

The Constitution of Hudson and Holland Scholars LINK Program at Indiana University

ARTICLE I - Introduction

Section 1 – The Hudson and Holland Scholars LINK Program is an organization that is the ‘link’ between students and the Hudson and Holland Program to ensure that there is a community of motivated students to create change throughout the university.

ARTICLE II - Objectives

Section 1 - The Hudson and Holland Scholars LINK Program seeks to provide a safe and judgment-free environment where individuals within the scholarship program can freely express their thoughts and ideas. The organization does this through social events, academic support, and fundraising opportunities. We aim to meet and connect with other underrepresented minority scholars from different backgrounds and parts of the world while developing upon academics, civic engagement, and professional experience with an open mind.

ARTICLE III – HHSP LINK hereby abides by the University Standards

Section 1 - Statement of University Compliance: This organization shall comply with all Indiana University regulations, and local, state, and federal laws.

Section 2 - Anti-Hazing Policy: Hazing is strictly prohibited. Hazing shall be defined as any conduct which subjects another person, whether physically, mentally, emotionally, or psychologically, to anything that may endanger, abuse, degrade, or intimidate the person as a condition of association with a group or organization, regardless of the person's consent or lack of consent.

Section 3 - Personal Gain Clause: This organization, if raising funds, shall ethically raise and distribute profits from organizational functions to either the organization or to members who provide a service that

directly benefits the organization. Individual members may not receive compensation from for-profit companies if acting as a representative of a student organization.

Section 4 - Statement of Non-Discrimination: Participation in the proposed organization must be without regard to arbitrary consideration of such characteristics as age, color, disability, ethnicity, sex, gender, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

ARTICLE IV - Officer Duties

Section 1 – The officer duties are divided between Executive Committee Members and Chairpersons. They are as follows:

President - The President shall be the principal executive officer of the Chapter and, subject to the control of the Executive Committee and the direction of the membership, shall in general supervise and control all of the activities of the Chapter. The President shall be a member of the Executive Committee and, when present, shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Committee and all meetings of the membership. The President shall vote only in the case of a tie in a vote of the Executive Committee or the membership. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees of the Chapter. To be eligible to serve as President, a person must be a National Member.

Vice President - The Vice President shall be a member of the Executive Committee and, in the absence of the President, shall perform the duties of the President. The Vice President shall perform such other duties as are assigned by the President or the Executive Committee. The Vice President also is Head of Planning for Bowling for Brain Injuries. To be eligible to serve as Vice President, a person must be a National Member.

Secretary - The Secretary shall be a member of the Executive Committee. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the proceedings of the membership and the Executive Committee, shall receive from the Treasurer the list of all Members who have paid dues and prepare the

official list of Members eligible to vote, shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with these Bylaws, and, in general, perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as may be assigned by the President or the Executive Committee. In addition, the Secretary shall upkeep the Constitution, the calendar if it does apply, and any other documents needing addressed. The Secretary may also work act as the Recorder, providing information to the general club when applicable.

Treasurer - The Treasurer shall be a member of the Executive Committee. The Treasurer must complete SOA (student organization accounts) training before handling any organization money and must stay up to date and in contact with any SOA news and information. The Treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for all funds of the Chapter and shall receive and give bills, receipts, and invoices for monies due and payable to the Chapter from all sources and shall deposit such funds in such banks or other Chapters as are selected by the Executive Committee. The Treasurer shall make disbursements as authorized by the President, Executive Committee, or membership in accordance with the budget adopted by the membership.

ARTICLE V - Meetings

Section 1 - The club shall hold one general (all group) meeting per month at such a time and place as shall be determined at the beginning of the semester by the club officers. General meetings are in place to discuss social events, community service events, fundraising events, and housekeeping business, as well as to hold informational panels or other purposeful activities and events.

ARTICLE VI - Ratification and Amendments

Section 1 - This constitution must be ratified by 3/4 of executive committee.

Section 2 - This constitution must be thoroughly presented to the chairpersons and made accessible to all members of the organization.

Section 3 - Any member who wishes to make an amendment should first inform an executive member a week prior to the next general meeting. That executive member will then inform the president. If the amendment is about the president, the member can choose to inform the vice president. Amendments may be made to this constitution with majority vote of the club membership present at an announced regular general meeting or by 5/9 of officer vote at an announced regular executive meeting.