

University of Illinois at Urbana - Champaign

United Greek Council

Constitution

PREAMBLE

We, the member organizations of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign United Greek Council, declare and affirm the promotion of culture, the enhancement of personal and professional development, a strong focus on service, and an emphasis on academic excellence in higher education.

We shall strive toward the implementation of our principles through programming and collaborative events;

We shall exercise the privilege of self-governance within our respective community;

Our efforts shall lead toward the ultimate success of our individual members so they may one day graduate our ranks with a deeper appreciation of inclusion and a stronger sense of self; and

We shall come together for a singular purpose of collaboration not as individual organizations but as one united council.

ARTICLE I

NAME

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the United Greek Council at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign hereinafter referred to as the Illinois UGC.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership shall be defined as a culture-based organization that is incorporated and has started and/or completed the council intake process.

ARTICLE III

OFFICERS & EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. Elected Officers shall be the President, Executive Vice President, Vice President for Administration & Finance, Vice President for Communications, and Vice President for Standards.

Section 2. Appointed Officers shall be the Director of Cultural Development & Advocacy, Director of Marketing, Director of Recruitment & Organization Intake, Director of Scholarship, and Director of Service.

Section 3. The Executive Board shall consist of the following officers: President, Executive Vice President, Vice President for Administration & Finance, Vice President for Communications, Vice President for Standards, Director of Cultural

Development & Advocacy, Director of Marketing, Director of Recruitment & Organization Intake, Director of Scholarship, and Director of Service.

ARTICLE IV STRUCTURE & POWERS

Section 1. The legislative powers of the council shall reside with the Parliament.

Section 2. The executive powers of the council shall reside with the Executive Board.

Section 3. The judicial powers of the council shall reside with the Standards Board.

ARTICLE V MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular General Body Meetings

- A. Regular General Body Meetings of the council shall be called Parliament Meetings and shall be held bi-weekly each semester.
- B. Parliament Meetings shall consist of one (1) voting delegate per chapter.
- C. Parliament Meetings shall be scheduled and attended by the Executive Board.

Section 2. All Council Meetings

- A. All Council Meetings shall be called General Assembly Meetings and shall be held once each semester.
- B. General Assembly Meetings shall consist of all members of the council.
- C. General Assembly Meetings shall be scheduled by the Executive Board.

Section 3. Special Meetings

- A. Special Meetings shall be called by the Executive Board with at least seventy-two (72) hours notice.

Section 4. Quorum

- A. Quorum for Parliament Meetings shall be fifty percent plus one (50% + 1) of the voting delegates.

Section 5. Rescheduling Authority

- A. Shall a need arise, the council President shall have the authority to reschedule the Parliament Meeting. Rescheduling of a Parliament Meeting shall occur within twenty-four (24) hours of the cancelled meeting.

ARTICLE VI COMMITTEES

Section 1. Standing Committees

- A. The standing committees shall be the Constitution & Bylaws Committee, Asian Resource Committee, and the Hispanic/Latino Resource Committee.

Section 2. Ad Hoc Committee

- A. The Parliament shall have the authority to form and dissolve committees not defined as standing committees.

Section 3. Task Forces

- A. The Executive Board shall have the authority to form and dissolve task forces.

ARTICLE VII ADVISOR

Section 1. The United Greek Council shall have an advisor who is a staff member employed at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign through the Office of Fraternity & Sorority Affairs.

Section 2. The advisor shall be selected by the Director of Fraternity & Sorority Affairs/Assistant Dean of Students.

Section 3. The advisor shall have the right to attend all meetings of the Illinois UGC, including the Executive Board meetings, council meetings, special meetings, committee meetings, and any meetings where UGC business is discussed. The advisor shall not vote during any meeting that they attend.

Section 4. The role of the advisor shall be to serve as a resource, provide advisory support and hold members and organizations accountable to rules, regulations and expectations.

ARTICLE VIII PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Section 1. The rules contained in the *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the Illinois UGC in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with this Constitution and special rules of order of the UGC.

ARTICLE IX AMENDMENTS

Section 1. This Constitution can be amended by two-thirds (2/3rds) vote at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Illinois UGC or a special meeting called to amend the Constitution, provided that the proposed amendments have been presented at the council meeting at least two weeks prior to the meeting in which they will be voted on.

Section 2. If amendments to this Constitution will be voted upon at a special meeting called to amend the Constitution, the proposed amendments must be submitted to all members by the United Greek Council electronically at least two weeks in advance of the special meeting.

Ratified: *April 30, 2015 by Parliament.*

Updated: *November 29, 2016 by Parliament.*

December 12, 2017 by Parliament. All previous versions are null and void.