



PANHELLENIC COUNCIL CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE

The Greek letter social sororities of Eastern Kentucky University subscribe to the following creed:

We, as Undergraduate Members of women's fraternities, stand for good scholarship, the guarding of good health, for maintenance of fine standards, and for serving, to the best of our ability, our college community. Cooperation for furthering fraternity life, in harmony with its best possibilities, is the ideal that shall guide our fraternity activities.

We, as Fraternity Women, stand for service through the development of character inspired by the close contact and deep friendship of individual fraternity and Panhellenic life. The opportunity for wide and wise human service, through mutual respect and helpfulness, is the tenet by which we strive to live.

ARTICLE I- NAME

1. This organization shall be known as the Panhellenic Council at Eastern Kentucky University, and may be commonly referred to as Panhellenic.

ARTICLE II- PURPOSE

The purpose of the Panhellenic Council shall be:

- A. To provide an organization representing affiliated National Panhellenic Conference women's fraternities at Eastern Kentucky University through which all matters affecting each sorority or the sorority system shall be handled.
- B. To study the various sorority needs and problems and to initiate and foster whatever measures are appropriate to aid in the growth, development, maintenance, and welfare of the sorority system.

ARTICLE III- MEMBERSHIP

1. Any chapter or colony of an affiliated National Panhellenic Conference women's fraternity, which has been organized in accordance with the University and Panhellenic regulations, may apply for membership in the Panhellenic Council. (Procedures for applying/organizing for Panhellenic Council membership and the criteria for evaluation or application are outlined in the Panhellenic Council Bylaws in Attachment III).
2. The Eastern Kentucky University Panhellenic Council shall be composed of one delegate and one alternate delegate from each Regular, Provisional and Associate member group at Eastern Kentucky University.
 - A. The Senior Delegate is required to attend all Panhellenic Council meetings and shall have a vote on all Panhellenic matters. The Senior Delegate may be any member in good standing of her respective sorority.
 - B. The Alternate Delegate is required to attend all Panhellenic Council meetings and represent the Senior Delegate in her absence.

ARTICLE IV- OFFICERS

1. Officers shall be elected in accordance with the Panhellenic Council Bylaws. All elected officers must maintain a 2.75 cumulative GPA.

ARTICLE V- ADVISOR

1. An advisor for the Panhellenic Council shall be designated by the Office of Student Life.
2. The Advisor shall be required to attend all of the regularly scheduled and designated meetings of the Panhellenic Council or send a designee when applicable.

ARTICLE VI- MEETINGS

1. Regular meetings of the Panhellenic Council shall be held once each week while the University is in regular session.
2. Special meetings may be called by the President or the Advisor at any time, or called at the written request of any two member organizations.

ARTICLE VII- SORORITY MEMBERSHIP

1. A woman must be regularly matriculated student to be eligible for membership recruitment and pledging.
2. A Panhellenic Association member fraternity may not issue an invitation to membership or formally pledge a woman during any school recess.
3. The Panhellenic Council shall in no way restrict or regulate the recruitment and selection of members among its member sororities, so long as these practices are determined by the Panhellenic Council to be in accordance with the bylaws regarding recruitment week, ethical, and in the best interest of the sorority system.

ARTICLE VIII- COMMITTEES

1. The President of the Panhellenic Council may appoint any committee, which she deems necessary.

ARTICLE IX- PUBLICATIONS

The Panhellenic Council shall have the right to publish pamphlets, brochures, and a newspaper to promote its various functions and to cover publication cost through the sale of advertising. (Approval granted by the University's Committee on the Student Activities and the Organizations, on September 30, 1971.)

ARTICLE X- DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

1. Each member sorority shall pay dues and applicable fines to the Panhellenic council in the amount designated by the Panhellenic Council's Bylaws.
2. Upon the majority vote of the Panhellenic Council, each member sorority may be assessed an equivalent amount over and above regular dues to cover the expenses of social events and publications.
3. Each sorority that pays their dues before the date designated by the Panhellenic Treasurer will receive a \$10 discount on their total dues for the following semester.

ARTICLE XI- AMENDMENTS

1. Proposed amendments to this Constitution and Bylaws shall be read at one regular meeting prior to being put up for a vote. If approved by a two-thirds majority of the total number of Panhellenic Council delegates, the change shall be submitted to the Panhellenic Advisor and then forwarded to the Associate Vice President of Student Affairs for final approval.

ARTICLE XII- CONSTITUTION

1. This Constitution shall take effect immediately upon approval by the Panhellenic Council and shall negate all previous constitutions.
2. The Constitution of the Panhellenic Council shall be regarded as sovereign in cases of conflict with those of individual member sororities. University policies and procedures shall remain sovereign over all organization constitution and bylaws.