

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
MULTICULTURAL GREEK COUNCIL
at the
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE

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PREAMBLE

We, the Multicultural Greek Organizations, have joined together to form this council known as the Multicultural Greek Council at the University of California, Irvine in order to better meet our individual and joint needs and voice our desires to the community.

By establishing this council we, the members of this council, will educate and serve the campus and the multicultural community through cooperation, communication, and participation.

Furthermore, we will strive to develop unity and provide support for Member Organizations. As part of the Multicultural Greek Council, we hereby agree to abide by the following Multicultural Greek Constitution and its bylaws.

Founding Member Organizations

Alpha Gamma Alpha
Alpha Epsilon Omega
Alpha Kappa Alpha
alpha Kappa Delta Phi
Alpha Phi Alpha
Delta Lambda Chi
Delta Sigma Theta
Delta Phi Gamma
Zeta Phi Rho
Kappa Alpha Psi

Kappa Zeta Phi
Lambda Theta Delta
Lambda Theta Nu
Pi Alpha Phi
Sigma Delta Alpha
Sigma Lambda Beta
Sigma Lambda Gamma
Sigma Omicron Pi
Tau Theta Pi
Phi Zeta Tau

ARTICLES

ARTICLE I: NAME

The official name of the organization shall be the Multicultural Greek Council, founded at the University of California, Irvine (UCI) on the 8th day of June 2009.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

- A. To govern, monitor, and coordinate member organizations so as to provide a means through which the organizations will employ a united and constructive approach to Greek Campus Life.
- B. To encourage and maintain a superior level of scholarship for members and member organizations of the Multicultural Greek Council.
- C. To foster and support the cultural enrichment of the community.
- D. To create a harmonious working relationship amongst member organizations.
- E. To provide a forum of discussion within the Member Organizations that address the needs of the community.
- F. To serve as a the liaison between the Member Organizations of the Multicultural Greek Council and University of California, Irvine Administration.

ARTICLE III: Structure

SECTION 1- Delegates

- A. Each Member Organization of the Multicultural Greek Council shall have one seat on the council. That seat will be a voting seat, which shall be held by an active member of the chapter. In an event of an absence, an alternate from the same chapter may be allowed to vote.

SECTION 2- Executive Board

- A. The elected officers of the Multicultural Greek Council will consist of President, Executive Vice President, Vice President of Communications, Vice President of Risk Management, Vice President of Finance, Vice President Scholarship and Vice President of Programming. These elected officers shall comprise the Executive Board.
- B. No Multicultural Greek Council officer may serve as a Member Organization's representative, unless they are the only representative that can fulfill the responsibility.

- C. All Executive Board members must be active members of a Member Organization in good standing with the Multicultural Greek Council and the University of California, Irvine (i.e. probation)
- D. The Executive Board shall meet weekly during the quarter and additionally as deemed necessary by the Multicultural Greek Council President.

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

- A. Any Greek organization may apply for membership.
- B. Member Organizations are required to attend 80% of all Multicultural Greek Council General Body meetings each quarter.
- C. Member Organizations are required to attend 80% of all Multicultural Greek Council endorsed events for the entire year.
 - a. Member Organizations must have a minimum 25% of its members attend each Multicultural Greek Council sponsored events.
- D. Member Organizations are required to attend the All Greek Conference.
- E. Member Organizations are required to maintain at a minimum 2.5 quarterly GPA and and 2.5 Cumulative GPA.
- F. Member Organizations must have a minimum 25% of its members attend at least one event hosted by another Member Organization each quarter, not from the same interest and not including socials.
- G. Member Organizations must be recognized by the University of California, Irvine Greek Life Office.
- H. Member Organizations are responsible for submitting an updated roster to the Greek Life Office each quarter by way of the grade report. Member Organization are required to pay dues.
- I. Membership in the Multicultural Greek Council will not be denied to anyone on the basis of race, religion, national origin, age, sex, disability, veteran status or sexual orientation.
- J. Failure to fulfill any of these requirements will lead to probationary status as outlined in the Bylaws Article IV Section 1.

ARTICLE V: ADVISOR

SECTION 1- Expectations

- A. The Advisor of the Multicultural Greek Council is a staff member who is knowledgeable in Greek Affairs at the University of California, Irvine.
- B. The Multicultural Greek Council's expectations of the advisor include the following:
 - a. Attend and participate in General Body and Executive Board meetings.
 - b. Sign forms related to scheduling events and disbursements of funds.
 - c. Advise the Multicultural Greek Council and Member Organizations.
 - d. Support Multicultural Greek Council events.

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS

SECTION 1- Meetings

- A. The General Body shall convene each week of the quarter. The time and place of the General Body meeting shall be determined during Winter Quarter of the previous year.
- B. The Executive Board shall meet once a week and additionally as needed.
- C. In an event of an emergency, the President may call an Executive Board Meeting.

SECTION 2- Voting

- A. Each Multicultural Greek Council Member Organization shall have one vote.
- B. Executive Board members do not have voting privileges in the council, unless they are representing their Member Organization, as referenced in Article III Section 2B.
- C. Each Member Organization representative must have been present at the previous General Body Meeting to be eligible to vote.
 - a. Exceptions will be considered if the Member Organization petitions the representatives of the Multicultural Greek Council for the right to vote.
- D. The Multicultural Greek Council shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.
- E. Two thirds (66%) of the Member Organizations in attendance must vote yes for a vote to pass.

- F. Quorum must be established to conduct a vote. Quorum is defined a $\frac{2}{3}$ of voting Member Organizations.

ARTICLE VII: FINANCE

- A. Member Organization dues shall be collected by the fourth week of each quarter.
- B. Each Member Organization's dues are to be based on the previous quarter's grade report.
- C. Failure to meet payment deadlines will result in additional fines.
- D. The Member Organization will be on probation if dues and late fines are not paid within four weeks of the payment deadline.

ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENTS

- A. Any proposals to amend the constitution of the Multicultural Greek Council of the bylaws shall be submitted in writing to the President.
- B. A proposal must be approved by $\frac{2}{3}$ of the Member Organizations to become an amendment.
- C. Amendments made throughout the quarter shall not take effect until the following quarter.

ARTICLE IX: EXPANSION POLICY

- A. The Greek Organization must abide by the Greek Life Recognition Guidelines of the University of California, Irvine.
- B. Any Greek Organization desiring to enter the Multicultural Greek Council shall submit a petition (in letter format) to the Executive Board.
- C. The Executive Board will vote to approve or deny the request.
- D. A presentation before the Multicultural Greek Council is required before associate status can be granted. The presentation shall include the following information:
 - a. The number of interested groups.

- b. Description of support available to the colony (i.e. managerial, financial, alumni national board, headquarters etc).
 - c. Sample of all literature and publications of the fraternity/sorority available to or for the use of the colony. This portfolio shall include:
 - i. Constitution
 - ii. By-laws
 - iii. Any other documents pertaining to the organization
 - d. The number of pending chapters (colonies, associate chapters) under probationary status within the organization.
 - e. A list of chartered chapters.
- E. A two thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote of the Multicultural Greek Council Member Organizations is required for entry into the Multicultural Greek Council as an Associate Member Organization.
- F. Associate Member Organization Period
- a. Duration
 - i. The term for the Associate Member Organization period shall be one year.
 - b. Finance
 - i. Each Associate Member Organization's dues shall be based on the previous quarter's Grade Report.
 - ii. Dues shall be collected every fourth week of the quarter.
 - iii. Failure to pay dues on time may affect the Associate Member Organization's expansion process.
 - c. General Body Meetings
 - i. The Associate Member Organization shall attend at least 80% of all General Body meetings each quarter.
 - d. Voting Rights
 - i. The Associate Member Organization shall not have voting privileges.
 - e. Events (Associate Member Organization)
 - i. The Associate Member Organization shall have at least 25% of active members attend:
 - 1. Three different types of events (social, philanthropy, fundraisers etc) sponsored by a Member Organization each quarter.
 - ii. Each Event must be hosted by three different sponsoring Member Organizations.
 - iii. Proof of attendance must be signed by a member of the sponsoring Member Organization's Executive Board.
 - f. Events (Multicultural Greek Council)

- i. The Associate Member Organization shall have 25% of their active members attend the events hosted or endorsed by the Multicultural Greek Council.
 - ii. The Associate Member Organization may be absent from two (2) events hosted or endorsed by the Multicultural Greek Council during their Associate Member period.
 - g. Mandatory Programming
 - i. The Associate Member Organization must host one event per quarter.
 - ii. The event must reflect either the Associate Member Organization's principles or the principles of the Multicultural Greek Council.
 - 1. Cultural Awareness
 - 2. Community Service
 - 3. Fundraising
 - 4. Academic
 - iii. The Associate Member Organization can choose to co-sponsor these events with a Member Organization.
- G. The Associate Member Organization may petition the Executive Board for Member Organization status after one year as an Associate Member Organization.
- H. The Executive Board shall schedule a date for the Associate Member Organization to present to the Member Organizations at a General Body Meeting.
- I. The Associate Member Organization shall make a final presentation to the Member Organizations that will include:
- a. A letter of recommendation from the Executive Board.
 - b. A summary of events hosted and attended by the Associate Member Organization.
 - c. How the Associate Member Organization feels they will positively impact the Multicultural Greek Council.
- J. A two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) majority vote of the Multicultural Greek Council is required to gain Membership Organization status in the Multicultural Greek Council.