

# The Constitution of the Interfraternity Council of the University of Georgia

# Article I - Name, Purpose, & Governance

Section 1. Name. The name of this organization shall be the Interfraternity Council of the University of Georgia ("Council" or "IFC").

Section 2. *Purpose*. The purpose of the Council shall be to serve as the self-governing body of men's general college fraternity chapters ("**Member Chapters**") at the University of Georgia ("**UGA**") and to provide services to these Member Chapters as they may determine.

Section 3. *Governance*. In all matters of organization and procedures, the North American Interfraternity Conference ("NIC") Standards and the UGA Code of Conduct shall have precedence and should be consulted.

# **Article II – Membership**

Section 1. Composition. The Council shall be composed of the undersigned Member Chapters. The General Assembly, established in Article III, may determine provisions for suspension upon a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote and provisions for expansion and expulsion upon a three-fourths (3/4) affirmative vote.

Section 2. *Rights of Membership*. The rights of membership shall include voting in all affairs before the General Assembly.

Section 3. *Duties of Membership*. The duties of membership shall include:

- A. Reverence to the Council's Constitution and Statutes;
- B. Being financially current on all accounts owed to the Council;
- C. Maintaining a roster of members; and
- D. Attending at least (85) percent of Council meetings the trailing twelve months.

Section 4. *Privileges of Membership*. Upon fulfilling all of the aforementioned duties, a Member Chapter shall be afforded the privilege to serve upon the Executive Board.

# Article III - General Assembly

Section 1. *Powers*. All legislative powers of the Council shall be vested in a General Assembly, which shall have the lone powers:

- A. To proscribe, and to levy fine or sanction in the enforcement of, rules and regulations concerning mutual interest amongst Member Chapters in the general administration of Council, recruitment, philanthropy, new member education, and risk management;
- B. To make provisions for suspension, expulsion, and expansion of Member Chapters;
- C. To establish dues, and to appropriate such funds in a budget; and
- D. To elect an Executive Board, established in Article IV.

Section 2. *Composition*. The General Assembly shall be composed of the sitting President from each Member Chapter. Each Member Chapter President may designate an alternative representative to serve in his absence.

Section 3. *Voting*. Each Member Chapter President, or alternate, present is vested with one (1) vote in all affairs before the General Assembly. The President of the Council, established in Article IV, shall cast a vote in the event of a tie.

Section 4. *Quorum*. A two-thirds (2/3) majority of Member Chapter Presidents, including alternates, shall constitute a quorum. Unless otherwise noted, a simple majority of a quorum shall constitute the General Assembly's decision which shall be codified within a set of Statutes.

Section 5. *Meetings*. The General Assembly shall convene every other Tuesday during the fall and spring academic terms, provided class is in session. The President of the Council may convene the General Assembly into a special meeting as necessary, provided due notice is given. The President of the Council shall preside over all regular and special meetings.

#### **Article IV – Executive Board**

Section 1. Powers. All executive powers of the Council shall be vested in an Executive Board.

Section 2. *Composition*. The Executive Board shall be composed of the following officers, who shall have one (1) equal vote in its affairs:

- 1. President;
- 2. Vice President of Administration;
- 3. Vice President of Finance;
- 4. Vice President of Recruitment;
- 5. Vice President of Risk Management; and
- 6. Vice President of Public Relations.

Section 3. *Eligibility*. To be eligible to serve upon the Executive Board, a fraternity man must be:

- A. In good standing with UGA and his respective Member Chapter;
- B. Maintain a cumulative 3.00 GPA throughout his term; and
- C. Remain an undergraduate for another full year after his election.

Section 4. *Nomination*. Nominations from Member Chapters shall be submitted to the sitting Executive Board.

Section 5. *Election*. Voting shall be done by secret ballot in a rolling manner, with a simple majority required for election. The sitting President of the Council shall preside.

Section 6. *Term*. The officers shall serve on an annual basis, beginning on the first Tuesday in the month of November, with a full term defined as one (1) year in length.

Section 7. Resignation & Removal. At any point during his term, an officer may resign from his office upon written notice or be removed from his office for non-, mis-, or malfeasance upon a three-fourths (3/4) affirmative vote of the General Assembly. In both cases, the President of the Council shall appoint a successor; however, should the Office of President become vacant, then Vice President of Administration shall assume the Presidency and appoint his successor.

### Article V - Amendment

This Constitution may be amended upon a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the General Assembly and approval of the President of the Council. A three-fourths (3/4) affirmative vote of the General Assembly shall override a Presidential veto of a proposed amendment.

### **Article VI - Reauthorization**

This Constitution must be reauthorized by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the General Assembly no later than December 31st of each calendar year. Failure to do so shall initiate a constitutional convention, of which the President of the Council shall preside.

### **Article VII – Ratification**

The undersigned Member Chapters have ratified this Constitution, which shall supersede all pre

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Jackson P. Wadsworth Alpha Gamma Rho	W. Elliott Stroud Kappa Alpha Order Stephen M. Durso, Jr. Kappa Sigma	Jøseph C. Lattin Pi Kappa Phi  Rolf S. Reynolds, Jr. Sigma Alpha Epsilon
Davis M. Hunt Alpha Tau Omega	William Will S. Dickson Lambda Chi Alpha	Justin R. Grissom Sigma Chi
Benjamin J. Pfieler  Beta Theta Pi  Jonathan P. Efferth	Seth D. Currie Phi Delta Theta  Davis J. Hardell	Bentt Porson Bennett R. Porson Sigma Nu Unita VeryA Christian K. Kerut
John W. Sant Chi Phi	Sean P. Mcilvane Phi Kappa Psi	R. Thomas Hills, Jr. Sigma Pi
Andrew S. Marshall Chi Pst	P.A. "Drew" Hoffman, III Phi Kappa Tau	Bradley H. Sharker Tau Epsilon Phi
Jay G. Bozza Delta Sigma Phi	William M. Welch Phi Kappa Theta	Zachary K. "Zach" Cassidy Tau Kappa Epsilon
Joseph Al Wargo Delta Tau Delta	Hogan E. Scoggins Pi Kappa Alpha	