

# Constitution of the St. Cloud State University College Democrats

## Preamble

We believe building a better America lies in the ideas, values, and activism of Democratic College students. This activism includes campaigning in whom we believe, pushing forward the ideologies of the Democratic Party and working to transform our beliefs into action. As citizens and leaders of today and the future, we shall strive to shape our party, communities, states and nation. In this mission, we call for full participation regardless of sex, race, ethnic origin, religion, physical/mental impairment, socio-economic status, or sexual orientation. For these ends and upon these principles, we Democratic College students of Minnesota do hereby associate ourselves and adopt this constitution as the association of the College Democrats of St. Cloud State University.

## Article 1: Name, Affiliation, and Purpose

### Section 1: Name

The name of the organization shall be the College Democrats of St. Cloud State University.

### Section 2: Affiliation

The St. Cloud State University shall affiliate with the College Democrats of Minnesota (CDM), the College Democrats of America (CDA), the Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party (MN-DFL) and the Democratic National Committee (DNC).

### Section 3: Purpose

The St. Cloud State University College Democrats pledge to support the philosophies of the MN-DFL party. St. Cloud State University College Democrats pledge to adhere to the CDA Constitution and the rules set for the by the CDA. St. Cloud State University College Democrats declares its intention to support efforts to increase the participation of college students in Democratic Party affairs at all levels. To these ends, the St. Cloud State University College Democrats shall educate and train its members so they may be better able to:

- 3.1 Educate students about the philosophies of the Democratic Party.
- 3.2 Work with Democrats across the state to achieve the goals of the St. Cloud State University College Democrats, the CDM and the MN-DFL Party.
- 3.3 Work with Democrats across the country to achieve the goals of the CDA.
- 3.4 Lead campus organizations in efforts to have an impact on important policy issues facing our state, nation, and world.

#### **Section 4: Treasurer**

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to be responsible for all financial transactions of the federation. It shall further be the Treasurer's duty to be responsible to work with the Executive Board for the fundraising of the St. Cloud State University College Democrats.

#### **Section 5: Historian**

The Historian, shall sit with the executive board. It shall be the duty of the historian to

#### **Section 6: Parliamentarian**

The Parliamentarian, an honorary position appointed by the chair, shall sit with the executive board and give advice on parliamentary procedure upon request of the Chair. No voting power shall be given.

#### **Section 7: Ex-Officio**

The Ex-officio position shall be held by the previous year's Chair. The term of the Ex-Officio shall run for one year concurrent with the rest of the Executive Board members. It shall be the duty of the Ex-officio to carry out the duties assigned the Chair. No voting power shall be given.

## **Article 5: Chartered Campus**

#### **Section 1: Campus Goals**

As a chartered organization of the CDM, the St. Cloud State University College Democrats must be dedicated to educating its members about the philosophies of the Democratic Party. Membership is open to all students, as detailed in the affiliation statement.