

UNC Charlotte STARS Constitution

Article I: Organization Name

This constitution establishes the Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. This will be the official name and acronym used to refer to our group on and off campus among ourselves and other organizations.

Article II: Purpose

Section I: The Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) is designed to broaden participation in computing through recruiting, bridging and retention. STARS will provide an environment that will broaden students' professional opportunities.

Section II: Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) is willing to abide by all UNC Charlotte policies and guidelines relating to on or off campus activities, which our club may sponsor or in which we may participate.

Article III: Membership

Section I: Any student in good standing with UNC Charlotte can become a member of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS). There are no restrictions to being a member of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS).

Section II: Dues shall be not be a part of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS).

Section III: Any member of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) can at any time, voluntarily withdraw his/her membership from the organization.

Section IV: In keeping with UNC Charlotte's policy of non-discrimination, STARS will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, sexual orientation, and physical or mental ability or disability.

Section V: Any member found to be violating UNC Charlotte's policies and guidelines relating to on or off campus activities shall be brought before the officers for review of said behavior. Should the actions be so egregious against the organization and University then the Officers will reserve the right to remove said member from permanent participation in the organization.

Article IV: Officers

Section I: Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) will be governed by four officers; although the organization reserves the right to create other positions upon demand (ad-hoc). Officially, these four officers will be called the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These officers, the faculty/staff advisor, and any ad-hoc positions created by Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) will comprise the executive committee of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS). Any other committees will be created based on recommendations made to the executive committee by the membership of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS).

Section II: The President of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) shall oversee the general function of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS). He/She will construct all meetings, oversee events, and delegate responsibilities where appropriate.

Section III: The Vice-President of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) shall seek out events/topics of meetings. He/She will stand-in for the President at any time if he/she is unable to represent the organization.

Section IV: The Secretary of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) shall keep all records of members and meetings. Responsible for submitting meeting notes to national organization.

Section V: The Treasurer of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) shall distribute and keep organized records of all monies involved within the chapter.

Article V: Function/Operation

Section I: Officers are elected by a secret ballot with a majority 2/3 vote of general good standing members of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS).

Section II: Nominees are to be any good standing member is eligible for office. The Presidential office is only to be held by a Junior, Senior, or Graduate level student. To be nominated a fellow member must nominate someone and another member willing to vouch for that person must second them. Once all nominees for a position are settled then each nominee must make a statement on their own behalf. Then the secret ballot will commence.

Section III: The vote will be by secret ballot with the faculty/staff advisor collecting and counting the votes.

Section IV: Officers will serve one academic year (Fall-Spring) and elections will be held within the first two meetings of the Fall semester.

Section V: Officers can be impeached by a 2/3 vote of good standing members of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS).

Section VI: Members can be removed by a 2/3 vote of good standing members of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS).

Section VII: The role of Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) advisor shall be to verify that Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) is following UNCC guidelines. The advisor is to also give general support and guidance in events and meetings.

Section VIII: Meetings shall be as determined by the Officers.

Article VI: Finances

Section I: Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) plans to finance its activities through funding by UNCC and student member dues.

Section II: Students & Technology in Academia, Research, and Service Leadership Corps (STARS) will also use independent funding.

Article VII: Constitutional Amendments

Section I: Any member in good standing with STARS can propose Amendments.

Section II: A proposed amendment must have another member willing to vouch for it, seconding the motion.

Section III: Then the amendment(s) must be approved by a 2/3 vote, of good standing members.