



The Constitution of the Multicultural Greek Council

Colorado State University

Fort Collins, Colorado



The founding organizations of the council include Alpha Phi Gamma Sorority, Inc. (ΑΦΓ), Beta Kappa Gamma Fraternity, Inc. (ΒΚΓ), Lambda Theta Nu Sorority, Inc. (ΛΘΝ), Nu Alpha Kappa Fraternity, Inc. (ΝΑΚ), Pi Lambda Chi Latina Sorority, Inc. (ΠΛΧ), Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity, Inc. (ΣΛΒ), and Sigma Lambda Gamma Sorority, Inc. (ΣΛΓ).

PREAMBLE

We, the member organizations, have joined together to form this council known as the Multicultural Greek Council at Colorado State University, in order to better meet our individual and joint needs. As culturally-based organizations, we strive to promote and uplift our common heritages and history while trying to recognize our uniqueness. We do hereby establish such an organization and bind ourselves to abide by the provisions of the following constitution and bylaws.

ARTICLE I. – NAME

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Multicultural Greek Council at Colorado State University hereinafter referred to as MGC.

ARTICLE II. – PURPOSE

Section 1. The purpose of MGC shall be to serve as the governing body for all of its member organizations in a fair and responsible manner. The council promises to uphold academic success, provide safe spaces for underrepresented students, and to create intentional programming to bring member organizations together.

ARTICLE III. – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Active Members: The MGC membership shall consist of Colorado State University Multicultural Greek sorority and fraternity chapters rather than individual students upon the ratification of this Constitution.

A. Any individual as a member of a sorority or fraternity chapter that is a member of MGC shall have automatic membership in MGC.

B. Member chapters must be in good standing with Colorado State University.

Section 2. Associate Members: Shall be granted to organizations selected through the Fraternity & Sorority Life Expansion Policy, who are granted recognition from MGC.

A. Any organization or interest group seeking recognition from MGC must follow the MGC expansion process as outlined in the MGC Constitution and Bylaws.

B. Associate members shall have all rights and responsibilities of membership, except where specified in the MGC Bylaws.

Section 3. Membership Rules of Order: As a recognized student organization at Colorado State University, our organization shall not deny membership to any student on the basis of

race, age, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, sex, gender, disability, veteran status, genetic information, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression.

Section 4. Duties of Members: Active and associate chapters of MGC will be required to have one delegate and one alternate delegate, who must attend weekly delegate meetings.

- A. An active roster has been submitted within three (3) weeks of the onset of the semester to the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life.
- B. Member organizations are allowed no more than three (3) unexcused absences at a MGC Meeting/Event throughout the course of an entire calendar year.

Section 5. Dues: Each organization shall contribute dues semesterly as outlined in the MGC bylaws.

- A. Dues shall be collected as outlined in the MGC Bylaws.

Section 6. Removal of Chapters: A member chapter will lose recognition from MGC if:

- A. Their chapter loses recognition from Colorado State University.
- B. Failure to pay their membership dues for three consecutive semesters
- C. Failure to meet academic standards as outlined in the bylaws.
- D. An organization wishing to withdraw from the council must notify the council in writing of intentions and reasons for withdrawing membership from MGC within one (1) month of the onset of the academic semester.
 - i. If the withdrawal deadline is not met, the organization is held responsible for all financial and participation responsibilities for that semester.
- E. A chapter previously recognized by MGC that loses recognition will have to follow the MGC expansion policy, as outlined in the MGC bylaws, to regain membership within MGC.

ARTICLE IV. – EXPANSION

Section 1. After an organization has been recognized by both SLiCE (Student Leadership, Involvement and Community Engagement) and the Office of Fraternity Sorority Life they have the opportunity to gain membership in MGC.

Section 2. In order to petition for associate status within MGC the chapter must present to all of the member organizations at a delegate meeting or request for a special meeting to be held.

Section 3. They are required to pay active dues during the semester they request recognition as outlined in the MGC bylaws.

Section 4. The full expansion process is outlined in the MGC bylaws.

ARTICLE V. – ELECTED OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers: The elected officers of Council shall be President, Executive Vice President, Vice President of Scholarship, Vice President of Judicial Affairs, Vice President of Risk Management, Vice President of Council Development, Vice President of Council Events, and Vice President of Public Relations. This executive board will consist of only CSU student members. Full eligibility are as outlined in the MGC bylaws.

Section 2. Duties of Officers: The individual duties of the MGC officers will be outlined in the MGC bylaws.

Section 3. Election of Officers: The election will take place during a special meeting and voting will be in the form of a secret ballot. The full elections procedure is outlined in the MGC bylaws.

Section 4. Removal of Officers: The full procedure for removing an officer is outlined in the MGC bylaws.

ARTICLE VI. – MEETINGS

Section 1. Delegate Meetings: The delegate meetings of the council shall be held weekly beginning with the second week of each semester. It is the responsibility of the President to allocate a common time and notify the organizations before the onset of the semester. If voted upon by the council, a meeting may be suspended if the council has nothing to discuss.

A. Failure to attend a delegate meeting will result in a fine as outlined in the bylaws of the constitution.

B. All special and/or emergency meetings will be called by the President. Each organization shall be notified and the meeting will occur within 48 hours in which all organizations will be expected to attend. There are no fines for missed emergency meetings, however the organization's vote will not be counted

Section 2. Executive Board Meetings: The Executive Board shall meet weekly prior to each delegate meeting.

ARTICLE VII. – ADVISOR

Section 1. MGC shall have as its primary advisor, the MGC advisor(s), as designated by the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life at Colorado State University.

Section 2. Duties: MGC advisor(s) shall attend delegate and executive board meetings, delegate meetings, as well as any new member presentations to support the council as needed.

ARTICLE VIII. – AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Proposal of Amendments: Amendments to this Constitution or Bylaws may be proposed by affiliate chapters through their representatives and executive board members of the MGC.

Section 2: The Constitution and Bylaws may be amended as follows: Proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be submitted to the Executive Vice President at least one (1) day before the meeting at which they shall be presented. The Executive Vice President shall circulate the proposed amendment to all voting representatives within one (1) day of meeting.

A. The Proposed amendment will be voted on in old business of the following delegate meeting.

Section 3: The Proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be adopted by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote from the members present at the meeting. The amendment is immediately effective unless otherwise stipulated in the proposal.

ARTICLE IX. – FINANCIAL STRUCTURE

Section 1: The MGC budget shall be created by the Executive Vice President

- A. The MGC budget for the semester will be presented at the fifth delegate meeting of the semester.
- B. This budget must be approved by $\frac{2}{3}$ votes of chapter delegates.
- C. At the conclusion of each semester the Executive Vice President will distribute a expenditures report to every chapter delegate outlining the semester's expenses

ARTICLE X. – COMMITTEES

Section 1. All committees, liaison positions, and assistant positions shall be formed and established in accordance with the needs of MGC to carry out the programs of the council and to delegate duties to the general council. The establishment of such committees and positions will be under the direction and supervision of the MGC Executive Board.

Section 2. Any committees established by the council are outlined in the MGC bylaws