becoming an active member, cannot compete in games/scrimmages.

## ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS AND VOTING

### SECTION ONE - QUORUM

- A. A meeting shall be valid if a quorum is present. Quorum is defined as  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the active membership plus [one or more] officer(s).

## SECTION TWO - VOTING

- A. Voting on any issue shall be official only if the meeting is valid.
- B. All members shall have equal voting power.
- C. Procedure – All decisions shall be arrived at by simple majority using a hand vote unless otherwise specified by the presiding officer. The President shall only vote to break a tie.

## ARTICLE V - OFFICERS AND QUALIFICATIONS

### SECTION ONE - OFFICER POSITIONS

- A. President
- B. Vice President
- C. Business Manager
- D. Secretary
- E. Social Chair

### SECTION TWO - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- A. All officers shall be members of the Students' Association.
- B. All officers shall promote active recruitment of new members.
- C. All officers shall enforce this constitution.
- D. All officers shall be responsible for knowing the sections of the Students' Association constitution and bylaws that apply to this organization.
- E. All officers will determine what is considered a reasonable amount of practices, based on the circumstances of that given semester
- F. The President shall preside over the meetings and shall maintain organization within the club, communicate with other officers and delegate duties to maintain a functioning club that fulfills the purposes set forth above.
- G. The Business Manager shall be responsible for maintaining all finances and keep detailed records of all transactions.
- H. The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining a current copy of this constitution open to inspection by all members of this organization, Senators, and all members of the Students' Association.
- I. The Secretary shall also take roll call at all meetings, tally votes, keep an accurate list of organization members and take and maintain meeting minutes.
- J. The Vice President will deal with matters between the University/Wilson Commons Student Activities and the club. This will include signing up for spaces the club needs for events/meetings/practices etc. Any communications between the club and the University will go primarily through the VP. Additionally, should the President be unable to attend a club event/meeting/practice etc., the VP will assume the President's duties for that time.
- K. The Social Chair will be in charge of promoting the club to students at the University of Rochester, members of the Rochester community, and anyone else who may take interest in the club. This includes maintaining a social media presence for the club via platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, etc. This chair will also manage any co-sponsored events or activities this club host or attends with another on campus club,

organization, group, etc.

### SECTION THREE - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

- A. Nomination and Elections Procedure – Nominations will be open. One member must nominate another during the election, and another must second. This places the member nominated on the ballot for the position they were nominated for. Elections will be done confidentially, via either paper slips or a Google Form, or some similar mode of voting. The member on the ballot who receives the most votes for a position is elected to said position.
- B. Term of Office – Officers will serve in office for approximately 1 academic year.
- C. Timing of Elections – Elections will be held at the last meeting of the year to select the officers for the next academic year. Any transitional activities required will take place immediately after the election. This final meeting which elections take place at will occur at least 2 weeks before the end of classes, to comply with Student Activities regulations.

### SECTION FOUR - VACANCIES, RESIGNATIONS, AND REMOVALS

- A. At the first valid meeting following a vacancy of an office, the position is to be filled by the same manner described in Article V, Section Three.
- B. A vote of no confidence is a vote to remove an officer. Such a vote shall require a  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority of the entire active membership to pass. Any member of the organization may call for a vote of no confidence.
- C. If a vote of no confidence on any officer is to take place, they must be notified one week in advance.
- D. An office shall be declared vacant as the result of a vote of no confidence.

## ARTICLE VI - RESOURCES

### SECTION ONE - RESOURCES

- A. The Men's Lacrosse Club of the University of Rochester will abide their Resource Agreement.

## ARTICLE VII - HAZING POLICY

Hazing, defined as the harassment of one individual by another individual or organization, is not permitted by the Men's Lacrosse Club. Behavior prohibited under this rule includes actions threatening substantial risk of physical or mental injury; actions exposing the individual to distressing, repulsive, or alarming situations or sensations; forced consumption of alcohol or drugs; actions in the form of social pressure which might cause harm to an individual.

## ARTICLE VIII - NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

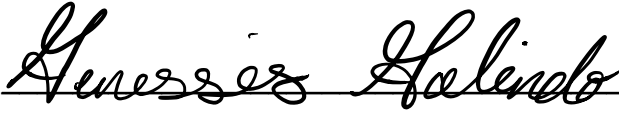
The Men's Lacrosse Club abides by the nondiscrimination policy of the University of Rochester.



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Signature of Confirmation  
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Date 5/6/2020



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Signature of Approval  
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Chair, Student Organization Administration & Review Committee

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