

MECC Consulting Group

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Preamble

MECC Consulting Group is targeted toward both undergraduate and graduate students of the University of Michigan community who are interested in pursuing careers in management, strategy, or operations consulting. The mission of MECC is to provide a network of resources for students to learn about and prepare for careers in consulting.

MECC Consulting Group is committed to a policy of equal opportunity for all persons and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, religion, height, weight, or veteran status in its membership or activities unless permitted by university policy for gender specific organizations.

Upon joining the organization, all members agree not to undermine the purpose or mission of MECC Consulting Group.

Article I. Name

Section 1. Name

The name of the club will be the “MECC Consulting Group,” and will be referred to by the acronym “MECC.”

Section 2. Insignia



Article II. Purpose

Section 1. Purpose

The purpose of MECC is to provide a network of resources for University of Michigan students to learn about and prepare for careers in consulting. Currently, students in the business school have access to a “Ross School of Business Consulting Club” that provides case books, interview workshops, and networking sessions with consulting firms. Though engineering students are in strong demand by consulting firms, students do not have access to a similar set of resources, which makes the recruitment process more difficult.

MECC Consulting Group will make the consulting recruitment process more familiar for students, so that they better understand and are prepared for recruiting. Though the club will also help students gauge their interest in consulting, it is designed for students who already have a serious interest in pursuing careers in consulting. The club will also provide real-world, pro-bono consulting projects for members to work on. This will add to the members' development as consultants and make the students more attractive to recruiters.

Article III. Membership

Section 1. Student Eligibility

Active membership is open to all undergraduate and graduate students at the University of Michigan.

Section 2. Becoming a Member

To become a member, students must apply online. Certain students will then be selected for interviews. The executive board will select a predetermined number of new members based on interview performance. Members must dedicate at least four hours per week to the club for projects and events.

Section 3. Alumni Relations

Alumni from the MECC who enter into consulting careers are encouraged to maintain relations with the club. This will provide a valuable resource to students who look to learn more directly about specific consulting firms, and will also strengthen the club's relations with industry. Vice President of Professional Development and External Vice President will be responsible for maintaining alumni relations.

Section 4. Membership Withdrawal

Students who fail to pay membership fees before the specified deadline will be removed from MECC. In addition, students who graduate from The University of Michigan will be moved to "alumni status" within the club. Furthermore, the executive board reserves the right to revoke any student's membership. Revoking membership requires a 2/3 vote of all executive board members.

Article IV. Officers

Section 1. Officers

The following offices shall exist within MECC: President, Vice President of Project Management , External Vice President, Internal Vice President, Vice President of Professional Development, Vice President of Finance. Board positions will be elected at the end of the Winter semester, and the term of each position is one year. All officers will support the main purpose of the club, with the specific activities specified below:

- **President**
 - Schedule and run MECC board meetings
 - Motivate the board members toward their respective goals

- Meet with MECC program director and program advisor
- Determine MECC policy changes
- Guide external representation of MECC to consulting firms, alumni, and the University of Michigan
- Pursue relationships with other CoE and Consulting societies and co-sponsoring of events
- **Vice President of Project Management**
 - Acquire projects for membership
 - Oversee projects
 - Advise Project Managers as needed
 - Educate membership about consulting process
- **External Vice President**
 - Organize presentations from student, alumni, and corporate speakers
 - Responsible for alumni relations and maintaining of alumni network
 - Assist president with firm relations and communications with industry
 - Coordinate society relations with UMEC and MSA (attend UMEC meetings)
 - Maintain relations with Business School Consulting Club
 - Promote and advertise MECC to prospective members
- **Internal Vice President**
 - Work with president to prepare agenda and content for all meetings
 - Maintain records of membership for MECC and communicate membership fees with Treasurer
 - Organize logistics for mass meetings, interviews and club meetings
 - Oversee all internal operations and coordinate with Vice President of Professional Development
 - Coordinate future elections for MECC
 - Manage mCommunity listservs and provide email updates to members
- **Vice President of Professional Development**
 - Compile instructional material to be presented during training sessions
 - Organize case partner and case practice sessions
 - Coordinate case/behavioral interview “Superday”
 - Build resume book each semester
 - Compile list of recommended courses for consulting preparation
 - Be the go-to person for recruiting advice/help
- **Vice President of Finance**
 - Responsible for collecting and keeping track of membership dues
 - Apply for ESG and CSG funding
 - Organize funding for club events and meetings
 - Maintain MECC account and monitor funds, communicating to rest of board weekly
 - Allocate spending of dues for semester budgets
 - Communicate with MECC members information about club finances to maintain transparency

Section 2. Executive Board

The governing body of the club comprised of the board positions outlined above. The board may add or remove positions as the club’s operations change. In addition, the board may form any committees or groups as it sees necessary.

Section 3. Advisors

MECC will maintain relations with its faculty advisor from the College of Engineering. Any faculty or staff member from the College of Engineering is eligible to be an advisor. MECC E-board will meet regularly with the advisor to communicate news and happenings of the club. The advisor will oversee the actions of the club and provide guidance when necessary.

Article V. Operations

Section 1. Office

Any MECC member is eligible to hold an officer position.

Section 2. Elections

Aside from the first operating term of the MECC, officers will be elected at the MECC elections meeting. This meeting will be held at the end of Fall semester; the specific date will be determined by the board. Prior to the elections meeting, interested members will send a brief statement of interest to the president. At the meeting, candidates will give a one-minute speech, followed by a written vote of all members in attendance. For each position, votes will be tallied by the current president, and the next position will then be elected. If a member is not elected for the first position he/she runs for, he/she will be allowed to run for multiple positions.

Section 3. Assuming Positions

Positions will be elected for one year. Members are allowed to serve multiple terms in office, but must run for that position and be elected each year.

Section 4. Advisor Role in Elections

The advisor has no responsibility in the elections process.

Section 5. Constitution Ratification

Ratification requires a 2/3 vote of all active members present at the MECC general meeting following the submission of the proposed constitution. This process will occur every 2 years. The ratified constitution will take effect immediately.

Article VI. Finances

Section 1. Financing of Activities

Activities planned by MECC will be funded by MECC when possible. The treasurer will determine how much of this funding will be supported by attending members.

Section 2. Financing Responsibilities

The treasurer will be responsible for all of the club's finances.

Article VII. Amendments

Section 1. Proposal

Any active member can propose an amendment to the MECC constitution by submitting a written statement to the executive board.

Section 2. Ratification

Ratification requires a 2/3 vote of all active members present at the MECC general meeting following the submission of the proposed amendment. Ratified amendments will take effect immediately.

Article VIII. Removal of Membership

Section 1. Officer Removal

If an officer is not complying with the rules, regulations, and responsibilities according to the MECC constitution, any member of the executive board may propose a vote to remove the person from the board. This vote will be conducted amongst the board members at the following MECC executive board meeting. For the officer to be removed from position, 2/3 of the board members must vote for removal.

Article IX. By-Laws

Section 1. Standing Committees

No standing committees currently exist within MECC. The formation of a standing committee can be proposed by any MECC member in writing to the board. This proposal will be voted upon and passed with a 2/3 vote of the active membership present at the next MECC general meeting. Standing committees will take effect immediately.

Section 2. Ad Hoc Committees

Ad Hoc Committees can be created by the MECC executive board at any time, as needed. The entire board must verbally agree with the formation of the ad hoc committee. Such committees may be formed to pursue temporary projects, such as a workshop or co-sponsorship of an event with another society.

Section 3. Meetings

MECC board and general member meetings will be planned and organized by the executive board as needed, and will take place either on North or Central Campus. The President and Internal Vice President will be responsible for coordinating the logistics of all meetings.