School of Architecture Graduate Student Association Constitution

# Article I: Name and Purpose

Section 1 This organization shall be known as the Architecture Graduate Student Association. Section 2 The purpose of this club shall be to promote the interests of graduate students in the School of Architecture.

## Article II: Membership

Section 1 Membership shall be open to all regularly enrolled graduate students in the School of Architecture. Section 2 All students are welcome to attend.

### **Article III: Officers**

Section 1 The elective officers for this club shall be:

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer

Duties of officers: President - faculty liaison, leads membership and officers meetings, should be a 2nd or 3rd year student V. President - student liaison Secretary - minutes, chairs PR (communications) committee Treasurer - chair of fundraising committee

additional officers: 2 representatives per studio (to be voted on each semester by the studio)

\*officers meet once monthly in addition to full membership meeting

Section 2 The officers shall be elected by the club members to serve a term of one year, beginning the first day of spring semester.

Proposed Election Procedure: 1- put nominations ballots in all graduate mailboxes, to be returned to ballot box in architecture office in Brooks Hall 2- interested nominees submit a paragraph about themselves (leadership experience? hobbies? propaganda?) to be posted in each studio. 3- elections to be held by ballot

## **Article IV: Dues**

## Section 1

Dues for the club shall be in the form of special assessments voted on by a majority of the club members present and voting.

## Article V: Amending the Constitution and by-laws

#### Section 1

Amendments to the constitution or by-laws shall be presented by members of the club in writing and read at a regular meeting but shall not be voted upon until the next regular meeting, and then only after informing each member of the proposed amendments. A majority of 2/3 of the members present and voting shall be required.

### **Article VI: Meetings**

### Section 1

The club shall meet monthly. The officers shall meet once monthly, one week prior to organization meetings, in addition to the general membership meeting. Committees will meet as needed.

Anyone wishing to make proposals for action at a monthly meeting needs to submit a request to the Secretary prior to the Officers meeting for that month. The proposal will be distributed to all members by email and voted on at the next monthly meeting with a simple majority of members present and voting required to pass.

### **Article VII: Committees**

Section 1 Service Committee Events Committee Public Relations Committee Mentoring Committee

### **Committee Duties:**

Service Committee - organizing community projects for members Events Committee - organizing social events, lectures PR Committee - open house, revamping grad handbook, assist in event promotion, communication across College of Design disciplines Mentoring Committee - organizing informal mentoring for 1st years, improving alumni relations and involvement with current students