



Center for Urban Resilience and Environmental Sustainability (CURES)

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this center shall be Center for Urban Resilience and Environmental Sustainability (CURES) at Manhattan College. Provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the institute shall be set forth in the bylaws.

ARTICLE II. MISSION AND PURPOSE

Section 1. Mission Statement. The center is dedicated to serving urban communities with a suite of research, education restorative justice and urban planning programs designed to improve quality of life for residents, especially for those in undeserved neighborhoods. The center uses urban ecology to empower communities to build resilient, vibrant, and just cities through meaningful interactions with their diverse ecosystems.

Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of the center is to provide an interdisciplinary approach that brings scientific research, social science analysis, and engineering expertise together with humanistic inquiry into the ethical and aesthetic dimensions of environmental thought, in order to imagine solutions for the environmental challenges unique to cities and their surrounding environments.

Section 3. Goals. The Center for Urban Resilience and Environmental Sustainability strives to:

1. Delivering environmental education and activities to raise awareness and action in all Manhattan College students
2. Advancing our knowledge of environmental problems and developing solutions through original research and community outreach.
3. Advocate for policies and resources that promote science-based stewardship of environment
4. Promote interaction and collaboration among faculty so as to advance knowledge and public awareness of environmental issues & possible solutions and promote learning and career opportunities for students interested in fields related to environment

ARTICLE III. STEERING COMMITTEE

The affairs of the center will be under the care and management of a Steering Committee and an appointed Director. The Steering Committee, which will be composed of faculty members, may authorize and direct CURES.



ARTICLE IV. MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Steering Committee members shall participate in the management of CURES by:

1. Supporting the CURES' mission and programs
2. Establishing goals, setting objectives, and creating policies
3. Identifying programs, issues, and opportunities for the college and community that are appropriate for CURES to address
4. Reviewing and evaluating CURES program effectiveness
5. Attending and participating in Steering Committee meetings
6. Adhering to the CURES' Bylaws

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

The Steering Committee shall hold minimum one meeting per academic semester at the time and place designated by the members. Meetings of the Steering Committee will be called by the Director and ordinarily, meetings will be chaired by the Director.

ARTICLE VI. AFFILIATIONS

The Center may affiliate with other organizations, schools and agencies as necessary to facilitate goals and in pursuit of its mission.

