

**INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL OF
STATE UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA CONSTITUTION**

PREAMBLE

We, the members of the men's Greek letter social fraternities of the State University of West Georgia, realizing the benefits occurring from fraternal association, in an effort to strengthen and perpetuate the fraternity system and advance its ideals, do hereby establish and agree to abide by this the Constitution and By-laws of the State University of West Georgia Interfraternity Council.

ARTICLE I

Name and Objective

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Interfraternity Council (IFC) of the State University of West Georgia.

Section 2. The mission of the IFC will be to act as a governing body for the fraternities of UWG Campus; to promote and maintain high scholastic, social and personal standards; to foster the cooperation between the member fraternities, the University and the community; to provide a forum for discussion of issues pertaining to the Greek system; and to provide leadership by example for the Greek community.

ARTICLE II

Membership

Section 1. The IFC shall consist of all duly chartered men's Greek letter social fraternities that are members of a nationally affiliated group recognized by the North American Interfraternity Conference (NIC) or the national Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC). No local groups not affiliated with the NIC or NPHC shall be eligible for membership in the IFC. The fraternities to be represented shall be restricted to those men's chartered national social fraternities registered by the State University of West Georgia.

Section 2. Colonies or probationary chapters that are members of a nationally affiliated group recognized by NIC or NPHC, and recognized interest groups shall be considered nonvoting members of the IFC until such a time as they have achieved full charter status.

Section 3. A simple majority vote of the current membership is needed to grant membership within the IFC. Fraternities that have been invited by the IFC to colonize at UWG shall be granted membership automatically upon chartering.

ARTICLE III

Legislative

Section 1. The power to execute the IFC Constitution and its By-laws shall be vested in the Executive Council of the IFC. The Executive Council will consist of all elected officers of the IFC. All elected officers shall be voting members of the IFC Executive Council.

Section 2. The officers of the IFC will consist of the following: President, Vice President of Educational Programs, Vice President of Recruitment, Vice President of Risk Management, Vice President of Scholarship, Vice President of Public Relations, Vice President of Philanthropy and Community Service, and Vice President of Administrative Affairs.

Section 3. Legislative power of the IFC shall be vested in the General Assembly of the IFC. The General Assembly shall consist of the representatives of each chapter as prescribed in the By-laws of this Constitution.

Section 4. The Executive Council shall be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the IFC. All decisions made outside of the regular business meeting must be reported to General Assembly at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Section 5. To amend the constitution or by-laws, a 2/3 majority of all voting delegates of the General Assembly will be required.

ARTICLE IV

Officers: Elections, Appointments, and Qualifications

Section 1. The executive council of the IFC shall consist of the President, Vice President of Educational Programs, Vice President of recruitment, Vice President of Risk Awareness, Vice President of Scholarship, Vice President of Public Relations, Vice President of Philanthropy and Community service, and Vice President of Administrative affairs. All officers shall be elected for one-year terms. Elections shall be prior to the end of the fall semester.

Section 2. Chapter presidents are ineligible to serve as officers.

Section 3. No more than two members from a single chapter may hold elected office in the IFC. Each chapter shall be represented on the Executive Council unless a chapter declines to hold a position or the chapter had no members eligible for office.

Section 4. To be slated for and hold office a person must have, and maintain a 2.2 cumulative GPA and be enrolled in not less than 10 credit hours. He must be an initiated member of his fraternity in good standing as defined by his respective chapter. Each chapter will be required to make the Assistant Director of Student Activities for Greek Life aware should their members' standing change for any reason. If any officer falls below a 2.2 cumulative GPA, fails to maintain 10 credit hours or is found not to be in good standing with his chapters, that officer shall be required to resign from his position.

Section 5. IFC Executive Council Retreats shall be established prior to elections and shall be a mandatory requirement for standing office. Failure to attend may result in the dismissal of the officer in question upon discretion of the IFC Executive Council.

Section 6. Any member meeting the above Criteria shall be allowed to file to be slated for office.

Section 7. Officers missing more than one IFC General Assembly meeting or more than two meetings where the Executive Council as a whole is required to attend, as decided by the IFC President in a prior meeting shall be removed from office. Officers shall also be required to serve on the IFC Rush Staff.

Section 8. Selection of officers shall be by a slate selected by the outgoing IFC Executive Council and approved by the IFC general assembly. Filing for office shall be opened following at the midterm IFC General Assembly meeting during the fall semester. Filing for elections shall close one week later. The IFC Council shall review all applications and, if deemed necessary, interview candidates for office. The IFC executive Council shall present a completed slate of the IFC General Assembly at the second meeting in November for approval.

Section 9. Newly selected officers shall take office at the first meeting following their selection/appointment.

Section 10. If an officer resigns from his position, the position will be declared vacant at the next regularly scheduled IFC General Assembly meeting. The IFC executive Council shall fill all vacancies by appointment. Appointments are subject to approval by the IFC General Assembly if challenged.

Section 11. Any voting member of the General Assembly may challenge a vacant position that has been filled by the Executive Council and may have that position over turned with a 2/3 vote from the General Assembly.

Article V

Affiliation, Disassociation and Representation.

Section 1. No man shall be allowed to affiliate with a fraternity unless he is a fully matriculated student at UWG and meets the requirements for pledgeship set forth by the Office of Student Activities.

Section 2. Any man who affiliates with a fraternity but then disassociates during the semester for any reason or is asked to disassociate by the fraternity shall be ineligible to associate with any other fraternity for the remainder of that semester plus one additional semester, excluding summer. The prospective affiliate shall not associate with any other group unless financial obligations with the previous fraternity have met or resolved in a mutually agreeable manner.

Section 3. Any man who has fully initiated into a fraternity may not join another fraternity regardless of whether he has been released by their national organization.

Section 4. Only undergraduate members may appear on a chapter's roster; graduate members are allowed to remain on a chapter's roster if their national organization allows them to do so and they are enrolled in at least 6 credit hours.

Section 5. Only undergraduate members that have a 2.0 cumulative GPA and are maintaining 10 credit hours may represent the chapter in any way, except intramural sports. Graduating seniors, in their final semester must maintain at least 6 credit hours. Intramural participation shall be in accordance with the policies established by the UWG Intramural Department.

Section 6. Any man initiated in another national fraternity not represented on the UWG campus is allowed to affiliate with a fraternity on this campus.

Section 7. A social affiliate must be a UWG student and may not belong to any other national fraternity represented on the UWG campus. Individual chapters will regulate social affiliation.