

# Sophomore Class Council Constitution

## PREAMBLE

We, the Sophomore Class Council, do hereby establish this Constitution in order that our purpose be realized to its fullest extent.

## ARTICLE I. NOTE

Section 1. The name of the organization will be Sophomore Class Council henceforth referred to as the Sophomore Class Council, or SCC.

## ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

Section 1. The Sophomore Class Council serves to, first and foremost, encourage academic success and loyalty at NC State University. A secondary goal includes nurturing the development of second year students in their quest to become effective citizens of our University and greater community. Lastly, the council will articulate the voice of sophomores and maintain the utmost integrity, professionalism and pride. It is the sincere hope, since the Council is composed of diverse, second year students, that their programming model and core ideals will effectively meet the needs of all second year students at North Carolina State.

## ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Active membership shall be limited to registered students of North Carolina State University. Students must be enrolled in the fall and spring semesters of the academic year they serve on the council to be eligible for membership. In addition, the following requirements are necessary to constitute active membership:

- Must have a 2.5 overall GPA to apply for the council during the spring of their Freshman year.
- Must maintain 2.5 overall GPA during the year they serve.
- Sophomore Standing (30 credits)
- Attendance of at least 75% of all meetings during a given semester.
- Active participation in at least one activity per month sponsored by Sophomore Class Council unless the activity interferes with either scholastic or financial constraints.

Sophomore Class Council openly admits students to its membership and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, outward appearance, age, national origin, political affiliation, physical or mental disability, or on the basis of rights secured by the First Amendment of the United States Constitution.

#### **ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS**

The Sophomore Class Council serves as the representative body of all second year students at North Carolina State University. As a diverse group of student leaders, all of whom provide qualities of effective leadership, the Sophomore Class Council does not maintain officer positions.

#### **ARTICLE V. ADVISORS**

One or two juniors, members of the previous SCC, will be selected to be "student co-advisors" and will be functionally responsible for convening the group and advising them on programming and campus resources. The selection process will be conducted by the Sophomore Class Advisory Board (Student Affairs and Undergraduate Affairs staff). The student co-advisors will meet at least 2 times a month with a member of the Sophomore Advisory Board for advice and resources.

#### **ARTICLE VI. OPERATIONS**

##### Section 1.

##### **Consensus**

Decisions are made through group discussions and agreement.

##### Section 2.

##### **Meetings**

All meetings will occur weekly as selected by Sophomore Class Council at a time established by the council members and student co-advisors. At least one planning retreat will be held during the month of September each academic year.

#### **ARTICLE VII. FINANCES**

Section 1. Through different means of fundraising, The Sophomore Class Council will fund a plethora of activities throughout the year. The Sophomore Class Council will establish the position of a Treasurer to keep track of the finances throughout each school year.

#### **ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS**

Section 1. To amend this constitution the Sophomore Class Council will put forth a vote. A super majority vote will be needed (2/3rds of the council members) to change this constitution. By-laws may be changed with a simple majority vote (50%+1).

## **BY - LAWS**

### **1.1 – Sophomore Class Council Records**

To ensure the inclusiveness and full involvement, a Recorder is chosen each meeting (typically every two weeks) to follow the attached guidelines.

### **1.2 – Meeting Agenda Structure**

The follow the outline / structure will be used for regular business meetings of the SCC:

- Roll
- Team Building Activity
- Program & Event Planning and Updates
- New Business
- Reflection
- Adjournment