

# Constitution of the Student Composer Association (SCA)

**Preamble:** The Student Composers Association at Indiana University exists primarily to further the professional development and industry opportunities for composition students enrolled at the Jacobs School of Music.

The Association operates as a peer interface for the composition department, facilitating an annual guest composer program, developing and administrating public performance and learning opportunities.

The SCA also exists to expand opportunities for professional development and community involvement of composers at the Jacobs School of Music. This is achieved through interaction with guest and visiting composers (national and international), establishing popular and successful annual, public performance programs with community partners in Bloomington, and creating cross-departmental projects for the premiere of new works. These opportunities would not be available for composition students without the advocacy and work of the SCA.

The SCA maintains a strong presence within the Music School, by facilitating welcome receptions and functions for incoming students, working with faculty to attract high profile guest composers and educators and seeks to maintain the quality and high standards of new music activity within the Jacobs School of Music.

## Article 1: Membership

Statement of Non-Discrimination: Participation in the proposed organization must be without regard to arbitrary consideration of such characteristics as age, color, disability, ethnicity, gender, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status, [section I.D.3(c).]

The membership of our group includes and is limited to the number of students (majors and minors) in the composition department, including graduate and undergraduate students. All members and officers of this organization are currently enrolled at Indiana University. Student membership within the organization is subject to the review of the composition department faculty.

## Article 2: University Compliance

This organization shall comply with all Indiana University regulations, and local, state, and federal laws.

### Article 3: Executive Officers

**Jamie Kunselman – President**

**August Fackler and Dustin Robert Ledgard– Vice presidents**

**Walker Smith - Secretary**

**John William Griffith II - Marketing Coordinator**

**Alex Tedrow– Treasurer**

Executive officers serve on the SCA council overseeing and administering all aspects of the organization, prepared and handed over directly by previous administrations. Officer resignations, removals from office, and new officer commissions are decided by unanimous consent of the council. Officers are expected to be in the SCA for two years, maintaining continuity in the organization for the sake of organization and efficiency.

**Presidential duties:** Leading meetings, creating agenda, assisting the secretary with SCA emails, attending the funding request meeting with the treasurer, delegating event responsibilities to teams and team leaders for each event

**Vice presidential duties:** Taking notes at meetings, keeping track of to do lists, scheduling meetings

**Secretarial duties:** Managing the beINvolved page, reregistering the organization, checking the SCA email

**Treasurer duties:** see Article 8, complete Treasurer Training

### Article 4: Advisor

**Dr. Don Freund – Advisor**

**Responsibilities and Duties:** The advisor to the SCA assigns responsibilities particular to the composition department as well as oversees (as an advisor) logistical aspects of our organization (ex: approval of budget proposal, approval of official financial/treasury documents, and other advisory functions).

### Article 5: Elections

SCA officers are not elected. They are appointed by previous administrations.

### Article 6: 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.

### Article 7: Dues & Budgets

There are no dues required of members in the SCA. Organizational funding stems from a combination of sources including IUSA, Jacobs School of Music, Indiana University Alumni Association, and additional sources.

## **Article 8: Finances**

The organization's Treasurer is responsible for maintaining the SCA accounts, budget proposals, and retrospective expenditure reports. The organization currently holds an account with the Student Organization Accounts office and accords with all of their policies and procedures. Should the SCA at any time be dissolved, the treasurer will reimburse IUSA and all other concerned parties with a portion of the aggregate account proportional to the percentage of their initial funding.

## **Article 9: 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 directly from for-profit companies if acting as a representative of a student organization.

## **Article 10: Amendments**

All proposed amendments must be taken up and approved by unanimous consent of the executive officers at one of their meetings or by unanimous consent of the executive officers over email.

This constitution has been approved by unanimous consent of the SCA officers  
2019-2020:

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