

**Multicultural Greek Council Constitution**  
**University of Michigan**  
**Amended: 2.27.08**

**Article I – Name**

The name of this organization shall be Multicultural Greek Council of the University of Michigan, which will be abbreviated as MGC.

**Article II – Purposes, Powers, and Scope of Authority**

**SECTION 1. Purpose**

- A. The purpose of the Multicultural Greek Council shall be to serve all MGC organizations as a support group in their events and communities, to promote multiculturalism awareness and to improve relations among all campus greeks.

**SECTION 2. Powers**

- A. To formulate any rules, policies and programs necessary to regulate Council matters.
- B. To administer and enforce the constitution, bylaws, policies and regulations established by MGC.
- C. To enact bylaws and to amend them.
- D. To implement resolutions, policies, and programs.

**SECTION 3. Scope of Authority**

- A. The scope of the authority for the MGC shall be, administrative, advisory, judicial and legislative. Authority for the MGC is derived through recognition by the University.

**Article III – Structure**

**SECTION 1. Membership Chapters**

- A. Membership chapters of the MGC shall be comprised of recognized college/university national & local fraternities/sororities and each shall be a registered student group with the Student Organization and Recognition (SOAR).

**SECTION 2. General Council**

- A. There shall be a General Council consisting of two delegates with at least one consistent delegate from each Membership Chapter, which shall have final authority on all matters related to this Council.

**SECTION 3. Executive Board**

- A. There shall be an Executive Board, subject in all respects to the General Council.

**Article IV – Membership**

## **SECTION 1. Founding Chapters**

- A. The founding Membership Chapters for the Multicultural Greek Council shall include: Alpha Iota Omicron Fraternity, Inc., alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority, Inc., Delta Nu Epsilon, Lambda Phi Epsilon National Fraternity, Inc., Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Inc., Lambda Theta Phi Fraternidad Latina, Inc., Pi Alpha Phi Fraternity, Inc., Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity, Inc., Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc., and Zeta Sigma Chi Multicultural Sorority, Inc.

## **SECTION 2. Active Chapters**

- A. Active Membership Chapters shall be ones which abide by this constitution and have satisfied all payments of dues and fines.
- B. Active Chapters are listed in Article IV Section 1.a

## **SECTION 3. Inactive Chapters**

- A. Inactive chapters are chapters that are unable to carry out their duties as an active chapter to MGC as stated in Article IV Section 2, but are potentially going to return

## **SECTION 4. Disaffiliate Chapters**

- A. Disaffiliate Membership Chapters shall be ones that have violated any constitutional component, or failed to pay required dues or fines, or ones that have been inactive for three years. A chapter can also choose to disaffiliate its status with MGC.

## **SECTION 5. Interest Chapters or Colonies**

- A. Interest Chapters or Colonies are those groups that have expressed an interest in becoming part of the MGC, and are taking the necessary steps to become an Active Chapter. Interest Chapters or Colonies must be registered as a student group with SOAR and must also be initiated and recognized by their National Councils, if one exists.

## **SECTION 6. Associate Chapters**

- A. Associate Chapters are those groups that have completed the Interest Chapter term but have not yet been voted in as a Membership Chapter. Associate Chapters must be registered as a student group with SOAR and must also be recognized by their National Councils, if one exists.

## **Article V– Executive Board**

### **SECTION 1.- Structure**

- A. The Executive Board shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Programming Chair, Publicity Chair, and Historian.

## **SECTION 2. Elections**

- A. The Executive Board shall be elected by the Membership Chapters as stated in Article 1 Section 2.a of the bylaws, with each Membership Chapter allowed one vote.

## **Article VI – Meetings**

### **SECTION 1. Timing**

- A. The General Council shall meet weekly. The Executive Board shall determine time and place of the Council Meeting with approval by the General Council.

### **SECTION 2. Emergency Meeting**

- A. The Executive Board may call an emergency council meeting with 48 hours advanced notice.

### **SECTION 3. Business**

- A. In order for regular business to be conducted, **MGC** meetings must meet the following criteria;
  - i. The MGC President and Secretary or their designated replacement must be on hand to officially run and record the meeting.
  - ii. One-half of Membership Chapters must be present to vote.

### **SECTION 4.**

- A. Quorum of the present Membership Chapters shall determine all motions.

### **SECTION 5.**

- A. Each chapter is entitled to one vote.

## **Article VII – Finance**

### **SECTION 1. Purpose**

- A. Dues and fines as specified by the bylaws shall finance the MGC.

### **SECTION 2. Budget**

- A. The Executive Board, shall present the tentative financial budget for the semester at the second General Council meeting of each semester.
- B. The Executive Board shall present a proposed finalized budget for the semester at the fourth General Council meeting of each semester, and it shall be approved by the General Council by a two-thirds majority.

### **SECTION 3. Dues**

- A. The Treasurer shall collect dues by the third meeting of the semester, unless special arrangements have been made and approved by both the Treasurer and the Active/Associate Membership Chapter.

## **Article VIII – Amendments**

### **SECTION 1.**

- A. This Constitution shall be amended by a two-third vote of Membership Chapters present and voting at any General Council meeting.

### **SECTION 2.**

- A. All proposed amendments must be introduced during new business or open table and will be voted on at the following meeting of the General Council during old business.

### **SECTION 3.**

- A. The Executive Board or General Council delegates may introduce an amendment during new business or open table at General Council meetings.