

Constitution

Preamble

We, the students at the University of Delaware, do hereby form the organization know as Athletes in Nursing for the purpose of mentorship, career planning, community outreach, and promotion of a healthy lifestyle on campus.

Articles

I. The organization shall be known as Athlete in Nursing.

II. Object of the Organization

This organization will serve as a form of mentorship for student athletes involved in the nursing program. The organization will assist students with any academic problems by helping to provide tutors and by working with faculty to schedule simulation labs and reschedule tests to fit the athlete's schedule. Members will also be able to receive advice from upperclassmen about scheduling, studying, and time organization.

III. Affiliation with Other Groups

This organization will collaborate with other organizations at the University of Delaware, including the School of Nursing, the Student Nursing Organization, Sigma Theta Tau, and the HENS Mentoring program.

IV. Qualification/Criteria for Selecting Membership

Qualifications for membership for this organization are full-time, matriculate undergraduate students in the nursing program who participate or have participated in a varsity or club sport at the University of Delaware.

V. Non-Discrimination Clause

The organization agrees to adhere to all policies and procedures of the University and all local, state, and federal laws. Members will become acquainted with policies and procedures in the Official student handbook and other policies and procedures provided by the University. This organization is a viable, functioning organization, composed of at least six full time undergraduate students and we do not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, gender, age, religion, national origin, veteran, handicap status, or sexual orientation.

VI. Privileges of Membership

Privileges of membership include voting rights.

VII. Non-Voting Memberships

the role of President if the President is absent, and unable to serve the duties, or if the President resigns. The Vice-President shall also be responsible for checking the organization's mailbox and for disseminating information about other activities offered by the other registered student organizations and business promotions.

d. **Section 4: Secretary**

The Secretary shall record the events of all meetings of this organization and shall maintain minutes of those meetings. The secretary shall take attendance of those present at group meetings as necessary. The secretary will also serve as the organization's historian, with the goal of being able to pass accurate records of what the group has done over the past year and who was involved. The secretary should also maintain the membership list and email database.

e. **Section 5: Public Relations Chair/Webmaster**

The public relations chair shall be responsible for promotion of the group and their events. This would include making posters, flyers, and brochures, updating the webpage information, entering information onto the University events webpage, submitting press releases to the appropriate media, and ensuring the group is represented at events designed to help promote the organization and build membership. The person in this position will also be responsible for the webmaster duties which include the monthly upkeep of the website. The public relations chair and webmaster will also have this website approved by the executive board.

XII. **Election of Officers**

Elections will be performed by secret ballot at the end of the Spring Semester. The members do not need to be nominated. All full-time, undergraduate members are qualified to vote. If there is a tie, a re-vote will be held. Elected officers will be trained by outgoing officers of that year. The officers will assume their roles after spring graduation.

a. **Section 1: Procedure for disciplining/removal of officers**

Grounds for officer removal or discipline include not fulfilling duties of position, acting against the mission of the group, and disrespect towards members of the group. An officer has the right to notice of charges, a right to fair hearing, and the right to appeal. Any vacant position due to officer removal will be filled by any eligible member of the group by vote.

b. **Section 2: Resignations**

An officer wishing to resign must notify the advisor of the group by letter stating the reason for resignation at least 2 weeks before leaving the organization. The vacant position will be filled by vote. Any eligible group member may be voted to the position.

XIX. Rules for ratifying the Constitution

Approval of changes to the constitution requires a two-third or simply majority vote of either the executive or the entire organization and approval by the Activities and Programs Office.

XX. Rules for Amending the Constitution

Adding articles/sections to the constitution requires a 2/3 vote of either the executive board or entire membership, and advance notice to all members of the proposed change.

Signatures:

President: Stephan Allen

Vice President: Leigh Victoria

Activities & Programs Staff: [Signature]

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