

Constitution of the Mixed, Augmented, and Virtual Realities Special Interest Group (MAVR SIG)

Official Note: The official and most current version of this Constitution is kept at <http://mavr.site> and should be referred to for the most up-to-date information.

Article 1. NAME

The name of the organization shall be "複合・拡張・人工現実教育研究部会" pronounced "fukugou kakuchou jinkou genjitsu kyouiku kenkyuubukai" in Japanese and "Mixed, Augmented, and Virtual Realities Special Interest Group" in English. The abbreviation shall be "MAVR."

Article 2. AFFILIATION

Mixed, Augmented, and Virtual Realities Special Interest Group is a special interest group of NPO JALT (The Japan Association for Language Teaching).

Article 3. MISSION AND VALUES

MAVR exists to inform the world of immersive technologies in teaching and learning, to be a rational, fair-minded, and cautionary counterpoint to commercial dogma in this space, and to facilitate an inclusive community of people who share our mission and values.

Article 4. MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to any individual or institution interested in the study and application of mixed, augmented, and virtual realities in educational settings.

Article 5. EXECUTIVE BOARD

The MAVR SIG Executive Board shall be composed of at least the minimum required officers by NPO JALT regulations. The Board is responsible for the general administration of MAVR SIG and shall be elected according to the procedures laid out in the bylaws.

Article 6. MEETINGS

General meetings shall be held at least once a year, and the schedule and venue shall be announced in advance. Decision-making shall be done through a majority vote of the members present.

Article 7. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Financial records shall be maintained and managed by the Treasurer, with periodic financial reports made available to members.

Article 8. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Any conflicts of interest among board members or general members should be declared and appropriately managed as detailed in the bylaws.

Article 9. RULES AND REGULATIONS

As a subgroup of the NPO JALT, MAVR SIG is responsible for complying with the rules of our parent organization, as detailed in Article 4.

Bylaws of the MAVR SIG

Article 1. CODE OF CONDUCT

The Code of Conduct shall be in line with the values stated in Article 3 of this constitution and shall be available on the official MAVR SIG website.

We are a diverse group of researchers who are passionate about exploring and furthering research related to augmenting learning processes with emerging technology. We respect and celebrate our diversity, in fact we see it as one of our biggest strengths. We believe everyone deserves a safe, respectful, inclusive, and aggression-free environment. But creating such an environment takes effort and an awareness of self and others. So while we expect differences in opinion and points of view, especially with regard to our research, we strive to have a community of critical yet respectful voices. In conducting research in technologies that will likely have a high impact in shaping how we perceive the world and interact with others, we feel we must continually strive to a high level of mindfulness of how we interact with each other. As part of JALT, we value and follow the JALT Code of Conduct which can be found on the official JALT website, and we expect our members to be aware of it.

Article 2. INTERNAL PROCEDURES

All internal procedures and rules will be created and updated by the MAVR SIG Executive Board.

Article 3. AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

Amendments to the Bylaws may be proposed and carried out in the same manner as constitutional amendments.

This Constitution and Bylaws were approved by the Mixed, Augmented, and Virtual Realities SIG Executive Board on 09/14/23