

The  
Constitution  
  
Of the  
Polish Society of  
Drexel University



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**ARTICLE I: NAME**

The name of this association shall be *Polish Society of Drexel University*.

**ARTICLE II: OBJECT**

Members of PSA will be empowered to promote and preserve Polish culture and tradition as well as to create a network among all students and faculty interested in the Polish heritage. The PSA will be also pursuing a goal to assist in successful integration with the university any prospective Drexel University students of the Polish origin.

**ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP**

**Section 1: Definition**

All undergraduate and graduate students currently enrolled at Drexel University regardless of race, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation or physical disability will comprise the membership.

**Section 2: Rights of the Membership**

1. All members may vote in PSDA elections.
2. All members may hold office if they are elected or appointed according to the Election Committee Guidelines and Procedures.
3. All members may speak and be heard at the PSDA meetings.
4. All members have the right to access the PSDA information and records not of a confidential nature.

**ARTICLE IV: ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE**

PSA will have one governing body. The executive board will be defined as: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The president will delegate the responsibilities for actions to commits of the PSDA. The president will delegate the responsibilities for meeting with administrators outside of PSDA meetings.

All officers will be expected to solicit their constitutes' views on pertinent legislation and general student life and welfare. PSDA meeting will serve as an additional forum for the expression of concerns.

In addition PSDA will have a position of Alumni Relation Officer, which will be a part of the governing body.

## **Section 1: Responsibilities of Office**

### **A. President**

1. This student shall serve as the student liaison to the University President.
2. The president of the undergraduate and graduate student body shall be the official spokesperson of the student body.
3. This student shall act as the liaison to the University's Board of Trustees, to attend all open meetings or will send the Vice-President or other representative in his/her place.
4. This student shall chair the meeting to develop the PSDA budget.

### **B. Vice-President**

1. This student will chair PSDA meetings in the absence of the President.
2. This student will be responsible for keeping track of committee activities and to provide direction to committees in cooperation with the committee chair.
3. This student will work with the president, supporting him/her and attending meetings with administrators in his/her absence.
4. This student shall be considered an ex-officio member of all PSDA related committees.

### **C. Treasurer**

1. This student will keep track of the expenditures of the PSDA.
2. This student shall be the Chair of the student activities fee Allocation Committee.

### **D. Secretary**

1. This student will be responsible for managing all of the PSDA records from the meetings and all activities the organization will conduct throughout the year.

### **E. Alumni Relations Officer**

1. This student will be a contact person between the organization and recently graduated Drexel students.

## **ARTICLE V: ADVISORS**

The primary advisor of the PSDA shall be an administrative, faculty, or staff member of Drexel University to assist in the matters of finance and general procedures.

The PSDA may also appoint secondary advisors from within the University.

## **ARTICLE VI: APPOINTMENT**

Annual ballot vote will be ordered in order to determine the executive body. Voting will take place during the meeting at the end of the spring term each year.

Removal or replacement of any of the officers can only be conducted after approval of Student Activities Office, the advisor and the majority vote of the undergraduate and graduate student body; the appointment will take effect immediately.

## **ARTICLE VII: MEETINGS**

Meetings of the PSDA will be held weekly or as often as necessary.

## **ARTICLE VIII: RATIFICATION**

This Constitution must be ratified by a majority vote of the undergraduate and graduate student body. This Constitution will then take effect immediately.

## **ARTICLE IX: AMENDMENTS**

Section 1: Any and all amendments must be submitted to the executive body in writing when introduced as new business at a regular meeting.

Section 2: An amendment to the Constitution will be automatically placed on the ballot for ratification by a majority vote of undergraduate and graduate student body. If approved, it will take effect immediately.

## **ARTICLE X: DISSOLUTION**

Before a vote to dissolve PSDA can be made, public notice of the date, time, location, and nature of the vote must be made two weeks or fourteen calendar days, prior to the actual vote. The dissolution of PSDA will take place only if two-thirds of the voters are in favor of the dissolution or as for cause, the dissolution of PSDA is ordered by the Office of Student Activities.