

**Constitution-**  
**College Republicans**  
**Eastern Mennonite University**

**Article I - Name**

College Republicans.

**Article II - Purpose & Goals**

The creation of the College Republicans is to promote political engagement on the Eastern Mennonite University campus. This club is intended to create a space for conservative opinions but is welcoming to all opinions conservative or otherwise. We hope to create an atmosphere of cooperation between EMU students to better develop bipartisan conservation. In recognition of the political divide within the nation, College Republicans intends to promote ideas of cooperation and civil engagement to create welcoming and prosperous atmospheres on the EMU campus.

**GOALS OF COLLEGE REPUBLICANS**

- Participate in national, statewide, and local elections in the way of voter registration, establishing forums to explore candidate values, facilitating possible internship opportunities and assisting with campaigns where appropriate
- Collaborate with other political groups on campus and in the surrounding community
- Hosting guests and speakers to lead in discussion of current political events
- Promote political engagement through events on campus

**Article III - Membership**

Membership of College Republicans will hold no restrictions. Any student, faculty or staff of Eastern Mennonite University are welcome to join the club. Even though the majority of discourse and the majority of the topics that will be engaged at club meetings will be about conservative viewpoints and ideals, those beliefs are not required for membership of the club, as we encourage dialogue.

EMU does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, sex, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or any legally protected status in any of its school administered programs.

**Article IV - Officers**

Officers will include a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These individuals will hold office for one academic year, and hold, but are not limited to, the following responsibilities:

- President:
  - Conducts and operated meetings
  - Organized events
  - Meets and coordinated with potential speakers involved with conservative politics on campus
  - Ensures group adheres to this Constitution and Eastern Mennonite University's policies.

- Vice President:
  - Assists with functions of the president
  - Coordinate membership outreach opportunities
  - Work closely with other College Republican groups in the area
- Secretary:
  - Handles all group communication including emails, messaging, social media
- Treasurer:
  - Handles any monetary funding that is related to the groups
  - Handles money in an efficient and ethical way

## **Article V - Elections**

People can nominate themselves or others for open positions, and elections will take place at the end of Spring Semester for officers ending their year term. If there is a position that has become vacant due to resignation, that nominations will take place at the beginning of the next meeting, the election on the following. There is no limit the amounts of terms for any officer. During an election, whomever gets a plurality of votes will be the winner of said election.

## **Article VI - Meetings**

The content, location, and time of meetings is left to the discretion of the presiding officers of the club.

## **Article VII - Finances**

There are no financing regulations as of the writing of this constitution.

## **Article VIII - Advisor**

Advising is open to any faculty/staff that holds interest. The majority of the group functions are to be student-led. The advisor will serve to ensure group efficiency as well as certifying compliance to University policy and the group's constitution.

## **Article IX - Committees**

Committees can be formed where best fit. The group as a whole will determine formation of any committees.

## **Article X - Affiliations**

The EMU College Republicans will be open to affiliation with other likeminded groups from either other universities, public institutions, or private organizations. As a goal of the club, we would like to associate with EMU's Young Democrats and encourage bipartisan discourse.

## **Article XI - Amendments**

Amendments to this constitution will be determined where the group sees best fit. Proposed amendments are voted upon in a similar fashion to the way elections will be held. The ratification of amendments is based on majority vote.

### **Article XII - Ratification**

The EMU College Republicans constitution will be reviewed by all officers and members of the group. Once consensus has been reached that the constitution is complete, it will be ratified by the group.