

**CONSTITUTION  
OF THE INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL  
THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY  
COLUMBUS, OHIO**

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## **ARTICLE I Name**

The name of this organization is the Interfraternity Council of The Ohio State University and may be abbreviated as IFC.

## **ARTICLE II Mission Statement**

The Interfraternity Council is the self-governing body of the social, undergraduate fraternity community at The Ohio State University. Its purpose is to provide informational resources to the undergraduate men's social fraternities through internal communication of the services, programs and operations of the undergraduate men's fraternities at The Ohio State University.

As the governing body of the men's undergraduate social fraternities at The Ohio State University, we are committed to the following goals:

- To make our organization the model student organization at The Ohio State University, and
- To be leaders in addressing the problems facing the University community and in serving the needs of the Columbus community, and
- To strive for the ideals on which our member organizations were founded, and
- To foster friendship in an atmosphere that values the ideas and worth of every person while not excluding any qualified student, and
- To educate our members in citizenship and social skills necessary to succeed in life.

This vision will direct us in our role as a leader among student organizations at our campus and commit us to strive to achieve our goals.

## **ARTICLE III Powers**

The Interfraternity Council shall be composed of three branches: the legislative branch known as the Interfraternity Presidents' Council (IPC), the executive branch known as the Interfraternity Council Executive Board, and the judicial branch known as the Interfraternity Judicial Commission (IJC). There will also exist a board of directors. Rulings of the Interfraternity Council, as the representative body of the Interfraternal community, shall be binding on all member chapters unless specifically waived by formal action of the Interfraternity Council.

Section A. Composition of the Interfraternity Presidents' Council (IPC)

1. The President or chapter-designated delegate of each member fraternity is a voting member of the IPC. In the event of a tie, the IFC President shall be the deciding voter.
2. The Interfraternity Council Executive Board and the Board of Directors shall be non-voting members of the IPC.

Section B. Composition of the Executive Board.

1. President;
2. Vice President of Administration;
3. Vice President of Finance;
4. Vice President of Marketing;
5. Vice President of Recruitment and Retention.

Section C. Composition of the Board of Directors

1. Director of Risk Management;
2. Director of Scholarship and New Member Education;
3. Director of Service and Philanthropy;
4. Director of Technology;
5. Director of Greek Events;
6. Director(s) of Recruitment;
7. Director(s) of Marketing.

Section D. Composition of the Interfraternity Judicial Commission (IJC).

1. The voting members of the IJC shall be the Chief Justice and four member justices, and the non-voting members shall be two alternative justices.
2. All members of the IJC shall be from different member fraternities.
3. An IJC member may not be a member of the IFC Executive Board or Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE IV Membership**

### Section A. Eligibility.

1. The membership of the IFC shall include all undergraduate social fraternities with mutually exclusive membership.
2. Excluded shall be all honorary, professional, service, and women's fraternities.
3. This shall not apply retroactively to automatically exclude any chapter belonging to the IFC as of January 1, 1975.
4. Fraternities wishing to become members of the IFC must be undergraduate social fraternities as defined above, and
5. Be officially registered as a student organization at The Ohio State University, and
6. Submit formal application for candidacy for the IFC to the Executive board. IFC will present its recommendation to the IPC at the next regularly scheduled meeting, and
7. Be accepted by a seventy-five percent vote of the entire membership of the IPC.

### Section B. Privileges of a member.

A member of IFC shall:

1. Have all privileges and rights under this Constitution and Bylaws, except as limited by the actions of the IJC or The Ohio State University;
2. Receive coverage equal to other members in all IFC publications that list or describe member fraternities;
3. and may;
  - a. Participate in all IFC sponsored programs;
  - b. Vote at meetings of the IPC;
  - c. Participate in the fraternity division of intramural sports;
  - d. Have its members, as they are eligible, hold executive and appointed offices of the IFC;
  - e. Receive IFC sponsored awards and recognitions.

### Section C. Duties of a member.

A member must:

1. Pay all dues and fees owed to the IFC;
2. Abide by this Constitution and Bylaws as well as all regulations adopted by the IPC;
3. Cooperate in any proceedings of the IJC with which it may be involved and abide by all IJC rulings affecting it;
4. Cooperate with all administrative actions of the Board of Directors of IFC;

5. Maintain an updated list of its current members, officers, advisers, and corporation board members in the office of Ohio Union & Student Activities
6. File in the office of Ohio Union & Student Activities the name of each new member, and update the new member's status when there is a change in that status;
7. Maintain an updated file of grade release cards in the office of Ohio Union & Student Activities
8. Maintain at least a 2.0 cumulative grade point average each quarter, summer quarter excluded;
9. Abide by all University and IFC regulations and policies;
10. Encourage scholarship, service, and leadership among its members.

## **ARTICLE V Standing**

### Section A. Good Standing.

A member fraternity that satisfies Article IV, Section C of this Constitution is in good standing with the IFC.

### Section B. Loss of Good Standing.

A member fraternity may lose its good standing with the IFC if it is found guilty of violating any part of Article IV, Section C.

### Section C. Consequences of Loss of Good Standing.

In accordance with the IJC, a member fraternity that loses its good standing could be expelled from the IFC or could lose some or all of its privileges as granted by this Constitution and Bylaws.

### Section D. Quorum.

The presence of delegates from 2/3 of the member fraternities shall constitute a quorum. Quorum is necessary for any new legislation or revisions of these Constitution & By-laws to be passed.

**ARTICLE VI**  
**Discipline and Expulsion**

A member fraternity that is found in violation of this Constitution and Bylaws or any regulation of administrative action may lose its good standing or may be expelled from IFC in accordance with the Bylaws pertaining to the IJC.

**ARTICLE VII**  
**IFC Advisor**

The IFC Advisor(s) is/are appointed by the office of Ohio Union & Student Activities. The adviser(s) may attend all session of the IPC, Executive Board, Board of Directors, IJC, and shall remain informed of all IFC business.

**ARTICLE VIII**  
**Amendments**

Section A. Right to Introduce Amendments.

Any member fraternity in good standing may introduce an amendment to the Constitution or By-Laws.