



Material Advantage Student Chapter Bylaws Form

Section I: Name

- Article 1. The name of this student chapter shall be " _____ " Material Advantage Student Chapter of the American Ceramic Society, the Association for Iron and Steel Technology, ASM International and The Minerals, Metals & Materials Society.
- Article 2. This Chapter shall be chartered by the Board of Directors of the American Ceramic Society (herein after ACerS), the Board of Directors of the Association of Iron and Steel Technology (herein after called AIST), the Board of Trustees of ASM International (herein after called ASM) and the Board of Directors of The Minerals, Metals & Materials Society (herein after called TMS).
- Article 3. This Chapter shall be governed at all times by the provisions of The Constitution of ACerS, the Bylaws of AIST, the Constitution and the Rules for the Government of ASM and the Bylaws of TMS.

Section II: Purpose

- Article 1. The purpose of this Chapter shall be to promote among its members a self-sought increasing knowledge of metallurgy, ceramics, materials science and engineering and all its branches and to instill a professional pride in their chosen life work.

Section III: Membership

- Article 1. Any post secondary student currently enrolled in a post secondary institution shall be eligible for student membership.
- Article 2. A student member shall remain eligible for this class of membership until his/her principal occupation ceases to be that of a student or he/she no longer pays annual dues.
- Article 3. A student member enrolled at this institution shall be assigned to this student chapter unless he/she requests a different chapter or this chapter becomes inactive.

Section IV: Dues

- Article 1. The fee for Material Advantage student membership is set by the ACerS Board of Directors, the AIST Board of Directors, the ASM Board of Trustees and the TMS Board of Directors. The current Material Advantage student membership fee can be determined by obtaining a current Material Advantage student membership application.
- Article 2. The annual fee shall accompany any application for Material Advantage student membership.
- Article 3. The Material Advantage student membership year runs on the calendar year from January 1 to December 31.

Section V: Officers

- Article 1. The officers of this student chapter shall consist of a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and a Treasurer.
- Article 2. This Student Chapter shall elect, by majority vote of the chapter members present, a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer in the spring of each year to serve during the following academic year.
- Article 3. To be eligible for election, the nominee must be a Material Advantage student member or must have applied for such membership and must have been a member of a Student Chapter during the previous school term.
- Article 4. If the office of Chair becomes vacant for any reason during the elected term, the Vice Chair shall become Chair for the remainder of the term, thereby creating a vacancy as Vice Chair. Vacancies in any elected office other than that of Chair shall be filled by a simple majority vote at a regularly scheduled chapter meeting.

Article 5. At the annual election, there shall be chosen, from the faculty, a member of ACerS, AIST, ASM and/or TMS who shall act as Faculty Advisor to advise and counsel the officers.

Section VI: Duties of the Officers

- Article 1. The Chair of this Student Chapter shall preside at all meetings.
- Article 2. The Chair shall assume all executive duties not otherwise delegated to others by these bylaws.
- Article 3. The Vice Chair shall preside at chapter meetings or events in the absence of the Chair.
- Article 4. The Secretary shall keep records of each meeting for the permanent chapter records. The Secretary shall also be responsible for submitting brief reports of all activities for publication by ACerS, AIST, ASM and TMS.
- Article 5. The Secretary shall forward an Annual Report, prepared by the Executive Committee, to ASM Headquarters before June 1 of each year, summarizing the activities of the Chapter during the preceding year and listing the newly elected officers for the following year.
- Article 6. The Treasurer shall submit a Financial Report to the Chapter Executive Committee giving a complete accounting of the Chapter's finances. This report shall be appended to the Annual Report.
- Article 7. All Chapter documents, financial reports and funds shall be left with the Faculty Advisor for any vacation period when the college or university is not in session.

Section VII: Committees

- Article 1. The officers of the Chapter, including the Faculty Advisor, shall constitute an Executive Committee charged with the responsibility of the Chapter management, programming, reporting, and activities.
- Article 2. The standing committees shall include but are not limited to the following:
- a) Programming Committee - Plans, organizes and executes the chapter technical, educational, and joint professional activities.
 - b) Membership/Outreach Committee - Organizes and implements programs which promote student membership as a way to explore metallurgy, ceramics, materials science and engineering as a field of study and career path.

Section VIII: Meetings

- Article 1. Regular Student Chapter meetings, held at such times and places as the Executive Committee and Faculty Advisor shall determine, shall be devoted to educational, technical, engineering, or scientific purposes. The Chair or Faculty Advisor may call a special meeting at any time.

Section IX: Amendments

- Article 1. This Student Chapter may amend its Bylaws in any fashion consistent with the Constitution of ACerS, the Bylaws of AIST, the Constitution and Rules for the Government of ASM and the Bylaws of TMS. Such amendments, after adoption by two-thirds vote of the Chapter membership, shall be filed with the Material Advantage Chapter Program.

Section X: Professional Chapter Affiliation

- Article 1. This Student Chapter will be affiliated with the local ACerS Section, AIST Member Chapter, ASM Professional Chapter and TMS Section assigned by the respective societies. The assigned affiliation may be changed by proposal of either the Student Chapter or the regular Chapter and is subject to approval by each.

Section XI: Dissolution of Chapter

- Article 1. If for any reason this Material Advantage Student Chapter is dissolved, the Charter should be returned to the Material Advantage Chapter Program. All funds or other property remaining after payment of debts and obligations of this Student Chapter shall be transferred and divided between the four societies.