THE CONSTITUTION OF THE DELTA PSI CHAPTER
OF
ORDER OF OMEGA

ARTICLE I: NAME

Section 1
The name of this organization shall be the Delta Psi chapter of Order of Omega.

ARTICLE II: AFFILIATION

Section 1
The chapter is and shall remain affiliated with the National Organization of the Order of Omega.

ARTICLE III: PURPOSE

Section 1
The purpose of the Order of Omega shall be threefold:

A. To recognize those students who have attained a high standard of leadership in inter-Greek activities, to encourage them to continue along this line, and to inspire others to strive for similar conspicuous attainment;

B. To bring together the most representative fraternity and sorority members, and to create an organization that helps mold the sentiment of the institution on questions of local and intercollegiate affairs;

C. And to provide altruistic programming and all Greek social opportunities to further develop fraternal bonds and the Southeastern Louisiana University community.

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1
The membership of this Order shall be confined to members of Greek-letter social organizations who are fully recognized by their respective national offices and Southeastern Louisiana University.

Section 2
There shall be three classes of members:

A. Student members shall be those duly selected to membership as undergraduate students by the chapter and they shall be so designated during the remaining period of their undergraduate, post-baccalaureate, and/or graduate enrollment.

B. Alumni members shall be all former student members after their graduation or the termination of their collegiate enrollment.

C. Honorary members shall be any such members selected by the chapter and may include faculty, staff, alumni, and other community members who are not undergraduate students.
Section 3
Membership in the Delta Psi chapter of Order of Omega entitles the person to the rights and privileges of life membership, except that only active members may vote and hold office in a local chapter.

Section 4
The active membership of the chapter shall consist of the student members who are currently enrolled at Southeastern Louisiana University.

Section 5
Transfer members may affiliate or be eligible for selection to membership according to the following:
   A. Initiated transfer students shall be affiliated with the Delta Psi chapter upon verification of their membership with Order of Omega.
   B. Transfer students will not fall into any membership quota restrictions.

Section 6
Chapters may select into membership a student who was initiated into a Greek organization at another institution that is not represented at the campus to which he/she has transferred upon verification of membership from their respective national organization.

Section 7
A. New members shall be required to pay the one time national fee and one time semester local dues of $50 to be eligible for initiation.
   a. The chapter should refer to Order of Omega for the most current national fee amount.
   B. Honorary members will be required to pay the national fee to be eligible for initiation.
      a. The chapter should refer to Order of Omega for the most current national honorary fee amount.

ARTICLE V: MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

Section 1
The qualifications for membership in the Delta Psi chapter shall be character, scholarship, service, and leadership at Southeastern Louisiana University.

Section 2
Exemplary character shall be the primary consideration for membership in Delta Psi chapter.

Section 3
To be eligible for membership in the Delta Psi chapter, a student shall meet the following minimum requirements:
   A. One full academic year of residence in the institution where elected
   B. Junior or Senior (undergraduate) standing
   C. Hold a 3.0 or higher cumulative grade point average.
   D. Be in good standing with their respective fraternal organization.
   E. Should show a commitment to supporting and fostering Greek Life at Southeastern Louisiana University.
F. Active involvement in the following areas: Chapter Leadership, Campus Leadership, and Community Service

ARTICLE VI: MEMBERSHIP SELECTION

Section 1
The selection of new members shall occur as follows:
A. The Office for Student Engagement shall solicit nominations for Order of Omega from chapter presidents and faculty/chapter advisors.
B. The Office for Student Engagement will verify that all minimum membership requirements are met from those nominated by their respective chapter.
C. All qualified nominees will be notified by letter and will be requested to submit a completed application to apply for membership within Order of Omega.
D. After applications are submitted the chapter will meet and vote to select new members.
   a. Candidates shall initially be placed into three categories by simple vote:
      i. Affirmative
      ii. Possible
      iii. Negative
   b. After the first round of voting the Order will discuss and revote on all Possible candidates.

Section 2
The number of students selected to membership in any one year may not exceed three percent (3%) of the total number of enrolled full-time Greek undergraduates at the beginning of the academic year, or fifteen (15), whichever number is greater.

ARTICLE VII: SUSPENSION AND EXCLUSION

Section 1
Any member convicted by the chapter to which they belong of conduct unbecoming of The Order shall be dishonorably dismissed, deprived of membership, and required to surrender the pin and certificate; notification of which fact shall be sent to the member in question. Expulsion must be approved by a simple majority of the active members of the chapter in which the proceedings have been initiated and shall be subject to review by the Executive Board before it shall be made effective. Any member subject to expulsion from the Order shall have the right to present their case prior to the vote for expulsion.

Section 2
Meetings shall be called as needed by the President provided that there is a minimum of two week notice. If a member misses more than two meetings in an academic year then they shall be automatically placed on probation. If a member on probation fails to attend a meeting then they shall be brought up for expulsion from the Order.

Section 3
Active members of the Order are encouraged to attend all mandatory events or events they are registered to work. If a member misses more than two mandatory events in an academic year then
they shall be automatically placed on probation. If a member on probation fails to attend a mandatory event then they shall be brought up for expulsion from the Order.

**Section 4**
If a member’s cumulative grade point average falls below a 2.7 the member in question shall be placed on automatic probation for the following semester. If a member fails to obtain a 2.7 cumulative grade point average for a second time then they shall be brought up for expulsion. The Office for Student Engagement shall check each member’s grade during the regular grade report process.

**Section 5**
Resignation or expulsion from a fraternal organization shall be subject to termination of membership in The Order of Omega. Such expulsion shall be subject to review by the Executive Board.

**ARTICLE VIII: OFFICERS**

**Section 1**
The chapter officers shall be as follows:
- A. President
- B. Vice President
- C. Secretary
- D. Treasurer

**Section 2**
The term of office for each executive board officer shall be approximately one year.

**Section 3**
Election of officers shall be as follows
- A. The elections of the Executive Board shall be at the first meeting of the Fall semester.
- B. Requirement for an Elected Officer:
  a. Must be an undergraduate member in good standing of the Order of Omega from a fraternity or sorority recognized by Southeastern Louisiana University.
  b. Must meet the minimum requirements for an officer as set by the Office for Student Engagement.
- C. Requirements for Election
  a. Must have quorum. In the event that quorum cannot be achieved, the election may continue provided that:
    1. Active voting members were given a minimum of two weeks’ notice of the election meeting.
- D. Election Process
  a. The order of the elections shall be as follows:
    1. President
    2. Vice President
    3. Secretary
    4. Treasurer
  b. Each candidate must be nominated, seconded, and accept the nomination.
  c. Each candidate shall be allowed to make a speech.
d. The active voting membership shall be allowed to have a 5 minute discussion about the candidates.

e. Voting shall be done by secret ballot

f. Ballots are recorded by the advisor

g. Results are announced after each election.

E. Vacancy
   a. In the event of a vacancy in any officer position an election shall be held at the next meeting of the Order of Omega. The election process shall follow the Election Process listed in this Constitution.

ARTICLE IX: OFFICERS AND THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES

Section 1

A. President
   a. Have overall responsibility for the operation of The Order of Omega
   b. Call and preside at regular and special meetings of The Order of Omega
   c. Review, approve, and sign all Order of Omega checks and contracts involving the chapter
   d. Reports as required to the National Order of Omega
   e. Maintains a complete and up-to-date President’s file which will include a copy of the Order of Omega Constitution and Bylaws, the current Order of Omega Budget, current amendments, and materials received from the National Order of Omega.
   f. Keep in regular contact with the Order of Omega chapter advisor.
   g. Plan and execute Order of Omega’s annual Greek Week.
   h. Perform all other duties usually pertaining to this office

B. Vice President
   a. Supervise annual revisions to Constitution.
   b. Be responsible for the coordination of all membership recruiting activities according to the national constitution.
   c. Perform the duties of the President in his/her absence, inability to serve, or at his/her call.
   d. Assist the President in the planning and execution of Order of Omega’s annual Greek Week.

C. Secretary
   a. Be responsible for all initiation materials per The Order of Omega rituals and policies.
   b. Keep all initiation paraphernalia in proper condition.
   c. Keep an up-to-date roster of the members of The Order of Omega and call roll at all meetings.
   d. Keep current statistics concerning the number of initiated members and honorary members and their respective member fraternities.
   e. Keep minutes of all meetings of The Order of Omega and a record of all action taken by the Executive Board.
   f. Be responsible for the official correspondence of The Order of Omega unless provided for otherwise.
   g. Keep the National Order of Omega informed on all membership changes.
   h. Assist the President in the planning and execution of Order of Omega’s annual Greek Week.

D. Treasurer
   a. Be responsible for the general supervision of the finances of The Order of Omega.
   b. Be responsible for the annual budget for approval by the Executive Board.
c. Receive all payments due to The Order of Omega, collect all dues and issue receipts.

d. Be responsible for the prompt payment of all bills of the Delta Psi Chapter of the Order of Omega.

e. Maintain an up-to-date financial record, give a financial report at each Order of Omega meeting.

f. Assist the President in the planning and execution of Order of Omega’s annual Greek Week.

ARTICLE X: ADVISOR

Section 1
The Advisor of the chapter shall be appointed by the Office for Student Engagement.

ARTICLE XI: ADMENDMENTS

Section 1
Any amendment to these Bylaws shall require for its passage an affirmative vote of a simple majority of the combined votes of all active voting members.

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