

NYU Stern Alumni Council Principles of Operation

Mission Statement:

As ambassadors, Alumni Council members actively engage NYU Stern School of Business alumni in support of the educational excellence of Stern; advise and assist the administration on alumni interests and opinions; and grow and strengthen the community among and between alumni, students and the School.

Council Makeup:

- Council members will represent a broad range of graduating class years/decades and degrees
- The Council will represent both graduate and undergraduate constituencies and can hold any of NYU Stern's degrees
- Maximum total number of Council members will be 26

Membership / Terms:

- Members will be ratified by the Dean's Office, in conjunction with the Office of Alumni Relations
- Terms of up to three years will run in accordance with the academic year - starting on September 1st and ending on August 31st
- Members will be donors to the Stern Annual Fund at the minimum level of Haskins Partner Giving Society (exact amount dependent upon degree and graduation year) throughout their service on the Alumni Council
- No more than 1/3 of Council members will roll-off in any given year, ensuring that the Council retains its institutional knowledge
- Members will not serve consecutive terms except in special circumstances
- Members may rotate off the Council for a minimum of a year and then be reappointed
- If a seat becomes vacant mid-term, Stern may appoint a member for that slot
- New members will be nominated through the Vice Chair of Recruitment & Marketing, in conjunction with the Office of Alumni Relations

Organization / Structure:

- The Alumni Council Chair, Vice Chairs, Committee Chairs and Members-At-Large will be appointed by the Dean's Office in conjunction with the Office of Alumni Relations
- The Council Chair will represent the alumni constituency with various boards/events, such as the Board of Overseers, NYU Alumni Association, Pre-Commencement, etc
- The Chair will be selected from members that have already served at least one year on the Council

Meetings:

- The Alumni Council will meet 5 times per year [4 meetings and 1 final dinner]
- Members who miss 2 consecutive meetings, 2 meetings in any given year, or 4 meetings in a three-year term are subject to removal from the Council
- Council members may attend meetings via conference call
- Meeting dates will be announced prior to the beginning of each academic year and will usually be held in September, November, February, April and May
- Meetings will start at 6 p.m. and run no longer than two hours

Active Members:

- To remain on the Alumni Council, members are expected to:
 - Maintain active participation in the Alumni Council's activities, attending at least 2 Signature or Regional events per academic year
 - Financially support the Stern School of Business and the Stern Fund by becoming a member of the Haskins Giving Society
 - Serve actively on an Alumni Council committee, programming sub-committee, or regional group
 - Miss no more than 2 meetings in any given year (in-person or by phone)
 - Miss no more than 2 consecutive meetings
 - Miss no more than 4 meetings in a three-year membership term
- Members can resign at any time for personal reasons
- Exceptions on membership can be made by the Dean's Office and Office of Alumni Relations

Committees/Task Forces:

- The Council will establish committee goals and task forces as needed and approved by the Dean's Office and Office of Alumni Relations
- Membership on committees and task forces will be open to all interested alumni
- Each committee will be overseen by a Chair
- Committee Chairs will be responsible for committee meetings, reports, events, new member recruiting, etc
- Guiding principles of committees and task forces are:
 - Each committee/task force will have a statement of goals
 - Programs and activities will be supportive of the mission of the School
 - Appointments and terms will run for one academic year – September through August
 - Members who miss 2 consecutive meetings will be asked to step down
 - A member of the Alumni Relations team will serve as a staff liaison for each committee/task force

Pillars/Working Groups:

- The work of the Council is concentrated around three main pillars/working groups:
 - Alumni & Student Partnerships
 - Philanthropy
 - Digital Connections
- Each Council member will be assigned to one working group per academic year
- Each working group is overseen by a Vice Chair; appointments and terms will run for one academic year – September through August
- Working groups often meet by phone in-between regularly scheduled Council meetings to discuss goals, initiatives, and progress
- Members can request to switch to a different working group at the conclusion of a 1-year cycle