

# NRHH Blue Hen Chapter Constitution

National Residence Hall Honorary  
Blue Hen Chapter  
University of Delaware

## Article I: Name

The name of this organization shall be the Blue Hen Chapter of the National Residence Hall Honorary at the University of Delaware.

## Article II: Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall be to provide recognition for the students living in the residence halls who have shown outstanding service and who have provided important leadership in the advancement of the residence halls. They will also act as a resource for the groups desiring information about programming and leadership in the residence halls.

## Article III: Membership

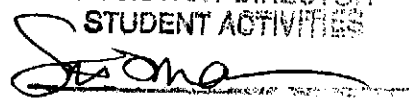
### Section I: Qualifications

- A. Shall have resided in the residence halls for at least three semesters, including the semester of selection.
- B. Shall reside in the residence halls during the semester of selection.
- C. Shall be a student in good standing with the University and shall have a minimum 2.5 G.P.A.
- D. Shall have demonstrated outstanding service and leadership in the residence halls at the University of Delaware.

### Section II: Selection

- A. The organization shall consist of three (3) types of members: active, alumni, and honorary.
  - 1. Active members shall be defined as undergraduate and graduate students currently living in the residence halls, attending, and inducted at the University of Delaware. They shall regularly attend body meetings of the organization. They shall be the only members with voting privileges.
  - 2. Alumni membership shall be held by former active members who have left the residence halls or chosen to no longer remain active in the activities of the NRHH. They may participate in organization functions. They shall not have voting privileges.
  - 3. Honorary membership is offered to others who have shown outstanding service and devotion to the interests of the residence hall program.
    - a. Shall be a form of local recognition extended to a faculty member, a staff member, or a fellow student.
    - b. Honorary member shall not have voting privileges.

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## **Article IV: Selection of Members**

### ***Section I: Recommendation for membership***

- A. Letters of recommendation
  - 1. Will be sent to Inter-Hall Assembly (IHA) members of RSA, Executive Board members of RSA, and Residence Life officials.
  - 2. They will be returned to the E-Board of the Blue Hen Chapter of the NRHH.
- B. Membership applications
  - 1. Will be sent to those students who received a recommendation.
  - 2. Will be returned to the E-Board of the Blue Hen Chapter of the NRHH.

### ***Section II: Selection***

- A. Selection Committee
  - 1. The campus selection committee shall be composed of all elected members of the Blue Hen Chapter E-Board.
  - 2. The chairperson for this committee shall be the Vice President of the chapter.
- B. Selection Standards
  - 1. At no time shall the active membership of the Blue Hen Chapter exceed one (1) percent of the total residence hall population.
  - 2. Each candidate shall have demonstrated outstanding leadership and involvement in the residence hall system. They shall also show an active interest in the advancement of that system.

## **Article V: Executive Structure**

### ***Section I: Officers***

- A. Candidates for office must be full-time undergraduates in good standing with the University of Delaware.
- B. The officers shall include, but not be limited to, the President, the Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, OTM Chair, Historian, and other offices as appointed by the acting president of the chapter.

### ***Section II: Officer Responsibilities***

- A. The president shall:
  - 1. Preside over called meetings.
  - 2. Appoint ad hoc committees and the chairperson of said committees.
  - 3. Act as official spokesperson for the organization.
  - 4. Submit and end of the year progress report with one copy sent to the National Honorary Office and one filed in the permanent file of the chapter.
  - 5. Renew the chapter's membership as a registered student organization with the National Organization, and the Activities and Programs office at the University of Delaware.
- B. The Vice President Shall:
  - 1. Sit as chairperson of the Selection Committee
  - 2. Advise all committees.
  - 3. Preside over called meetings in the absence of the president.
  - 4. Act as Parliamentarian at called meetings.

- C. The Secretary shall:
  1. Take minutes at called meetings and make available for distribution minutes and agendas to members.
  2. Provide an itemized account of all transactions for the minutes.
- D. The Treasurer shall:
  1. Formulate a budget at the beginning of the year with the President and revise it as necessary.
  2. Manage all financial transactions for the organization in conjunction with the RSA Treasurer.
  3. Submit the books for review to the Activities and Programs office at the end of the year.
- E. The Historian shall:
  1. Compile and maintain an active history of the Blue Hen Chapter.
- F. The OTM Chair shall:
  1. Distribute and receive OTM nomination forms.
  2. Submit OTM nominations to the regional associate director on a monthly basis.
  3. Promote OTMs through publicity about the OTM process as well as OTM winners and nominees.
  4. Chair the OTM committee if (s)he deems such a committee necessary.
  5. Report regularly to the NRHH body on the status of the OTM program.

- A. Election of officers shall be held in the Spring semester.
- B. The officers shall be elected by a simple majority of the active membership.
- C. The term of office shall be one (1) year.
- D. In the event of a resignation of an officer, an election will be held to fill the vacancy with the exception of the President.
  1. In the case of a Presidential vacancy, the Vice President shall have the option to become President. Otherwise a general election will be held to fill the vacancy.

**Section IV: Meetings**

- A. The Blue Hen Chapter will meet at least once per fall and spring semester.

**Article VI: Non-Campus Affiliation**

- A. This honorary is a university affiliate of the National Residence Hall Honorary.
- B. In order to maintain this membership the chapter must follow the rules and bylaws of the NRHH constitution.

**Article VII: Amendments and Bylaws**

- A. A two-thirds majority of active membership shall be required to alter this document.

**Article VIII: Enactment**

