

The Constitution of Students' Union UCL

UCL Italian Society

1 Name

- 1.1 The name of the society shall be Students' Union UCL Italian Society.
- 1.2 The society shall be affiliated to Students' Union UCL.

2 Statement of Intent

- 2.1 The constitution, regulations, management and conduct of the society shall abide by all Students' Union UCL policy, and shall be bound by the <u>Students' Union UCL Memorandum & Articles of Association</u>, <u>Byelaws</u>, <u>Club and Society Regulations</u> and the club and society procedures and guidance laid out in the 'how to guides'.
- 2.2 The society stresses that it abides by Students' Union UCL Equal Opportunities Policies, and that society regulations pertaining to membership of the society or election to the society shall not contravene this policy.
- 2.3 The Club and Society Regulations can be found on the following webpage: http://studentsunionucl.org/content/president-and-treasurer-hub/rules-and-regulations.

3 The Society Committee

President

3.1 The president's primary role is laid out in section 5.7 of the Club and Society Regulations.

Treasurer

3.2 The treasurer's primary role is laid out in section 5.8 of the Club and Society Regulations.

Welfare Officer

3.3 The welfare officer's primary role is laid out in section 5.9 of the Club and Society Regulations.

Additional Committee Members

Social Secretary

3.4 The Social Secretary's role is to propose activities in whose organisation the Students' Union UCL Italian Society shall take active participation. The Social Secretary shall collaborate with the External Relations Director.

Events Officer

3.5 The Events Officer's role is supporting the President, Treasurer and other members of the

Committee in organising events, together with monitoring the relevant bureaucratic activities that the Students' Union UCL Italian Society shall deal with.

Language Class Coordinator

3.6 The Language Class Coordinator's role is to organise the language classes delivered by members of the Students' Union UCL Italian Society, on the premises provided by University College London. This is part of the Students' Union UCL Italian Society's purpose of spreading the Italian culture among interested individuals.

External Relations Officer

- 3.7 The External Relations Officer should try and involve other societies in Students' Union UCL Italian Society's events, and coordinate join-events. He or she should also try and keep relations with potential sponsors.
- 3.8 Management of the society shall be vested in the society committee which will endeavour to meet regularly during term time (excluding UCL reading weeks) to organise and evaluate society activities.
- 3.9 The committee members shall perform the roles as described in section 5 of the Students' Union UCL Club and Society Regulations.
- 3.10 Committee members are elected to represent the interests and well-being of society members and are accountable to their members. If society members are not satisfied by the performance of their representative officers they may call for a motion of no-confidence in line with the Students' Union UCL Club and Society Regulations.

4 Terms, Aims and Objectives

- 4.1 The society shall hold the following as its aims and objectives.
- 4.1.1 Spreading Italian Culture amongst Italian and non-Italian members.
- 4.1.2 Developing members' pre-existent knowledge of Italian culture, food, wine and architecture.
- 4.1.3 Co-operating with other Students' Union UCL Societies to give their members a complete frame of Italian and Mediterranean culture and history, focusing on their similarities and connections.
- 4.2 The society shall strive to fulfil these aims and objectives in the course of the academic year as its commitment to its membership.
- 4.3 The core activities of the society shall be:
- 4.3.1 Language classes to members of the Society, delivered by either member of the committee themselves or other members of the Society, prior to verification of them having fluent knowledge of Italian language and deep understanding of Italian culture.
- 4.3.2 Lectures, discussion groups and workshops on different topics concerning Italian culture, including, but not limited to, literature, history, traditions.
- 4.3.3 Film-nights with subsequent discussion session about the central themes of the movies shown.
- 4.3.4 Opera nights, involving members and non-members going to theatres where Italian operas or other important plays will be performed. Tickets shall be sold at reduced price for members of the Society.
- 4.3.5 5 a side football tournament, with the co-operation of other Students' Union UCL Societies interested in holding such events.
- 4.3.6 Starting annual trips to Italy during either of the reading weeks during term time or during the summer.

- 4.3.7 Promoting co-operation with the "Istituto Italiano di Cultura" in London (prior to approval by Students' Union UCL).
- 4.3.8 Collaborating with the Italian Embassy of London to host events and invite important speakers, deepening the knowledge of Italian Culture to our members.
- 4.3.9 Organising a social dinner to meet-up to encourage the creation of good relationships amongst our members once a month.
- 4.3.10 Collaborate with other Italian Societies around London to promote mentoring programmes and organise events together.
- 4.4 In addition, the society shall also strive to organise other activities for its members where possible:
- 4.4.1 Organising dinners or other occasions to gather in restaurants or other indoor places serving real Italian meals.
- 4.5 This constitution shall be binding on the society officers, and shall only be altered by consent of twothirds majority of the full members present at a society general meeting. The Activities Executive shall approve any such alterations.
- 4.6 This constitution has been approved and accepted as the Constitution for the Students' Union UCL Italian Society. By signing this document the president and treasurer have declared that they have read and abide by the Students' Union UCL Club and Society Regulations.

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