

Constitution for University of Toronto Mississauga Poker Club

1 Club Name

The official name of this recognized campus group is “University of Toronto Mississauga Poker Club”.

The acronym or abbreviation of this group is UTM Poker.

2 Purpose

The purpose of the University of Toronto Mississauga Poker Club is to provide a community for poker players and promote the game of poker as a form of entertainment and recreation. The club will hold social events, games and tournaments to provide a platform for players to connect and to improve their poker skills and we welcome individuals of all skill levels. We denounce financial gambling and advocate the sporting aspect of poker.

3 Membership

Membership to the group is open to all University of Toronto members (students, staff, faculty, and alumni); these members have full rights to run, nominate, and vote in elections and constitutional amendments. Persons from outside the University may still participate in club events, but cannot be regarded as official members. Persons seeking full membership must register using the available membership form by filling out their full name, UofT email address, student number, and UTORid. There is no monetary cost to club membership.

To maintain recognition by the University of Toronto Mississauga Students Union (UTMSU), the group is to maintain a minimum of twenty-five (25) members, of which a minimum of 51% are UTMSU members. The group is to also maintain recognition by the Office of Student Life. These requirements are subject to change and will be checked annually with the UTMSU to ensure qualifications are met.

4 Executive List and Duties

President:

- Oversee the operations, management, and success of the group
- Be the spokesperson for the group
- Hold signing officer authority
- Preside over executive meetings as well as general meetings
- Ensure transition of office to the future Executives

Vice-president:

- Assuming the duties of the President in their absence
- Overseeing any committees and events
- Notifying members of club events and meetings
- Holding signing officer authority

Treasurer:

- Record all financial transactions of the group
- Hold signing officer authority along with the President for financial purposes
- Maintain a budget of income and expenses along with receipts
- Advise members on financial position of the group
- Prepare an annual budget for the group as well as budgets for specific events

Event coordinator:

- Planning, designing, and coordinating club events
- Oversee the event process and responsible for matters leading up to and including the running of the event
- Ensure that events and activities held by the club are in line with the objectives, purposes, and the spirit of the club

Marketing lead:

- Maintain the web sites, the Instagram page and group, and member contact list
- Create promotional materials

5 Elections

The executive committee shall appoint one volunteer (1) Chief Returning Officer (CRO) that is not currently running for the election or holds any current bias towards the election. The CRO shall be required to disclose any and all conflicts of interest in the election. The CRO shall

accept nominations only from group members that are also registered U of T members for candidacy of executive positions from the general membership before the beginning of March.

In preparation for a tie, the CRO shall select an executive from amongst the executive committee, to cast their ballot and seal it in an envelope. In the event of a tie for an executive position, one of the two Scrutinizers shall break the seal and count the ballot in order to break the tie.

Candidates have to be members in good standing and be part of the group for at least one month prior to the nomination period.

It is the CRO's duty to uphold the election in accordance with UTMSU policies

–

6 Finances

The Treasurer is responsible for keeping a record of all income and expenses, and will present a summary of the group's financial health at general meetings. The executive committee will vote by majority on expenditures over \$100 at executive meetings.

The group's executive or members may not engage in activities that are essentially commercial in nature. This is not intended to preclude the collection of membership fees to cover the expenses of the group, or of charges for specific activities, programs or events, or to prohibit groups from engaging in legitimate fundraising. However, the group will not have as a major activity a function that makes it an on-campus part of a commercial organization, will not provide services and goods at a profit when that profit is used for purposes other than those of the organization, and will not pay salaries to all of its officers.

7 Meetings

A) Annual General Meetings (AGMs):

The group shall hold general meetings at least twice per year, i.e. once per academic term.

The Executive Committee will announce these dates two (2) weeks prior to holding the meetings. These meetings are intended to go over the group's annual activity plan, financial health and propose or vote on constitutional amendments, if any. Motions will require 2/3

majority of registered members in attendance for a vote to be cast. The motion with the most votes will be passed.

b) Executive Meetings:

The executive committee shall meet on a monthly basis where date and times are to be set by an executive. The quorum of executive meetings shall be 50%+1 of executives.

8 Amendments

Any registered U of T members may propose and vote on amendments to this constitution. The Executive Committee will administer the process of having amendments discussed at general meetings.

Constitutional amendments shall require a 2/3 majority to be passed at Annual General Meetings by registered U of T members in attendance.

The Executive Committee shall formally adopt the new constitution and submit the revised constitution to the respective University offices (i.e. The Office of Student Life, The University of Toronto Students' Union, etc) within two (2) weeks of its approval by general members.