

Constitution and By-Laws of Google Developer Student Club Lakehead University (“GDSC-LU”)

Article I

1. The name of the Club shall be Google Developer Student Club Lakehead University (hereinafter “Club” or “GDSC-LU”).
2. The Club shall conduct its operations under the constitution and by-laws of the Lakehead University Student Union (LUSU).
3. The purpose of the Club shall be the following, and all activities of the Club shall be conducted in the furtherance of this purpose:

GDSC-Lu is a student-led initiative supported by Google developers that seeks students from any academic subject, undergraduate or graduate. We were successful in establishing DSC for the first time on the Lakehead University Thunder Bay campus. Our main purpose for the club is to improve the educational, social, and cultural environment by inviting students from all backgrounds to expand their technological knowledge, to improve relationships between students and local communities by providing solutions, and to expand technological diversity.

Through understanding, utilizing, and reflecting on technology, DSC at LU will have an influence on and empower students. With the help of Google Developers, the DSC will organize educational sessions, hands-on workshops, and student-community collaborative projects centered on the latest and greatest in technology through a peer-to-peer learning environment. We will be hosting events and activities for all students throughout the academic year.

By-Law I — Membership

1. At least one-half of the members of the Club shall be Lakehead University students.
2. All Club members shall have the right to bring forward motions and cast a vote at the Club’s Annual General Meeting.
3. The membership of the Club shall be limited to the following:

There shall be no limitation on who may be a member.

By-Law II — Meetings of the Members

1. The Club shall hold a General Meeting once every three months for an academic year.
2. The date, time, and location of the General Meeting shall be set by the Lead (President) in consultation with the other Officers and announced to the Club members at least two (2) weeks before the meeting is to take place.
3. At an Annual General Meeting, at least eight (8) Club members (or at least five (5) if this Club is based in Orillia) or ten percent (10%) of Club members, whichever is more, must be present in order for the meeting to be able to proceed. If this minimum is not achieved (“quorum”), no vote taken will be considered valid. The Officers shall call a new General Meeting for the purposes of electing their replacements as soon as possible if quorum is not met.
 - a. If, after a second attempt at calling a General Meeting, the meeting is not able to achieve quorum, the Officers shall appoint their replacements for the next term.
4. The Annual General Meeting shall be chaired by the Lead (President).
5. All the Members are invited to apply for the next GDSC lead and can be selected as next campus lead as per Google Developer Student Clubs rules and regulation on their website.
6. At any time, a petition of ten percent (10%) of Club members, or ten (10) Club members (or at least five (5) if this Club is based in Orillia), whichever is more, can call a Special General Meeting, during which the Club members may make any decision affecting the operation of the Club, including replacing any or all of the existing Officers or amending this Constitution. The petition must be served to the Officers at least five (5) days in advance of when the Special General Meeting is to take place, and must include the exact date, time, and location of the meeting. The Officers must then e-mail all of the Club members and notify them of the Special General Meeting at least four (4) days in advance of the scheduled meeting date.

By-Law III — Club Officers

1. **Lead (President).** The Lead (President) is the chief executive of the Club and in that capacity is able to make decisions affecting the Club and its operations. So long as those decisions are made in furtherance of the Club's purpose and do not violate this Constitution or the LUSU Governing Documents or DSC's guidelines, they shall be considered valid and enforceable. Regardless of that, the Lead (President) cannot make any decisions that are reserved for the Club members (such as amending this Constitution for electing Officers), nor may the Lead (President) make decisions about

items that are reserved for other Officers in this Constitution, unless the Lead (President) has made good efforts to get in touch with those Officer(s) and has been unable to..

2. **Treasurer.** The Operation Co- Lead is responsible for conducting workshops and managing social events and also in charge of the Club's finances, and in that capacity, along with the President, is allowed to deposit and withdraw funds from the Club's accounts.
3. **Secretary.** The Vice Co-Lead is the Officer in charge of keeping the minutes of the Club's meetings, including the Annual General Meeting. The Vice Lead must record the meeting and pass them on to his/her successor. The Vice Co-lead shall prepare a report to the Club's members about the state of the Club's finances for presentation at the Annual General Meeting.
4. All Club Officers must be currently registered students at Lakehead University.
5. Any Officer is allowed to resign their position within the Club. The resigning Officer must notify LUSU and the remaining Officers of their decision before the resignation becomes valid. Resigning does not absolve the Officer of their responsibilities to LUSU or their Club members if there remain unpaid debts of the Club.

By-Law IV — Amendments

1. This document may be amended by the Club's members at any General Meeting that has met quorum (this includes the General Meeting or any Special General Meeting). A motion to amend this document must be passed by two-thirds (2/3) of members present.
2. Any amendments take effect immediately after the General Meeting is over.

Operational Policy I — Statement of Accountability

1. All Club Officers shall abide by this document as well as the LUSU Governing Documents and the Lakehead University Student Code of Conduct and the DSC guidelines. Officers shall make a good-faith effort to ensure that all their decisions are made in furtherance of the Club's purpose and in the best interest of the Club's members.
2. All Club Officers shall be responsible for all of their collective acts and deeds as well as the conduct of the Club members.
3. All Club Officers shall honour all agreements to which they or their predecessors agreed to, and shall endeavour to fulfill every obligation owed under those agreements.

4. All the Decision and club activities shall be run as per Google developer student clubs' guidelines and all the final decision will be held by GDSC-Lead / GDSC Manager.

Operational Policy II — Membership Dues

1. As a condition of Club membership, all prospective members shall make payment to the Club of the following:

There shall be no dues charged to any member.