

CORNELL CURRENT

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I: NAME, PURPOSE, AND WEBSITE

Section A: Name. The name of this club is **Cornell Current**.

Section B: Purpose. The purposes of this club are to:

- Analyze in-depth current events and industry trends in a group setting.
- Teach its members industry technicals and evaluate analytical techniques pertaining to relevant industries.
- Provide a university-wide website platform (www.cornellcurrent.com) for members, faculty, alumni, and professional affiliates to share powerful analysis and insight on global and industry-specific trends.
- Provide training for its members in various tools necessary for analysis of macroeconomic and industry trends on an advanced, technical, and data-driven level.
- Host Cornell University's premier insights conference on global and industry trends ("GPC").

Section C: Website. The website of the club is: **www.cornellcurrent.com**. The official Cornell Current Constitution is the one available on the website, on the **About** page.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

Section A: Eligibility. Any full-time Cornell student is eligible for membership in Cornell Current.

Section B: Selection. Members are selected through a recruitment process designed by and at the discretion of the President, Senior Vice President, and Vice President of Recruitment. This selection process will include an application and an in-person interview.

Section C: Sector. Each member of the General Body, except for Officers, is required to be a Sector Leader or Sector Analyst in one of the five Sectors: **Economy, International, Politics, Science, and Technology**.

Section D: New Member Education. New members attend New Member Education sessions to help achieve the purposes of the club, as outlined in Article I, Section B, **Purpose**. The New Member Education sessions are designed by and at the discretion of the President, Senior Vice President, and Vice President of Training. New member training will include but not be limited to: Bloomberg Terminal training, resume workshops, public presentation workshops, industry analysis workshops, and case study analyses.

Section E: Code of Conduct.

Subsection 1: All members are required to follow local, state, and federal laws, Cornell University rules, and the organization's constitution at all functions.

Subsection 2: All members will abide by the Cornell Student Handbook, specifically Policy 6.4: Prohibited Bias, Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual and Related Misconduct.

Subsection 3: Any violation of the above will result in the expulsion of the violator at the discretion of the Officers and the Advisor.

ARTICLE III: EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section A: Purpose. Management of Cornell Current is entrusted in the Executive Board (“Board”), responsible to the entire membership to uphold this Constitution. There are two types of Board members: Officers and Sector Leaders.

Section B: Officers. The following positions are filled on an annual basis, with rotations occurring annually at the start of the Spring Semester, in order to follow the fiscal year. The officers are: **President, Senior Vice President, Treasurer, Vice President of Recruitment, Vice President of Training, Vice President of Events.**

Section C: Sector Leaders. There are five sector leaders, one for each sector, ranked in solely alphabetical order: **Economy** Sector Leader, **International** Sector Leader, **Politics** Sector Leader, **Science** Sector Leader, **Technology** Sector Leader.

Section D: Selection. Board members will be selected and assigned to their positions by Article IV.

Section E: Vacancies. If a vacancy in a position during a term, the current Board is tasked with filling the vacancy by selecting a new Board member to serve either a semester-long or a year-long term, at the discretion of the current Board.

ARTICLE IV: EXECUTIVE BOARD SELECTION

The elected positions below will be elected via the Voting Protocol. Then, the appointed positions will be selected via application by the newly elected leadership.

Elected Positions (Officers):

- President
- Senior Vice President (not a separate election: The runner-up to the President election will be the Senior Vice President)
- Vice President of Recruitment
- Vice President of Training
- Treasurer

Appointed Positions (Sector Leaders):

- Economy Sector Leader
- International Sector Leader
- Politics Sector Leader
- Science Sector Leader
- Technology Sector Leader

Voting Protocol for Officers:

1. Each candidate will submit their name and reasons for applying (max. 200 words) by a deadline no later than one week before elections. The deadline and all voting information must be disseminated to the General Body no later than one week before elections. The compiled list of candidates and their reasons for applying will be disseminated to the General Body no later than one week before elections.
2. Each candidate will have a speech (max. 3 minutes) about why they want to run, then we will allot time (max. 3 minutes) for asking and answering questions. While one candidate is giving speeches, all other candidates will not be present in the room (via Zoom, we will put people “outside the room” in a Breakout Room)
3. After candidates give speeches, we will remove them from the room. Then we will have 3 minutes to discuss candidates. It is requested that anything that happens in discussion is not shared to anyone else, and is not discussed further afterwards at all, so that we can feel safe enough to discuss candidates honestly. Please remember to be respectful and give people the benefit of doubt, always.
4. Then voting will occur in the form of a simple single-choice vote. Each voter will select one candidate, and the candidates with the most votes will win. In the case of a tie, a runoff election will occur. The candidates who tied will undergo voting again. There will be no time allotted to give speeches, take questions, or have discussions.
5. The winner will be declared. All who do not win may run down the ticket, off of the floor.
 - a. For example, if one runs for President but is not elected (and is not second place), they may then run for, they may then run for VP of Recruitment. If they do not win the VP of Recruitment election, they may then run for VP of Training. If they do not with the VP of Training election, they may then run for Treasurer.
 - b. One may run off the floor because they lost an election up the ticket, but there is no other acceptable reason to run off the floor. Candidates who plan on running for a position should submit their name and reasons for applying.

Note: The SVP will be selected as the runner-up (the second-place winner) of the election for President, should they choose to accept it. If not, the SVP position will be offered to the third-place winner, and the second-place winner will be allowed to run down the ballot. If the third-place winner does not accept the position, this process will continue.

Selection Protocol for Sector Leaders:

1. No later than one week after Elections have completed, the new Executive Board (President, Senior Vice President, Vice President of Recruitment, Vice President of Training, and Treasurer) will select the five Sector Leaders (Economy, International, Politics, Science, Technology).
 - a. This will occur by mobilizing the members of each Sector to nominate members to be the Sector Leader.
 - b. Then the nominees may write a statement (max. 200 words) stating why they would like to be the Sector Leader of their Sector.

ARTICLE V: DUTIES

President. The President:

- Sets the goals and objectives of the club.
- Schedules weekly meetings.
- Presides during weekly meetings.
- Represents the club to the public.
- Manages Executive Board Officers.
- Makes tie-breaking decisions on behalf of the Executive Board.
- Performs any other necessary duties.

Senior Vice President. The Senior Vice President:

- Presides during weekly meetings in the absence of the President.
- Assists the President in the performance of any of the President's duties.
- Keeps attendance at meetings.
- Manages Sector Leaders.
- Organizes club members and keeps the club informed on administrative matters.
- Manages website.
- Performs any other necessary duties.

Treasurer. The Treasurer:

- Attends weekly meetings.
- Maintains relations with the Student Assembly Finance Commission and with the Dyson School.
- Applies for funding and ensures that the club is fully funded every semester.
- Keeps an itemized account of all receipts and expenditures and make reports as directed.
- Performs any other necessary duties related to finances.

Vice President of Recruitment. The Vice President of Recruitment:

- Attends weekly meetings.
- Recruits new members to the club and oversees the recruitment process.
- Produces marketing materials.
- Helps incorporate and acclimate new members to the club.
- Performs any other necessary duties related to recruitment and new member acquisition.

Vice President of Training. The Vice President of Training:

- Attends weekly meetings.
- Designs and runs New Member Education sessions to integrate new members to the club.
- Provides resources for new members as listed in Article II, Section D, **New Member Education**.
- Provides resources for all members for their professional and personal development.
- Performs any other necessary duties related to the training and education of all members.

Sector Leaders. There are five Sector Leaders: Economy, International, Politics, Science, and Technology. Each Sector Leader:

- Attends weekly meetings.
- Runs his/her Sector.
- Ensures that articles to be written are being assigned regularly to Sector Analysts such that, every semester, publications are posted to the website.
- Reads each article to serve as an editor to suggest changes to the author before publication.
- Ensures that written articles are published to his/her Sector's page on the website.
- Assigns and edits Slides to be completed by Sector Analysts for weekly meetings.
- Leads his/her Sector in semesterly Sector Presentations.
- Performs any other necessary duties related to the operation of his/her Sector.

Sector Analysts. Every member of the club who is not in an Executive Board position is a Sector Analyst. Each Sector Analyst:

- Attends weekly meetings.

- Writes articles in a timely manner for publication to the website.
- Completes Slides in a timely manner for presentation to the rest of the club.
- Works with the rest of his/her Sector to produce and deliver to the club the Sector Presentation.
- Performs any other assigned duties by his/her Sector Leader.

Senior Analysts. Senior Analysts are Sector Analysts. Each Senior Analyst:

- Assists in the training and education of new Sector Analysts.
- Assists the Sector Leader in his/her capabilities as an editor.
- Performs his/her duties as a Sector Analyst to the satisfaction of the Sector Leader.
- Is selected by his/her Sector Leader to be promoted to Senior Analyst.

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS

Section A: General Body meetings. General Body meetings are held weekly during the regular school year. Meetings are open to members of the club. Meetings will adhere to the following procedure and will attempt to remain approximately one hour long.

1. President opens meeting.
2. Senior Vice President takes attendance.
3. Brief announcements by the Executive Board for the General Body.
4. Sector Slides by all five Sector Analysts tasked by their Sector Leaders for delivering Slides at this meeting, in any order.
5. Sector Presentation, if scheduled.
6. Miscellaneous necessary matters.
7. President closes meetings.

General Body meetings may cancelled due to events out of the club's control.

Section B: New Member Education sessions. New Member Education sessions are held after General Body meetings, as scheduled by the President, Senior Vice President, and Vice President of Training. Sessions will be designed and run by the Vice President of Training. New Members will be required to attend these Sessions, with exceptions granted by the President, Senior Vice President, or Vice President of Training.

Section C: Executive Board meetings. Executive Board meetings will be called by the President, the Senior Vice President, or a consensus of Executive Board members. Executive Board meetings are run at the design of whoever elected to hold the meeting.

ARTICLE VII: FACULTY ADVISOR

Section A: Selection. The Faculty Advisor is selected by the Executive Board and may serve for as many years as the Executive Board and the Faculty Advisor wish.

Section B: Duties. The Faculty Advisor approves club funding, ensures that the club is operating under Cornell University rules and Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management rules.

ARTICLE VIII: MODE OF AMENDMENT

Section A: Process. The President may amend this Constitution with the approval of a two-thirds vote of General Body members: at least two out of every three General Body members must vote in favour of the Amendment.

Section B: Writer's Amendment. Until December 31, 2020, at 23:59 ET, the Writer of this Constitution, Pratik Vadlamudi, may amend this Constitution at his discretion.