

**HOWL Constitution**  
**(The association for graduate students in creative writing)**

**ARTICLE I Name and Purpose**

Section 1 This organization shall be known as HOWL.

Section 2 The purpose of this club shall be to foster networking, friendships, and professional and academic development for graduate creative writing students.

**ARTICLE II Membership**

Section 1 Membership shall be automatic for, and limited to students who are enrolled in either of the following degree programs at NC State University:

- (1) MA in English with a concentration in Creative Writing
- (2) MFA in Creative Writing

**ARTICLE III Officers**

Section 1 The elective officers of this club shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2 At the club's March meeting, club members shall nominate and elect officers from among the club membership. A simple majority vote of members present is required for officers to be elected.

Section 3 Officers shall serve a term of one year, beginning on April 1.

**ARTICLE IV Amending the Constitution**

Section 1 Proposed amendments to the constitution shall be presented by members of the club in writing and read at a regular meeting, but shall not be voted upon until the next regular meeting, and then only after informing all members of the proposed amendments. A 2/3 majority of the members present is required for an amendment to be approved.

**ARTICLE V Meetings**

Section 1 The club shall meet as follows: officers and those belonging to the steering committee will meet weekly, at a time and place to be determined by its membership each semester. The club will sponsor a program on a monthly basis.

**ARTICLE VI Committees**

Section 1 The club shall make provisions for any standing committees as needed and/or for forming any special committee(s) as needed.

**ARTICLE VII Dues**

Section 1 There are no dues. However club retains the right to assess dues, if needed, as programs are designed and implemented. A simple majority vote of members present is required to assess dues.