

Regulations by USTC on International Students Clubs

Article 1 In accordance with the “Regulations of Enrollment and Training of International Students by Schools and Universities” (No. 42 Joint Directive of the Ministry of Education, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Public Security of the People’s Republic of China) and the “Regulations by University of Science and Technology of China for Management of Student Organizations”, the document is formulated to enrich extracurricular life of international students at USTC and to guide the organization and management of international students clubs.

Article 2 International students clubs are extracurricular groups voluntarily formed by full-time international students enrolled at USTC. The clubs aim to provide a platform for exchanges and mutual support, promoting cultural interaction and friendship among international students as well as between Chinese and international students.

Article 3 As the administrative body of international students clubs at USTC, the International College is responsible for reviewing, filing and supervising the establishment, personnel changes and activities of the international students clubs, and for providing necessary guidance, support and assistance to their activities.

Article 4 International students clubs should follow proper procedures to appoint students in charge. The students in charge must be selected from degree-seeking candidates who have studied at USTC for more than one year. They should be academically competent with good characters and no records of violation of laws or disciplines. They should have the readiness and ability to manage day-to-day operation of the clubs. The appointment and change of the students in charge must be reported to the International College for review, approval and filing.

Article 5 To establish international students clubs, written applications must be submitted with signatures by more than ten enrolled international students. The application includes but is not limited to the club name, purpose of establishment, organizational structure, and activity plans. The International College is responsible for reviewing applications and approving those that meet requirements.

Article 6 After the approval and filing by the International College, international students clubs are established and can carry out extracurricular activities as recognized student organizations. Publicity campaigns of international students clubs should be mainly orientated towards students on campus. Publicity materials can be placed in designated locations on campus with approval by the International College.

Article 7 International students clubs are subject to annual evaluation. The International College is responsible for reviewing clubs' activities, achievement and contribution and offering guidance to the plan for the next academic year.

Article 8 The establishment of international students clubs and their activities should adhere to the following principles:

1. Complying with the Constitution, laws and regulations of the People's Republic of China

2. Respect Chinese social ethics and traditions

3. Complying with the rules and regulations of USTC and follow the measures of USTC and the Academy

4. Not disturbing normal teaching arrangements and campus life

5. Subject to supervision by club members and USTC, clubs are not allowed to engage in business activities purely for profit.

Article 9 International students clubs must follow approval and filing procedures to carry out activities.

1. For activities carried out on campus, organized and engaged in by USTC students only, the students in charge of the clubs must submit activity plans to the International College in writing at least two weeks in advance. The plans should specify the activity name, purpose, organization method, time, location, number of attendance, publicity campaigns, safety measures, budget, and etc. Activities can be carried out after being approved by the International College.

2. In special cases, such as attending activities organized by external organizations (personnel), carrying out joint activities with external organizations (personnel), inviting Chinese students or students outside of USTC (including international students from other universities) and holding activities off campus, students in charge must report to the International College at least three weeks in advance. The clubs can participate in or carry out the activities after approval.

3. If international students clubs hold activities that invite foreign diplomats in China, the diplomatic institutions in China should apply in documents to the Foreign Affairs Office of the provincial government for approval.

Article 10 For international students clubs that have not been approved for registration by USTC, they are not allowed to carry out activities, or distribute and post publicity materials either on campus or off campus.

Article 11 International students clubs must not be affiliated with external organizations and must not carry out activities on behalf of any external organization.

Article 12 The International College will commend and award clubs and club members who contribute to physical and mental health of international students, their personal development, exchanges among Chinese and foreign faculties, development of international campus, and diverse campus culture.

Article 13 Organizers of club activities should be responsible for the legitimacy, safety and work procedures of the activities. In case of any violation, the International College can send warnings, suspend activities, require rectification within a prescribed time limit, cancel activities or revoke the club(s), and take actions against students in charge and participants of the activities. In case of suspected violation of laws, the International College will hand it over to the public security authorities.

Article 14 The International College is responsible for interpreting the regulations, which take effect from the date of issuance.