

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I Name

The name of this organization shall be the Wilderness Medicine Interest Group.

ARTICLE II Purpose

Section 1. Aims

The aims of the Wilderness Medicine Interest Group are to:

1. Educate medical students about a career in Wilderness Medicine and the requirements necessary to be successful in becoming Wilderness Medicine physicians.
2. Facilitate events that develop student understanding of career opportunities in the field of Wilderness Medicine.
3. Connect students with residents and staff of the Wilderness Department to provide mentorship and assistants to students in preparation for a career in Wilderness Medicine

Section 2. Accountability

The Wilderness Medicine Interest Group shall operate within the policies of the School of Medicine and University as set forth in the Student Handbook and other statements of policy and procedure adopted by the School and/or University. The Assistant Dean for Career Advisement is the official liaison between the Deans' Office and all School of Medicine Specialty Interest Groups.

ARTICLE III Membership

Membership is open to all LLUSM students, faculty, and alumni. Meetings are open to any members and their guests. Membership fees are \$15 per academic year.

ARTICLE IV Organization

Section 1. Qualifications for Office

Each officer must be a student of LLUSM in good standing. Section 2. Governing Committee

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1. **President:** the President shall oversee and direct the general business of Wilderness Medicine Interest Group, represent the Wilderness Medicine Interest Group, and assume communication with sponsors, advisors, and the Deans' Office.
 2. **Vice President:** the Vice President shall assist the president the President in the general business of Wilderness Medicine Interest Group and shall assume the role of President in the event of the President's absence.

3. Secretary-Treasurer: the Secretary-Treasurer shall keep minutes of all Wilderness Medicine Interest Group meetings, distribute minutes to other officers, maintain financial records, and oversee fundraising efforts.
4. Class Representative: the representatives will make announcement and provide information to their class specifically via in-class announcements and emails.

Section 3. Sponsor

1. The Wilderness Medicine Interest Group shall be sponsored by Emergency Medicine Department.
2. One or more Faculty Advisor(s) shall be appointed by the Department Chair and the Deans' Office.

ARTICLE V Elections

Section 1. Procedures

The term of office shall be one academic year. Wilderness Medicine Interest Group elections shall be held during the first month of **May 2022**. Nominations will be accepted at the election meeting, and voting will be by secret ballot of the members present. A simple majority of votes cast will determine the winner of each position. Vacant officer posts shall be filled at the discretion of the President. In special cases, with prior approval of the assistant dean for career advisement and/or the faculty advisor, voting may be done on line.

Section 2. Notification

Within two weeks after elections, the President-elect shall file an updated list of officers with the Office of the Assistant Dean for Career Advisement.