

VictorCrypto Constitution: DRAFT

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1 Preamble

We, the members of **VictorCrypto**, do hereby establish this constitution.

2 Article I: Name

The name of the organization will be **VictorCrypto**.

3 Article II: Affiliation with other groups

VictorCrypto has no affiliation with the University of Michigan or other organizations at this time.

4 Article III: Mission/Purpose Statement

Section 1. Purpose: **VictorCrypto** is established for the purpose of encouraging students to be involved with their campus community and to promote an environment of learning.

Section 2. Mission: **VictorCrypto**'s mission is to provide a space to discuss, research, and study cryptographical and privacy topics.

Section 3. **VictorCrypto** understands and is committed to fulfilling its responsibilities of abiding by the University of Michigan policies and procedures.

5 Article IV: Membership

5.1 Active membership shall include:

Active membership shall be limited to persons officially connected with the University of Michigan as faculty, staff, or registered students. In addition, the following requirements are necessary to constitute active members:

- a) Attendance of at least 50% of all campus events during a given semester
- b) Active participation in at least one sponsored activity or event

Those non associated with the University of Michigan may join and participate in events but will not be considered "members".

5.2 Joining the organization:

Interested individuals may join the organization by attending a meeting, contacting a member, or contacting the group. To be considered active, the individual must meet the requirements outlined in Article IV, Section 1.

5.3 Member Withdrawal

A member may voluntarily withdraw from the organization by notifying the executive board of their desire to discontinue membership.

5.4 Non-discrimination and Non-disruption.

VictorCrypto is committed to a policy of equal opportunity for all persons and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, religion, height, weight, or veteran status in its membership or activities. Upon joining the organization, all members agree not to undermine the purpose or mission of **VictorCrypto**.

6 Article V: Officers

VictorCrypto will be governed by an executive committee consisting of officers:

- a) An elected President will preside at all meetings.

- b) **VictorCrypto** shall also elect a Vice President. The Vice President's duties shall be to preside at all meetings and functions that the President cannot attend.
- c) **VictorCrypto** shall also elect a Secretary-Treasurer who will handle all dues, accounts, new members, rule observances at state meetings, protocol, compliance with university policies, etc.

Additionally, the following officer positions may or may not be filled at any given time

- a) Head of Primitive Cryptography - Manages all things related to highly mathematical primitive cryptography. This includes finding and reading papers related to cryptographical primitives.
- b) Head of Applied Cryptography - Manages all things related to high level protocols cryptographical primitives. This includes finding and reading papers related to applied cryptography.
- c) Head of Policy, Privacy, and Ethics - Manages all things related to policy, privacy, and ethics discussions. This includes finding and reading bills and laws related to privacy, encryption, export laws and more. This officer is also responsible for promoting a culture of diversity, equity, and inclusion. Any moral or ethical objections to club activities made by this officer must be made directly to the President, Vice President, and all Advisors and a meeting must be scheduled with all officers to discuss and resolve the matter.

7 Article VI: Advisor

The role and duties of the faculty/staff advisor shall include attending meetings, providing counsel to the executive committee, and advising the organization on policies, decision making, and leadership development. A willing faculty or staff member can be asked to serve in the role by the executive board in consultation with the general body members. The advisor shall not vote on official organization business.

8 Article VII: Operations

I. Voting Eligibility:

Those members meeting all requirements of active membership as set forth in Article IV Section 1 and have attended at least 2 meetings will be granted voting privileges.

II. Election process:

- a) All officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the eligible voting members of **VictorCrypto**. All elections will be held on an annual basis during the month of August. Incoming officers will assume their positions one month after elections are held.
- b) The outgoing President will take nominations from the floor. The nomination process must be closed and the movement seconded. The nominated parties will be allowed to vote.
- c) All voting shall be done by secret ballot to be collected and tabulated by the outgoing Secretary-Treasurer and one other voting member of **VictorCrypto** appointed by the outgoing President. If the outgoing Secretary-Treasurer is a nominee for another position, they should recuse themselves of tallying ballots and appoint another officer to take their place.

III. Meetings

All meetings will occur on a weekly basis at a time selected by the executive committee and will follow the procedure set forth below.

- i) Attendance
- ii) Report by the President
- iii) Committee Reports
- iv) Vote on all committee motions/decisions
- v) Any other business
- vi) Dismissal by the President

9 Article VIII: Removal of Membership or Officers.

- I. Removal of Officers: Any officer of **VictorCrypto** in violation of **VictorCrypto**'s purpose, constitution, or who fails to fulfill their responsibilities as outlined in Article V, may be removed from office by the following process:

- a. A written request by at least three members of the organization.
 - b. Written notification to the officer of the request, asking the officer to be present at the next meeting and prepared to speak.
 - c. A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of eligible voting members is necessary to remove the officer.
- II. II. Removal of Membership: Any member of **VictorCrypto** in violation of **VictorCrypto**'s purpose, constitution, or who fails to meet the membership requirements as outlined in Article IV, may have their privileges as a member revoked through the following process:
- a. A written request by at least three members of the organization must be sent to the executive committee.
 - b. Written notification to the member in question, asking the member to be present the next executive committee meeting and be prepared to speak.
 - c. A unanimous decision by the executive committee members, in consultation with the advisor, to remove the member from the organization.

10 Article X: Amendments and Ratification

- I. This constitution is binding to all members of **VictorCrypto** but it is not binding unto itself. Amendments to the constitution may be proposed in writing by any voting member of **VictorCrypto** at any time via a pull request to this repository. The amendments will be placed on the agenda for the next regular meeting and voted on at that time.
- II. Proposed amendments will become immediately effective following approval of two-thirds (2/3) vote of all active members.
- III. This constitution must be ratified by two-thirds of all active members to take effect and shall be reviewed every 3 years.

11 Article XI: Statement of Compliance.

VictorCrypto has read and agrees to fully comply with the University's policies. We understand that the organization's registration is contingent upon acceptance of these policies.