LectureLink Terms and Conditions of Service

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PLEASE READ THESE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE ("Terms") CAREFULLY BEFORE USING THE LECTURELINK APPLICATION ("LectureLink", "we", "us", "our"). THESE TERMS CONSTITUTE A LEGALLY BINDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN YOU ("User", "you", "your") AND LECTURELINK REGARDING YOUR ACCESS TO AND USE OF THE LECTURELINK PLATFORM, SERVICES, FEATURES, CONTENT, AND FUNCTIONALITY MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH OUR MOBILE OR WEB APPLICATIONS.

BY CREATING AN ACCOUNT, ACCESSING, OR USING LECTURELINK, YOU AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THESE TERMS. IF YOU DO NOT AGREE, DO NOT USE LECTURELINK.

1. Eligibility

- 1.1 **School Email Required.** To register and use LectureLink, you must provide a valid school-issued .edu email address. We may require email verification during account creation.
- 1.2 Minimum Age. You must be at least 17 years old.

2. Account Registration and Verification

- 2.1 **Accuracy of Information.** You agree to provide accurate, complete, and up-to-date information during account creation and while using the service, including your name, major, hometown, and any other relevant data.
- 2.2 **Security.** You are responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of your account login credentials. You agree not to share your account or allow others to access LectureLink through your credentials.

3. Use of the Service

- 3.1 **Permitted Use.** LectureLink is intended to facilitate academic and social connectivity between users in shared classes. You agree to use the platform for its intended purpose.
- 3.2 **Prohibited Conduct.** You agree not to:
 - Violate any applicable local, state, national, or international law;

- Post, transmit, or share any content that is harassing, defamatory, threatening, abusive, discriminatory, or otherwise objectionable;
- Impersonate any person or misrepresent your affiliation;
- Engage in unauthorized scraping, harvesting, or reverse engineering of the platform;
- Interfere with or disrupt LectureLink's operations, networks, or servers;
- Upload malicious code, including viruses or malware;
- Use LectureLink to send spam or unsolicited messages.
- 3.3 **Course Roster Integration.** Course rosters are populated using publically available institutional data or manually added by users. You represent that your enrollment in a course is legitimate and that you will not falsely add yourself to classes in which you are not registered.

4. Class Page Features and Community Guidelines

- 4.1 **Group Chat.** Each course includes a group chat. By using this feature, you agree to maintain respectful discourse and avoid sharing or soliciting inappropriate, offensive, or unauthorized material.
- 4.2 **Feeling Meter.** Users may submit self-reported sentiments about their class experience via a slider. The aggregate average is displayed to all users in the class. This feature is for informational and social purposes only and is not intended to substitute for institutional evaluations or feedback.

5. User-Generated Content

- 5.1 **Ownership.** You retain ownership of content you submit, including but not limited to your bio, social media links, profile picture, and chat messages. However, by submitting content, you grant LectureLink a non-exclusive, royalty-free, worldwide, transferable, sublicensable license to use, display, store, reproduce, and distribute that content in connection with the operation of the platform.
- 5.2 **Moderation.** LectureLink reserves the right, but is not obligated, to review, monitor, or remove content at our sole discretion, including content that we believe violates these Terms.

6. Privacy and Data Collection

- 6.1 **Data Practices.** By using LectureLink, you consent to the collection, use, and sharing of your information as outlined in our [Privacy Policy] (insert link). We collect user data such as names, emails, course enrollments, device information, and usage statistics.
- 6.2 **FERPA** and **Educational Data**. LectureLink is not affiliated with or endorsed by any academic institution. Any access to educational records or data is user-provided. Users are solely responsible for complying with institutional policies and FERPA requirements.

7. Intellectual Property

- 7.1 **LectureLink IP.** All rights, title, and interest in the platform, including all content, design, software, and branding, are owned or licensed by LectureLink and are protected by applicable intellectual property laws.
- 7.2 **Limited License.** LectureLink grants you a limited, revocable, non-exclusive, non-transferable license to use the platform solely for your personal, non-commercial academic use, subject to these Terms.

8. Account Deletion and Termination

- 8.1 **By You.** You may request deletion of your account at any time by emailing **[EMAIL]**. Your account and associated data will be permanently deleted within 24 hours of the request.
- 8.2 **By Us.** We reserve the right to suspend or terminate your account and access to LectureLink at our sole discretion, with or without notice, if we believe you have violated these Terms.

9. Disclaimer of Warranties

THE LECTURELINK PLATFORM IS PROVIDED "AS IS" AND "AS AVAILABLE." TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, WE DISCLAIM ALL WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, TITLE, ACCURACY, AND NON-INFRINGEMENT. WE DO NOT WARRANT THAT THE PLATFORM WILL BE UNINTERRUPTED, SECURE, OR ERROR-FREE.

10. Limitation of Liability

TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, IN NO EVENT SHALL LECTURELINK OR ITS AFFILIATES, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, OR AGENTS BE LIABLE FOR ANY INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, SPECIAL, EXEMPLARY, OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THE USE OF, OR INABILITY TO USE, THE PLATFORM. OUR AGGREGATE LIABILITY SHALL NOT EXCEED THE GREATER OF (I) \$100 OR (II) THE AMOUNTS PAID BY YOU TO LECTURELINK IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS.

11. Indemnification

You agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless LectureLink, its affiliates, officers, employees, contractors, and agents from and against any claims, liabilities, damages,

judgments, costs, and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) arising out of your use of the platform, your content, or your violation of these Terms.

12. Governing Law and Dispute Resolution

These Terms are governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, without regard to its conflict of laws provisions. Any disputes arising under or in connection with these Terms shall be resolved exclusively in the state or federal courts located in Tompkins County, NY.

13. Changes to Terms

We may update these Terms from time to time. When we do, we will revise the "Effective Date" at the top. Continued use of the platform after such changes constitutes acceptance of the updated Terms. We recommend checking this page regularly.

14. Miscellaneous

- Entire Agreement. These Terms constitute the entire agreement between you and LectureLink.
- **Severability.** If any provision is found unenforceable, the remainder of the Terms shall remain in effect.
- Waiver. Any failure to enforce any provision shall not constitute a waiver.
- Assignment. You may not assign these Terms without our written consent.

15. Contact Us

If you have any questions about these Terms, please contact us at:

Email: LectureLinkTeam@gmail.com