The IDSA Constitution

*Article I: Name*

This name of this organization shall be the Industrial Designers Society of America at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

*Article II: Purpose*

The goal of the IDSA student organization is to promote the benefits, awareness, and value of industrial design on campus, in business and society.

* Facilitate design quality through professional development and education.
* Assist the advancement of our members in their student careers by

Introducing real employment value and opportunities.

* Encourage membership diversity and growth.
* Create a vital and expanding design community throughout the student chapter by facilitating the communication of the student body.

*Article III: Membership*

Section 1:

Membership is open to all registered students in good standing at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. All student organization members must maintain at minimum, a 2.0 grade-point average (on a 4.0 scale) to be eligible for participation in a Recognized Student Organization.

Section 2:

IDSA will not discriminate against membership of any individual based upon race, gender, religion, ancestry, age, veteran status, marital status, sexual orientation, income, physical ability or political ideology, unless specified in the governing document of the organization or pursuant to an exception recognized by University, local, state or federal laws / ordinances.

*Article IV: Officers*

Section 1: Officers of the Organization shall be as follows

* + - * President
      * Vice President
      * Treasurer
      * Secretary
      * Public Relations
      * Underclassman Representative

Section 2: Officer duties

President.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the student organization, has general supervision over the activities and events put forth by the student organization, and shall make all required appointments for events on and off campus through administration, faculty, and local businesses.

Vice-President.

The Vice-President shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the president in the absence or disability of the president. He or she shall serve as the chair for student affairs advisor board. He or she shall be responsible for such other duties as assigned by the President with the approval of the student board.

Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall be in charge of the organizations funds and maintain accurate and updated records of all transactions made by the organization. He or she shall collect all membership fees and organizational dues, as well as maintaining the organizations budget. He or she shall have custody of all papers involving finance and financial commitments, and shall turn over to this successor all the records and books of account, and all monies and papers belonging to this society that are in his or her custody and possession. The incoming Treasurer shall check the same, and, if found correct, shall give the retiring Treasurer their receipt there of.

Secretary.

The Secretary shall maintain membership directory, and correspond with university administration, other recognized organizations, and student body. He or she is responsible for all notification of the executive board and organization members of all meetings and events.

Public Relations.

As director of Public Relations he or she is responsible for promotion of student organization activities and events. He or she is responsible for maintaining communications and image of the organization by promoting the organization through social media and the distribution of event information throughout campus.

Underclassman Representative

The Underclassman Representative will recruit and represent the interests of underclassman members within the IDSA student organization. He or she is responsible for the encouragement of underclassman involvement and shall act as the voice for the organization of both the existing board and underclassman. This position is encouraged to be fulfilled by Freshman and Sophomore students.

Section 3: Elections

Election of officers will require a majority vote from general membership. The term of office will be one full academic year. Interested candidates must be enrolled, meet academic requirements, anticipate a full years term, and be in good standing with the university.

*Article V: Removal of Officers*

Section 1: Officers failing to fulfill the given responsibilities and duties may be removed by the regular members of the Organization.

Section 2: The removal of an officer requires a 2/3 vote of a quorum following the notification of the officer in question. Such notification shall be provided in writing no less than seven working days prior to the vote.

*Article VI: Replacement of Officers*

Section 1: In the case where the Presidential Office is vacant, the Vice-President will immediately fill the position.

Section 2: All other executive board positions found to be vacant shall be filled by election immediately.

Section 3: All other positions should be filled through appointment or election.

*Article VII: Advisor*

Section 1: The advisor of the Industrial Designers Society of America must be a faculty or staff member of the University of Wisconsin – Stout.

Section 2: The student organization advisor serves in voluntary or assigned capacity to the recognized student organization and provides guidance, direction, advice, and continuity to the members of the organization.

Section 3: The Industrial Design faculty of UW-Stout will select the advisor.

*Article VIII: Meetings*

Section 1: A regularly scheduled general meeting shall be held at least once a month. The officers may call additional meetings when the need arises.

Section 2: A quorum shall consist of 20% of the regular members.

Section 3: A quorum shall be present in order for any official business to be conducted. Official business shall include elections of officers, setting of dues, planning future events, and any other major decisions affecting the Organization.

Section 4: Parliamentary Authority will be utilized at all meetings.

*Article IX: Amendments*

Section 1: All amendments to this constitution require 2 week notice to being discussed and voted upon.

Section 2: All amendments require a 2/3 vote of a quorum for adoption.