

Bylaws for Campus Outreach at Elon University

Adopted by Leadership Team on May 1, 2019

Article 1: Name and Affiliation

The name of this community ministry is Campus Outreach. The Elon University chapter of Campus Outreach is affiliated with the international network of Campus Outreach collegiate ministries (www.campusoutreach.org) and under the regional oversight of Campus Outreach Charlotte (www.cocharlotte.org). Campus Outreach is an affiliate Community Ministry, not an Elon University program, that is authorized by the University to work on campus in accordance with Elon University policies.

Article 2: Purpose

It shall be the purpose of Campus Outreach to help students on campus be successful in their spiritual life. Each Campus Outreach chapter shall be dedicated to seeing students develop into mature Christians and spiritual leaders who fulfill their responsibility within the kingdom of God for a lifetime, both in college and beyond.

Article 3: Statement of Faith

The Elon University chapter of Campus Outreach affirms and follows the following Statement of Faith, developed by Christ Covenant Church (Mathews, NC) and including the official statement on gender and sexuality from the Presbyterian Church of America (2009).

1. We believe the Bible is the written word of God, inspired by the Holy Spirit and without error in the original manuscripts. The Bible is the revelation of God's truth and is infallible and authoritative in all matters of faith and practice.
2. We believe in the Holy Trinity. There is one God, who exists eternally in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
3. We believe that all are sinners and totally unable to save themselves from God's displeasure, except by His mercy.
4. We believe that salvation is by God alone as He sovereignly chooses those He will save. We believe His choice is based on His grace, not on any human individual merit, or foreseen faith.
5. We believe that Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God, who through His perfect life and sacrificial death atoned for the sins of all who will trust in Him, alone, for salvation.
6. We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells God's people and gives them the strength and wisdom to trust Christ and follow Him.
7. We believe that Jesus will return, bodily and visibly, to judge all mankind and to receive His people to Himself.
8. We believe God's intent and design in creation was that male and female would be complementary, that the privilege of sexual expression would be between a male and female only, and this expression would be only in the context of marriage. Therefore, any heterosexual or homosexual behavior or relationship that does not conform to God's design does violence to the human spirit and distorts God's intent for men and women.

9. We believe that all aspects of our lives are to be lived to the glory of God under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

Article 4: Membership

Campus Outreach does not have formal membership. Participation is open to all enrolled students in good standing. All students are welcome at any Campus Outreach events.

Article 5: Staff Leadership

The national or regional Campus Outreach organization appoints professional staff to oversee the local chapter at Elon University in collaboration with student leaders. All Campus Outreach staff must be approved by the Elon University Chaplain as Community Affiliates before they begin work with students. Campus Outreach staff are employees of Campus Outreach, not Elon University. They are subject to all policies of the Truitt Center for Religious and Spiritual Life and the University, which may review or revoke their authorization to work on campus with students at any time.

Article 6: Student Leadership

Section A: The ministry is led by a Leadership Team that consists of professional staff (Community Affiliates) and student leaders. The number, titles, and roles of student leadership positions will be defined and determined as needed by the existing Leadership Team. One student leader will be designated as the primary student contact, and one student leader will be designated as responsible for registering events and spaces according to University policies. Certain leaders will be designated to attend required periodic University trainings. The Truitt Center will be kept informed of current leaders and positions.

Section B: Student leaders must meet the following eligibility criteria:

1. Regular participation as a member in campus meetings, events, and conferences.
2. Embrace the Purpose of Campus Outreach as stated in these Bylaws.
3. Recognize and affirm Campus Outreach's Statement of Faith in belief and practice.
4. Attend "Discover CO" leadership training prior to assuming a leadership position.

Section C: Each spring semester students desiring leadership will be considered based on the stated requirements for eligibility using the following leadership selection procedure:

1. Those desiring leadership should participate in a "Discover CO" leadership training to clarify the purpose, statement of faith, and roles of leadership in the chapter. This meeting will take place weekly for three to four weeks and will be co-led by Campus Outreach staff and members of the student leadership team.
2. Following "Discover CO" leadership training, those desiring leadership will have opportunity to make an informed decision and commit to being a part of the leadership team via a commitment form. The form will provide opportunity for those seeking leadership to express why they want to be a part of the leadership team, how they envision serving on the team, and if they embrace the Purpose of Campus Outreach (Article 2) and affirm Campus Outreach's Statement of Faith (Article 3) in belief and practice.
3. Campus Outreach staff will review individual submissions and recommend candidates for the leadership team, following which the existing leadership team (staff and student

leaders) will vote to instate recommended candidates. In this vote, the leadership team will consider the character and gifts for ministry of each candidate; their commitment to the purpose of Campus Outreach; the maturity of their Christian faith and suitability for Christian leadership; their willingness to listen, learn, and participate with other members effectively; and their desire and capacity to grow in their faith and leadership.

Section D: Student leaders typically serve for one year or until their successor has been named. Each semester existing leaders will have an opportunity to extend their leadership commitment. Leaders are required to attend leadership meetings and to fulfill the defined responsibilities of their position (determined as needed by the Leadership Team). If a student leader fails to fulfill their responsibilities, to attend leadership meetings, or to participate regularly in the life of the chapter, or if they no longer meet the criteria for leadership (Section B), then staff may ask them to step down from leadership. They may be removed immediately by two-thirds vote of the existing Leadership Team. This vote may be initiated by staff or any current student leader.

Section E: The Leadership Team may create new leadership positions as needed. New positions or vacant positions may be filled as needed by majority vote of the Leadership Team.

Article 7: Finances

Campus Outreach staff are responsible for creating and maintaining a sustainable budget and for fund-raising, as needed, to support chapter activities. There are no dues for being involved with a Campus Outreach chapter. Students may be asked to contribute to the cost of retreats, conferences, and special events. The Campus Outreach Area or Regional Director oversees and audits the financial decisions of the local chapter and local staff.

Article 8: Religious Life Multifaith Council

A designated member of the Leadership Team will attend or be responsible to see that Campus Outreach is represented at scheduled meetings of the Religious Life Multifaith Council of Student Organizations and Campus Ministries.

Article 9: Amendments

These Bylaws may be amended by a two thirds vote of the existing Leadership Team. Any proposed Amendment must first be approved by the Truitt Center to assure compliance with Elon University and Truitt Center policies.

Campus Outreach Elon Leadership Team Commitment Form 2019

Completing this form is a commitment to be a part of the Campus Outreach Elon Leadership team for the 2019-20 school year! Thanks for desiring to Glorify God By Building Christ Like Leaders on the Campus For the Lost World!

Personal Info:

Name

Email

Phone Number

Short Answer:

- 1) Please share about your faith journey and how you see God working in your life. (I.E. Testimony)
- 2) What inspires you most about being a part of this team now that you've learned more about the ministry?
- 3) What areas are you most excited to serve in? Or what are some of your strengths that you would like to use on this team? (Event Planning, Small Group Leader, Marketing & Social Media, Etc)
- 4) Please describe the areas that you would like to personally grow and develop in. (From walking with God to general leadership skills)
- 5) What would you like to see happen within Campus Outreach on Elon's Campus?
- 6) Please Write a Short Answer explaining your commitment to the CORE leadership team. (Ex: I am committing to a part of this team because...)
- 7) Please Review The Statement of Faith Document Provided by Staff And Indicate Response Below (Select One)
 - I AGREE with the Statement of Faith Core Beliefs of Campus Outreach Elon
 - I DO NOT AGREE with the Statement of Faith of Campus Outreach Elon
 - I NEED CLARITY on some of the points made in the statement of faith, but still want to be on the Leadership Team
- 8) Please Review The Leadership Team Standards
 - I agree to live out the Purpose of CO Elon and The Statement of Faith to the best of my ability both in belief and practice
 - I understand that regular attendance at our core events and meetings is necessary in order to maintain leadership position, unless there are unforeseen circumstances.
 - I do not agree with these standards, or desire clarity before membership