



MBA Council Constitution

Preamble

The purpose of this organization shall be to further the mission of the Stephen M. Ross School of Business by representing the needs and interests of all full-time MBA students, promoting comprehensive MBA student involvement in the school's decision-making process, providing a liaison between the full-time MBA student body and the Ross administration, and driving positive change by learning and evolving to meet the needs of our core constituents.

The Ross School of Business MBA Council 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.

Article I: Name

The name of this organization shall be the Ross School of Business MBA Council.

Article II: Affiliation with other groups

MBA Council is affiliated with the MBA Program Office at the Stephen M. Ross School of Business and acts as a sponsor/advisor to the council.

Article III: Purpose of MBA Council

Section 1: Projects and Events

To originate projects and activities that will enhance, improve, or benefit the Ross full-time MBA community.

Section 2: Appropriations

To appropriate monies from the MBA Program office designated for MBA student purposes, as prescribed by University and Ross guidelines.

Section 3: Recognition and Coordination of Student Organizations

- To provide a system for the registration of all MBA and combined MBA/BBA groups meeting the definition of a student organization as defined by the MBA Council Bylaws.
- To offer resources and support for the activities of such MBA and combined MBA/BBA organizations.
- To revoke recognition to MBA and/or combined MBA/BBA groups not meeting stated requirements.

Section 4: Appointments

To serve as the appointing body for the selection of replacements for MBA Council Executive Board members, members of MBA student committees, and representatives for all future purposes.

Section 5: Bylaws

To establish bylaws of legislation to exercise the powers and carry out the functions described herein.

Article IV: MBA Council Executive Board

Section 1: Purpose of Executive Board

The Executive Board of MBA Council shall, in addition to duties prescribed in the MBA Council Bylaws, provide support to all MBA Council activities and coordinate interaction among the MBA community, MBA Clubs, and Section Leadership.

Section 2: Members of the Executive Board

The officers of the Executive Board shall be composed of the following:

- President
- Executive Vice President
- Vice President of Clubs and Experience
- Vice President of Finance
- Vice President of International Student Experience
- Vice President of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- Vice President of Wellness

Section 3: Officer Tenure and Requirements

Officers will hold their position for one year and shall be required to disclose any Community Values (CVC) convictions before assuming office and during office tenure. Officers must also be in good academic standing.

MBA Council Officers may not be the President of a professional club. MBA Council officers shall disclose memberships or officer positions held in other organizations. No MBA Council Officer shall vote on issues related to organizations with which that student is affiliated.

Section 4: Removal from Office

An officer will be required to resign from office when that student unenrolls from Ross or has completed degree requirements.

An officer may be removed for unsatisfactory performance or inappropriate behavior by the means described in the MBA Council Bylaws.

Section 5: Elections

The time, place, and manner of holding elections for the MBA Council Executive Board, shall be prescribed in the MBA Council Bylaws.

Article V: MBA Council Taskforces

Section 1: Purpose

The purpose of an MBA Council Taskforce is to form a team of MBA students & staff/faculty to help initiate, manage, and/or improve a particular aspect of the Ross MBA experience. These are considered temporary committees and exist for a limited period of time.

Section 2: Eligibility and Appointment

Eligibility and Appointment of Taskforce Officers shall be prescribed in the MBA Council Bylaws.

Section 3: Creating a Taskforce

The Times, Places and Manner of creating, amending or dissolving taskforces shall be prescribed in the MBA Council Bylaws.

Article VI: MBA Council Recognition of Student Organizations

Section I: Recognition by MBA Council

All MBA student organizations wishing to operate within the jurisdiction of the Ross School of Business shall be recognized by the MBA Council. All combined MBA/BBA student organizations that has an MBA President wishing to operate within the jurisdiction of the Ross School of Business shall also be recognized by the MBA Council.

Section 2: University of Michigan Recognition

The MBA Council recognition requires fulfillment of the University of Michigan Student Organization Recognition requirements in addition to requirements specific to the Ross School of Business.

Section 3: Requirements

For a student organization to be recognized by the MBA Council, it must meet the following requirements:

- The President must be a currently enrolled Ross Full Time MBA student
- Two thirds (2/3) of the Executive Board need to be currently enrolled Ross Full Time MBA students
- Two thirds (2/3) of the membership need to be currently enrolled Ross Full Time MBA students
- The organization's website must adhere to current standards
 - Current officer information, biographies, and events relevant for the year
- The club must have at least ten members, seven of whom must be Ross Full Time MBA students
- If you are starting a new Full Time MBA Club, there needs to be a position on the executive board specifically for an MBA1
- All Presidents must attend required training sessions

Section 4: Benefits of Recognition

The Benefits, Times, Places and Manner of determining club status and becoming recognized by MBA Council shall be prescribed in the MBA Council Bylaws.

Upon joining the organization, all members agree not to undermine the purpose or mission of The Ross School of Business MBA Council.

Article VII: Advisor

The Managing Director of the MBA Program at the Ross School of Business or his/her designee shall serve as the advisor to the Ross MBA Council, with the purpose of advising and guiding, acting as the institutional memory for the organization and acting as a liaison between the MBA Council and the school administration.

Article VIII: Membership

The membership of the Ross MBA Council is made up of the executive board listed above. In addition, The MBA Council Senate is comprised of the executive board and the section representatives that report up to their respective VP on the Executive Board. All Ross MBA students can exercise their participation in the MBA Council by electing the executive board and representatives from the MBA student population.

Article IX: Meetings

Section 1: Frequency

The MBA Council Executive Board shall assemble at least twice a month during the academic year at a time and location determined by the MBA Council President and with consensus of the board.

Section 2: Special Meetings

The MBA Council President may call a special meeting at his/her discretion.

Section 3: Combined Council Meetings

The Executive Board of the MBA Council shall assemble a combined meeting with the other degree program councils' executive boards (or delegated representatives) at least two times a year (ideally once a semester). The MBA Program Office will facilitate scheduling and working with all councils to coordinate.

Section 4: Responsibilities during Meetings

Responsibilities held during these meetings shall be prescribed in the MBA Council Bylaws.

Article X: Quorum

A quorum is the simple majority of the Executive Board.

Article XI: Amendments

Amendments to this Constitution shall only be made with approval of 6 out of 7 MBA Council Executive Board members in the manner outlined in the MBA Council Bylaws. Notification shall be made, upon enacting any Amendment, to the student body.

Article XII: Ratification

This constitution must be ratified by 6 out of 7 members of the MBA Council to take effect and shall be reviewed each year.