

Constitution of Omicron Delta Kappa

Article I: Omicron Delta Kappa

Section 1: The name of this organization shall be Omicron Delta Kappa, hereafter referred to as ODK.

Article II: Purpose

Section 1: The purpose of this organization shall be to recognize those who have attained a high standard of efficiency in collegiate activities and to inspire others to strive for conspicuous attainments along similar lines. The organization aims to bring together the most representative students in all phases of collegiate life and thus to create an organization which will help to mold the sentiment of the institution on questions of local and intercollegiate interests. The function of the organization is to bring together members of the faculty and student body of the institution, as well as other Omicron Delta Kappa members, on a basis of mutual understanding and interest.

Article III: Affiliations

Section 1: This national organization is affiliated with the following: *The American Society of Association Executives, The Center for Academic Integrity, The Community Leadership Association, The International Leadership Association, The Kentucky Society of Association Executives, The National Clearinghouse for Leadership Programs, Project Pericles, and Hertz Rentals.*

Article IV: Membership

Section 1: All members of this organization shall consist of enrolled Ohio University students.

Sections 2: This organization and its members shall not discriminate against any individuals for reasons of color, race, religion, national origin, age, gender, sexual orientation, ability status, and/or veteran status.

Sections 3: Membership in this group shall be open to all who are interested and have a GPA of 3.25 or higher, have completed at least 90 credit hours, have a leadership position/ initiative, and lastly, are actively involved in the community. Membership criteria is also based on applicants scholarships, involvement with athletics, campus or community service (including social, religious activities, and campus government) journalism, publications, speech, the mass media, and lastly, creative and performing arts.

Article V: Officers

- Section 1: The officers of the organization shall consist of...
- A. President – The President shall lead chapter and executive board meetings in addition to making sure everyone on executive board is following their job duties. It is also the presidents' responsibility to make sure the chapter follows all national procedures as well as university rules.
 - B. Vice President – The Vice President shall assume the duties of the president in their absence. They shall also plan the initiation of new members and work closely with the professional development chair to find a keynote speaker.
 - C. Treasurer – The Treasurer shall budget our chapters money as well as being responsible for fundraising money.
 - D. Membership – The Membership Chair shall take responsibility of the event sheets and attendance procedures. Also, the membership chair shall always have a count of our active and non-active members.
 - E. Public Relations – The Public Relations Chair shall get the word out about our organization. They shall be contacting media organizations about our involvement in new and exciting events around the community.
 - F. Professional Development – The Professional Development Chair shall bring in speakers that will enhance the professional development of our chapter. This chapter position is also responsible for finding a speaker for the induction ceremony.
 - G. Fundraising – The Fundraising Chair shall come up with new ideas for fundraising and help implement them. This fundraising chair is responsible for holding one fundraiser each quarter.
 - H. Community Service – The Community Service Chair shall go out into the community and find service opportunities for the chapter to get involved in.
 - I. Social – The Social Chair shall plan social events for the chapter. The social chair is responsible for enhancing the fellowship amongst the members of our chapter.
- Section 2: There are no qualifications for the officer positions.
- Sections 3: The term of each office shall be one year from June 1 – May 31.
- Section 4: Should an officer's position become vacant during his/her term, the members of the chapter will be notified of the officer opening and then at the next meeting we will allow members to nominate themselves and/ or other members for the position. The current executive board members will then meet and vote on whom to elect for the vacant position. They will vote by 2/3 majority.

Article VI: Advisor

- Sections 1: Our organization advisor must be a member of the faculty, administration, or staff of Ohio University.
- Sections 2: The duties and responsibilities of the advisor shall be to give prior approval for all financial transactions and off-campus activities. Another responsibility for the advisor is that they may be required to sign legal documents in a transaction as a duly authorized representative of the organization.
- Section 3: Should the position of advisor become vacant during the year we will try and find another faculty, administration, or staff of Ohio University that is or has been a member of ODK and would like to take on the position of chapter advisor. If this does not work, then, we will contact the Department of Campus Life to get contacts of staff members looking to be chapter advisors. Then, our chapter officers will meet with the prospective advisor(s) and decide who would be a good fit for our organization.

Article VII: Meetings

- Section 1: Regular meetings of the organization shall be held every other Monday at 9:00pm. All meetings will be called by the president.
- Section 2: Special meetings of the organization shall be held only when an important matter needs to be discussed with the chapter. The president and vice president are the only people who have the authority to call these meetings. In addition, two days notice is required to call these meetings.

Article VIII: Amendments

- Section 1: This constitution shall be amended by a vote of 3/4 majority of the membership at any regular or special meeting.
- Section 2: Provision for advance notice of amendment shall be voted on by eligible members at chapter meetings. Members will be informed of the proposed amendment through notification by email and announcement at the next two consecutive meetings.

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