

**INDUSTRIAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
BYLAWS**

ARTICLE I

Purpose

Section One. The purpose of the Industrial Advisory Council (hereinafter the “IAC”) is to promote and improve the AEC industry through advisement and support of the University of Southern Mississippi’s Construction Engineering Technology program in its quest to produce well-qualified graduates to enter the AEC field.

ARTICLE II

Membership

The IAC shall consist of individuals, corporations, and associations from Construction related industries. Members’ terms will be for one calendar year.

Section One. Individual Membership:

A. Current Students of Construction Engineering Technology:

Membership in the IAC is open to any current student of Construction Engineering Technology. No annual donation will be required for current students and this waiver of donation shall continue throughout the student’s course of study in Construction Engineering Technology and terminate at the end of the student’s first full year after graduation from Construction Engineering Technology.

B. Open Individual Membership:

Any individual who supports the IAC with an annual donation of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) will be a member of the IAC.

Section Two. Corporate Membership:

A. Any corporation active in the AEC industry will be a member of the IAC in accordance with the following donation structure:

Silver –	Annual donation of two hundred dollars (\$200.00)
Gold –	Annual donation of five hundred dollars (\$500.00)
Platinum –	Annual donation of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00)

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Section Three. Association Membership:

- A. Any association representing the AEC industry or its members that supports the IAC with an annual donation of two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) will be a member of the IAC.

ARTICLE III

Industry Advisory Council

Section One. The IAC shall be composed of the general membership as outlined in Article II of these By-laws.

ARTICLE IV

Board of Directors

Section One. The Board of Directors shall be composed of sixteen (16) members of the IAC. These sixteen (16) members shall be chosen as follows:

- A. The Chairmen for each of the IAC's Standing Committees as outlined in Article VI of these By-laws shall serve as a member of the Board of Directors; and
- B. The remaining members of the Board of Directors shall be elected at large from the general membership at the IAC's annual Spring meeting as outlined in Article VII.

ARTICLE V

Executive Committee

Section One. The Executive Committee of the IAC shall be nominated and elected annually by the Board of Directors at the annual Spring meeting of the IAC as outlined in Article VII of these By-laws. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the following positions as elected by the Board of Directors:

- A. Immediate Past Chairman
- B. Chairman
- C. Vice Chairman
- D. Secretary
- E. Treasurer
- F. School of Construction Department Chairman

Section Two. With the exception of the School of Construction Department Chairman, terms of office for each position on the Executive Committee shall be for one calendar year. To the extent practical, the Board of Directors will seek a candidate for

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Vice-Chairman who expresses a willingness to serve as Chairman following the one-year term of the current Chairman.

Section Three. A vacancy in any office, with the exception of the School of Construction Department Chairman, may be filled by the Board of Directors at any time and the officers so selected shall hold office for the unexpired portion of the term until a successor is elected.

ARTICLE VI

Standing Committees

Section One. The following Standing Committees shall exist within the IAC and shall be composed of a Chairman appointed by the Executive Committee and members of the IAC willing to serve and appointed by that Standing Committee's Chairman. In addition, the School of Construction Department Chairman or a faculty member appointed by the School of Construction Department Chairman will serve on the Standing Committees.

- A. Educational Accreditation Committee
- B. Membership Committee
- C. Fundraising Committee

ARTICLE VII

Meetings

Section One. The IAC will meet twice a year, once in the Fall and once in the Spring, at a place, date, and time determined by the Executive Committee. Dates for these meetings will be set well in advance and notice will be given to all members at least thirty (30) days in advance.

Section Two. Meetings of the Board of Directors will be determined as needed by the Board of Directors.

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ARTICLE VIII

Amendment of By-laws

Section One. Upon thirty (30) days written notice stating the proposed changes, modifications or amendments, the By-laws may be amended, altered or repealed by a two-thirds majority vote of the IAC Board of Directors at a scheduled meeting; or, if required, by telephone, fax or email poll.