

## 2024-25

# **Constitution of Students' Union UCL**

# Dutch and Flemish Society (English) Nederlandse en Vlaamse Vereniging (Dutch)

#### 1. Name

- 1.1. The name of the club/society shall be Students' Union UCL Dutch and Flemish Society
- 1.2. The Club/Society shall be affiliated to Students' Union UCL.

#### 2. Statement of Intent

- 2.1. The constitution, regulations, management and conduct of the club/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 club/society stresses that it abides by Students' Union UCL Equal Opportunities Policies, and that club/society regulations pertaining to membership of the club/society or election to the club/society shall not contravene this policy.
- 2.3. The Club and Society Regulations can be found on the following webpage:

  <a href="http://studentsunionucl.org/content/president-and-treasurer-hub/rules-and-regulations">http://studentsunionucl.org/content/president-and-treasurer-hub/rules-and-regulations</a>.

#### 3. Committee

- 3.1. President
  - 3.1.1. The Presidents' primary role is laid out in section 5.7 of the Club and Society Regulations.
- 3.2. Treasurer
  - 3.2.1. The treasurer's primary role is laid out in section 5.8 of the Club and Society Regulations.
- 3.3. Welfare Officer
  - 3.3.1. The Welfare Officers' primary role is laid out in section 5.9 of the Club and Society Regulations.
- 3.4. Additional Committee Members

#### 3.4.1. Vice-President

- 3.4.1.1. The Vice-President's primary role is to lead correspondence with other Germanic Societies at UCL and London universities and suggest joint events.
- 3.4.2. Head of Marketing and Social Media
  - 3.4.2.1. The primary role of the Head of Marketing and Social Media is to lead Society's Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn and SU pages as well as to promote the Club.
- 3.4.3. Head of Academics
  - 3.4.3.1. The primary role of the Head of Academics is to organise and lead Dutch/Flemish language classes and to work closely with academic competitions outside UCL (e.g. Anglo-Netherlands or Anglo-Belgian Society and etc.).

#### 3.4.4. Head of Social Events

3.4.4.1. The primary role of the Head of Social Events is being responsible for arranging and carrying out social events, events with external speakers and regular Koffieuurtjes (coffee hours) and working together with the Head of Marketing and Social Media to promote these events.

#### 3.4.5. General Secretary

3.4.5.1. The General Secretary's primary role is to organise (on behalf of the President) and keep records of Committee Meetings, distribute notes to the Committee Members, provide regular updates on what is going on in the Society, organise members' satisfaction questionnaires and share this data with the Committee.

#### 3.4.6. Senior Counsellor (non-executive)

- 3.4.6.1. The Senior Counsellor's primary role is to give advice and an independent outlook to the Association's Principal Officers on the future events and suggest possible changes in the structure of the Club.
- 3.5. Management of the club/society shall be vested in the club/society committee which will endeavour to meet regularly during term time (excluding UCL reading weeks) to organise and evaluate club/society activities.
- 3.6. The committee members shall perform the roles as described in section 5 of the Students' Union UCL Club and Society Regulations.
- 3.7. Committee members are elected to represent the interests and well-being of club/society members and are accountable to their members. If club/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 club/society shall hold the following as its aims and objectives.
- 4.2. The club/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 club/society shall be:
  - 4.3.1. Koffieuurtjes (coffee hours) on UCL premises (Full Membership only).
  - 4.3.2. Events with external speakers (Full membership only)
  - 4.3.3. Events with Dutch and Belgian Embassies and House of Flanders
  - 4.3.4. Dutch/Flemish/Frisian lessons (Full Membership only)
  - 4.3.5. Get-to-know-each-other outings in London (pub crawl etc)
  - 4.3.6. Celebrations of National Holidays of the Low Countries (Full membership only)
- 4.4. In addition, the club/society shall also strive to organise other activities for its members where possible:
  - 4.4.1. Trips to Benelux countries
  - 4.4.2. Outings outside termtime
- 4.5. This constitution shall be binding on the club/society officers and shall only be altered by consent of two-thirds majority of the full members present at a club/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 Dutch and Flemish 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.

President	Name: Justin Yim	
	Signature: Justing	
	Date: 45 <sup>th</sup> July, 2024	
Treasurer	Name: Sarah Car	
	Signature: Car	

Date: 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2024