

Fashion Merchandising Club Constitution

Preamble:

We, the students at the University of Delaware, do hereby form the organization known as the Fashion Merchandising Club for the purpose of learning about the various career options in the fashion field as well as gain experience through guest speakers, trips to companies, and volunteer activities.

Article I/Name:

The organization shall be known as the Fashion Merchandising Club.

Article II/Mission:

Our mission of the Fashion Merchandising Club is to captivate the interest of fashion majors as well as those studying similar fields such as: graphic art, photography, and marketing and to provide these members with a diversified view of the scope of the fashion industry's many channels.

Article III/Qualifications for Membership:

Any full or part-time matriculated undergraduate student of the University of Delaware, who agrees with the object and purpose of the Fashion Merchandising Club and pays dues for a full year term shall be granted membership.

Note: One need not be a member in order to participate in club activities; however, this person shall not be eligible for discounts or benefits that a paid member is given.

Article IV/Officers and Elections:

Section I: President

The Fashion Merchandising Club shall have a President with the following duties:

- Calls and runs meetings as well as reserves room for the meetings
- Handles day to day activities
- Oversees general running of the club and officer morale
- Delegates new duties as she or he sees fit
- Picks up inefficiencies in other officer duties

Section II: Vice President

The Vice President shall serve the following duties:

- Serves the role of president if the president is absent, unable to serve the duties of president, or if the president resigns.
- Announces meetings through group voice mail/phone chains and e-mail
- Promotes meetings by posting signs in Alison Hall (Old Alison), Alison Annex (New Alison), and any legal/appropriate advertising zone on campus (see president's binder for University restrictions.)

Section III: Treasurer

The Treasurer shall serve the following duties:

- Records all group expenditures and revenues and maintains all group ledgers
- Signs any checks written by the club or for purposes of the organization
- Collects and keeps track of membership dues and members
- Orders meeting necessities as need be such as: refreshments, napkins, markers, etc.

Section IV: Secretary

The Secretary shall serve the following duties:

- Records the events of all officer meetings as well as club meetings as a whole
- Passes out attendance sheet
- Makes copies of minutes and distributes copies to all members/officers NOT present on the attendance sheet
- Types up the agenda for group meetings and makes sufficient copies

Section V: Qualifications for Officers

All officers must be full time matriculated, undergraduate students at the University of Delaware. They must be willing to meet with officers frequently and show initiative toward their position. Officers must work as a team to help the club run to its fullest potential. Officers that help each other fulfill individual duties have a group that will be more involved!

Article V/Meetings:

The Fashion Merchandising Club shall meet at least twice per academic semester; generally once a month. Officers should meet for at least double this amount of time in order to plan events and keep up-to-date.

Article VI/Bylaws:

Section I: Authority

The Fashion Merchandising Club shall establish bylaws to carry out the policies set forth in this constitution.

Section II: Approval of Bylaws

Bylaws and changes in bylaws shall be approved by two-thirds approval of those members present and voting.

Article VII/Procedure:

The rules contained in Roberts Rules of Order, Revise Edition shall govern the society in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the bylaws or the special rules of order of this society.

Article VIII/Ratification:

This Constitution shall be ratified by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the membership of the Fashion Merchandising Club and approval of this organization's registration by the Student Activities Office.

Article XI/Amendments:

Amendments to this Constitution shall require approval of two-thirds approval of the entire membership of the Fashion Merchandising Club. Advance notice must be made to all members of proposed changes to the constitution.