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Constitution

Sigma Tau Delta

We, the students at the University of Delaware, do hereby form the organization known as Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honor Society, for the purpose of bestowing "distinction upon undergraduates, graduates, and scholars in academia as well as upon professional writers who have recognized accomplishments in linguistic or literary realms of the English language."[†]

Article 1

Name

The Organization shall be known as Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honor Society.

Article 2

Object

The object of this organization shall be to provide opportunities for members and the University community to further culture, formulate ethical principles, to develop skills in creative and critical writing, and to foster a spirit of fellowship and success through programs, activities, and publications promoted by the chapter.

Article III

Qualifications for Membership

Any English major in the top 35% of their class who has completed three semesters of course work and holds a 3.0 overall and English GPA may become a member.

Article IV

Officers and Elections

Section 1: President

Sigma Tau Delta shall have a President with the duties of calling and running meetings and handling day to day affairs.

[†] From the International Society Chapter Handbook

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Section 2: Vice-President

The Vice-President shall serve the role of president if the president is absent, unable to serve the duties of president, or if the president resigns.

Section 3: Treasurer

The Treasurer shall be responsible for all group expenditures and revenues. The Treasurer shall sign any checks written by this Organization for the purposes of the Organization and maintain all group ledgers.

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.

Section 5: Qualifications for Officers

All officers must be full-time matriculated undergraduate students at the University of Delaware.

Section 6: Elections

Elections for officers shall be held once per academic year. Only full-time matriculated undergraduate students at the University of Delaware may vote in elections.

Article V Meetings

Sigma Tau Delta shall meet at least once per academic semester.

Article VI Bylaws

Section 1: Authority

This Organization shall establish bylaws to carry out the policies set forth in this constitution.

Section 2: Approval of Bylaws

Bylaws and changes in bylaws shall be approved by two-thirds (2/3) approval of those members present and voting.

Article VII
Procedure

The rules contained in Roberts Rules of Order, Revised Edition shall govern the society in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the bylaws or the special rules of order of this society.

Article VIII
Ratification

This Constitution shall be ratified by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the membership of this Organization and approval of this Organization's registration by the Student Activities Office.

Article IX
Amendments

Amendments to this Constitution shall require two-thirds (2/3) approval of the entire membership of this Organization. Advance notice must be made to all members of proposed changes to the Constitution.