

Constitution of the “Law Transcending Borders Club”

1. Article One - Name and Purpose
 - 1.1. The official name of the recognized student group is the “Law Transcending Borders Club”.
 - 1.2. The official acronym of abbreviation of the group name is “LTBC”
 - 1.3. The purpose, objective and mission of the group is to create an inclusive student organisation committed to fostering a comprehensive understanding of law at the international level. Our objective is to bring together pre-law enthusiasts and those passionate about legal studies to engage in thoughtful discussions and be given a platform to discuss important current events happening through a legal lens. Through a combination of academic events, expert speaker sessions, and collaborative projects, we aim to deepen our members' understanding of legal systems worldwide and their impact on international relations. LTBC seeks to cultivate a community that not only prepares individuals for legal education but also equips them with a nuanced understanding of the global legal landscape, promoting justice on a global scale.

2. Article Two - Membership
 - 2.1. The group shall maintain a list of group members
 - 2.2. Any student at the University of Toronto can become a general member of LTBC
 - 2.3. There is no fee for becoming a member

3. Article Three - Rights of members
 - 3.1. All members have a right to attend any and all meetings
 - 3.2. All members have a right to stand for election for an administrative role on the executive committee

4. Article Four - Executive Committee
 - 4.1. The term for all positions on the executive committee shall be from May 1st to April 30th.
 - 4.2. The members who make up the executive committee shall cast a vote for members who apply for administrative positions at the chosen date of April 25.
 - 4.3. All members of the Executive Committee must be students enrolled at the University of Toronto

5. Article Five - Executive Committee Composition and Duty
 - 5.1 The President shall:
 - 5.1.1 Be eligible to cast votes at meetings of the executive committee
 - 5.1.2 Oversee the operations, management and success of the group
 - 5.1.3 Serve as spokesperson for group
 - 5.1.4 Hold signing and financial authority along with treasurer
 - 5.1.5 Preside over meetings of the Executive Committee and/or members
 - 5.1.6 Ensure a transition of office from one year to the next

5.2 The Vice-President shall:

- 5.2.1 Be eligible to cast votes at meetings of the Executive Committee
- 5.2.2 Assume duties of the President in their absence
- 5.2.3 Ensure activities of the club comply with the policies of the University
- 5.2.4 Coordinate organisational recruitment efforts

5.3 The Secretary shall:

- 5.3.1 Be eligible to cast votes at meetings of the Executive Committee
- 5.3.2 Maintain a list of group members
- 5.3.3 Maintain a group website and member contact list
- 5.3.4 Record notes and motions for meetings
- 5.3.5 Notify all members of general meetings

5.4 The position for Treasurer shall:

- 5.4.1 Be eligible to cast votes at meetings of the Executive Committee
- 5.4.2 Record all financial transactions of the group
- 5.4.3 Hold signing and financial authority along with the President
- 5.4.4 Maintain a budget of income and expenses
- 5.4.5 Advise members on financial position of the group
- 5.4.6 Prepare an annual budget for the group

Article 6 - Elections

6.1 All voting positions on the Executive Committee shall be filled through an annual election

6.2 All voting members shall be eligible to seek nomination to and cast a ballot for each voting position

6.3 All non voting members (general members) shall be eligible to seek nomination for positions on the Executive Committee

6.4 The nominee winning the plurality of votes cast in the election for each position shall be deemed the winner

6.5 On the condition that multiple candidates are to be elected for a single position, the nominee winning the largest share of votes cast shall be deemed the winner.

6.6 The election must be held in an unbiased manner. No individual who is seeking election may participate in planning or administering the election

Article 7 - Finances

7.1 The Treasurer shall keep an active record of income and expenses

7.2 The Treasurer shall present the groups updates on the groups financial position at annual general meetings

7.3 The Executive Committee must approve all expenditures over \$100.00 through a majority vote at a meeting of Executive Committee

7.4 The group may not engage in activities that are essentially commercial in nature

7.5 The group will not have a major activity a function that makes it an on-campus chapter of a commercial organisation

7.6 The group will not provide services and goods at a profit when that profit is used for purposes other than those of the group

7.7 The group will not pay salaries to any of its officers

Article Eight - Meetings

8.1 The executive Committee shall meet monthly. The quorum for Executive Committee meetings shall be 50% + 1 of the voting members of the Executive Committee.

8.2 The group shall hold general meetings at least twice a year per year to provide the general membership an opportunity to review the group's annual activity plan financial health and propose or vote on constitutional amendments.

8.3 The Executive Committee must announce the date of a general meeting to the general members at least two (2) weeks prior to the date of the meetings

Article Nine - Termination of Membership

9.1 The Executive Committee may revoke the membership of any member of the club who commits an act negatively affecting the interests of the club and its members, including non-disclosure of significant or continuing conflict of interest

9.2 A vote to revoke membership must be held at a meeting of the Executive Committee

9.3 A two-thirds majority of the Executive Committee is required to approve any motion to revoke membership

9.4 Any member facing removal shall have the right to appeal the decision of the Executive Committee to the general membership

9.5 In the case of an appeal, a simple majority vote at a meeting of the general membership shall be required to sustain the revocation of membership

9.6 Following a termination of membership, the member will be removed from the club's membership and will lose any privileges associated with being a member of the club.

9.7 Executive Committee members are subject to the same termination of membership process as general members

Article 10 - Amendments

10.1 All constitutional amendments shall require $\frac{2}{3}$ majority vote to be passed at a general meeting

10.2 All voting members may propose and vote on amendments to the constitution

10.3 The Executive Committee shall submit the revised constitution to staff in the Division of Student Life at the University of Toronto within (2) weeks.

10.4 Amendments to the constitution shall take effect only once the revised constitution has been approved by staff in the Division of Student Life at the University of Toronto.

