

OpenUTD

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OpenUTD is a student organization dedicated to the teaching and advocacy of Linux, open source, and free software of all kinds.

1 Essentials

1.1 Member Qualification Clause

Membership of OpenUTD is available to all students currently attending the University of Texas at Dallas. Membership is available to undergraduate and graduate students alike and is not restrictive based on student major or field of study.

1.2 Non-Discriminative Clause

Membership may not be used as a means for discrimination toward the students of the University of Texas at Dallas based on a student's age, sex, ethnicity, religion, disability, or sexual preference. Further categories of discrimination may be defined at the discretion of the prospective members.

2 Managerial

2.1 Officer Qualification Clause

Undergraduate members of OpenUTD are qualified to be appointed officer positions within the organization at the discretion of the sitting officers.

2.2 Officer Authority Clause

The officers of OpenUTD share equal authority over the internal operation of the organization. External operations represent interactions of the organization with resources provided by the University and the Student Organization Center; authority over external operations are divided among the officers in compliance with the Student Organization Center's guidelines. The position of President is appointed among the sitting officers of the organization. The President is

responsible for representing the organization in situations that require it as well as appointing another officer as Vice President. The position of Vice President designates the successor of the President.

2.3 Officer Succession Clause

If the number of sitting officers for OpenUTD falls below the number required by the Student Organization Center, the remaining sitting officers of the organization will choose members to be promoted to officer positions.

2.4 Officer Meeting Clause

In ideal circumstances, the officers of OpenUTD are to meet once every two weeks at a minimum.

3 Principals

3.1 Free and Open Source Software Advocacy

All scheduled events and resources hosted by OpenUTD should be in the service of advocating or teaching material relating to free software or open source software as defined in the GNU General Public License, BSD License, MIT License, Mozilla Public License, as well as other licenses allowed at the discretion of the organization officers.

3.2 Axiom of Choice ★

Neither members nor officers of OpenUTD may persecute or discriminate other students (whether they be members of the organization or otherwise) based on their choice of software. There are no software requirements to become a member of OpenUTD, and members should never be pressured to switch to Linux or to use any particular software in order to properly engage with the organization.

3.3 Education Initiative

OpenUTD is responsible for providing resources to the students of the University of Texas at Dallas for teach the usage of free and open source software.

3.4 Community Initiative

OpenUTD is responsible for providing mediums by which students at the University of Texas at Dallas may communicate and share their interests in free and open source software.

3.5 Semester Project

OpenUTD is responsible for establishing and organizing an open sourced project each semester. It is not required to complete a project within the semester, however, it is required for one to be established. A project is allowed to be dedicated to the maintaining or the continuation of an existing project.