

Constitution of

LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY at INDIANA UNIVERSITY

PREAMBLE

The mission of Lutheran Campus Ministry at IU is to invite people in academic settings more deeply into Jesus Christ and the community that bears his name, so that they can discover and fulfill their vocation as disciples. This ministry has its roots in the Christian community gathered by the Spirit through the proclamation of the word of God and the celebration of the sacraments. Campus ministry provides a strong witness at the point where education in the church intersects the church in education. It provides an authentic experience in the life of the church for young adults on campus, inviting them into full participation with the church, even as their lives are undergoing change, challenge, and confirmation. Campus ministry seeks to grow the church by extending its work to an ever increasing number of campuses across the country. Lutheran Campus Ministry at IU is a ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (“ELCA”).

Article I: Membership

LCM at IU (aka Rose House at IU) allows any interested student to participate in, become a member of, and seek leadership positions in the organization without regard to arbitrary consideration of such characteristics as age, color, disability, ethnicity, gender, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

Article II: University Compliance

This organization shall comply with all Indiana University regulations, and local, state and federal laws.

Article III: Executive Officers

Lutheran Campus Ministry at IU shall be governed by an executive board in consultation with paid staff. The executive board consists of a president, vice president, secretary, and a treasurer. Executive officers serve one year and can be reelected in subsequent years.

The president shall serve as a representative for LCM at IU. The president is responsible for maintaining a positive and productive direction and for encouraging the spirit and motivation among the membership. The vice president shall perform the duties of the president in his/her absence. The secretary shall keep necessary records of all meetings and activities of LCM at IU. The treasurer shall maintain all financial records and administer all accounts of the organization.

Article IV: Advisor

The university advisor works in connection with the organization’s director to assure compliance with university regulations and expectations.

Article V: Elections

Elections will occur on an annual basis.

Article VI: Non-Hazing

Hazing is strictly prohibited. Hazing shall be defined as any conduct which subjects another person, whether physically, mentally, emotionally, or psychologically, to anything that may endanger, abuse, degrade, or intimidate the person as a condition of association with a group or organization, regardless of the person's consent or lack of consent.

Article VII: Personal Gain Clause

This organization, if raising funds, shall ethically raise and distribute profits from organizational functions to either the organization or to members who provide a service that directly benefits the organization. Individual members may not receive compensation directly from for-profit companies if acting as a representative of a student organization.

Article VIII: Voting and Amendments

Amendments or issues not specifically addressed in this constitution may be decided with a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of present active membership. A quorum of over 50 percent is required for voting.