

University of Northern Colorado  
Multicultural Greek Council Constitution

Mission Statement

The purpose of the Multicultural Greek council shall be primarily to unite the nontraditional multicultural Greek organizations at the University of Northern Colorado.

The council shall work to empower and support the underrepresented populations at UNC and in the Greeley communities. Members will strive to educate the people of UNC about the Non-traditional Greek organizations and promote multicultural awareness on our campus and in our Greeley community. Through these efforts the MGC will serve as a tool in assisting each organization with recruitment and retention efforts on our campus.

Finally, this council will develop links with other student organizations in an effort to network and create partnerships. The MGC will abide by all of the University of Northern Colorado equal opportunity policies.

ARTICLE I. NAME

This organization shall be known as the Multicultural Greek Council hereafter referred to as the MGC at the University of Northern Colorado

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

Section 1. The purpose of the MGC is to unite non-traditional Multicultural Greek organizations at UNC.

Section 2. The objectives are:

- A. Support underrepresented populations at UNC and in Greeley.
- B. Educate people at UNC about non-traditional Greek organizations on campus.
- C. Promote Multicultural awareness.
- D. Boost recruitment and retention numbers.
- E. Develop links and network with other student organizations on campus.

Article III. Membership

Section 1. The founding members of the MGC

- A. The founding members of the MGC at UNC are:
  - a. Lambda Theta Nu
  - b. Nu Alpha Kappa
  - c. Sigma Lambda Beta
  - d. Sigma Lambda Gamma

Section 2. Regular Membership

- A. Definition: Established Colony/Chapter of a Multicultural Non-traditional Greek Organization with active chapter status, chartered with the University of Northern Colorado.

Section 3. Associate Membership

- A. Definition: An established colony/chapter of a Multicultural Non-traditional Greek organization, chartered with the University of Northern Colorado that is required to undergo a one semester probation period.

Section 4. Interest Group Membership

- A. Definition: A group currently in the process of forming/chartering a new Multicultural Non-traditional Greek organization that must present proof of the interest group status.

Section 5. All details of membership are at the discretion of the Executive Board.

Section 6. Good Standing

Definition & Qualifications

- A. Minimum Chapter GPA of 2.25

- B. Meeting Attendance

- 1. If one or more meetings are missed, the organization will not be allowed to vote until they have attended two consecutive meetings. They will be able to vote at the second meeting attended.
- 2. The first meeting missed is not punished by a fine; however, the second and following meetings are punishable with a \$10 fine, to be due within two weeks of the missed meeting.
  - a. Overdue fines results in loss of voting privileges, until it is paid.
- 3. After four meetings missed, the chapter will be demoted to Associate status for a semester, this semester will begin the following semester.
- 4. Definition of absence: At least one delegate from the chapter is not present. (i.e. No members from a particular organization are present) Board members do not count as a delegate.
- 5. If a delegate cannot attend a meeting, they must contact the president or secretary 24 hours before the meeting, or their respective organization will be counted absent.

- C. Payment of Dues

- 1. Dues are set at \$20 per chapter per semester.
- 2. Due date is set for the third meeting of each semester.

Article IV. Executive Council

Section 1. The Executive Board shall be comprised of President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

Section 2. Officer Requirements (specific responsibilities for positions in by-laws)

- A. Minimum GPA of 2.5
- B. Attendance at each MGC Meeting
- C. Good standing within own chapter
- D. Must have at least a semester experience with their respective chapters.
- E. Hold a minimum of 1 office hour per week

Section 3. Selection

- A. Elections will take place at the end of the spring semester. The term of office will run from fall to spring.
- B. Each chapter is allowed one vote.
- C. The selection process will include a nomination, a speech by the candidate followed by questions from the council.
- E. Each chapter can have no more than two members on the Executive Council.
- F. No chapter can hold the same position for more than one year.

Article V. MGC Advisor

- A. Each year, the Council will appoint a faculty advisor. He or she is to be a university official or faculty member willing to sign a year-long contract to advise the Council.
- B. The advisor shall attend each Council meeting
- C. The advisor may choose to attend Executive Board meetings.

Article VI. Officers

Section 1. General Duties

- A. To support the philosophy that fraternities and sororities are a positive contribution to the development and education of college students;
- B. To honestly endeavor to fulfill the expectations of their office while working within the structure of an MGC "team";
- C. To work together to promote the best interest of the Greek community, its member chapters, the other social Greek governing bodies and the University.
- D. To be familiar with and uphold the Constitution and Bylaws of the MGC;
- E. To attend all Executive and Council meetings;
- F. To attend special programs and events which MGC may sponsor, organize, co-sponsor, or see specific benefit to attending;
- G. To keep a notebook of program ideas, positions duties, and resource materials;
- H. To serve at least one hour per week in the MGC cubicle, and;
- I. To perform all other duties as may be appropriate to their office.

Section 2. Elected Officers

- A. President—The responsibilities of the President shall be, but are not limited to:

1. Have overall responsibility for the operation of the MGC.
  2. Preside over all regular meetings of the General Assembly and call and preside at its special meetings.
  3. Call and preside at all meetings of the MGC Executive Board.
  4. Delegate responsibilities to the MGC and Executive Board, Officers, Appointed Officers, and to see that these responsibilities are being carried out.
  5. Sign MGC checks and all contracts involving the MGC, if and when necessary.
  6. Serve as the liaison between member organizations and the University.
  7. Meet regularly with the MGC Advisor.
  8. To serve as ex-officio member of all committees.
  9. To act as the official Representative of the MGC.
- B. Vice President—The responsibilities of the Vice President shall be, but are not limited to:
1. Representing the Council in the Greek community and the student body at-large and the University administration
  2. Assisting the President with his/her responsibilities
  3. Attending and reporting on IFC, NPHC and PHC council meetings
  4. Assuming the role of President in the absence of the President.
  5. Keep time on topics of discussion
  6. Recognize speakers at meetings
- C. Secretary—The responsibilities of the Secretary shall be, but are not limited to:
1. Take role at general council meetings
  2. Take minutes at executive board and general council meetings
  3. Send meeting minutes to chapters and executive board members
  4. Compile roster of MGC members
  5. Compile contact sheet for each organization per semester which shall include the name, address, e-mail, phone number, and any other pertinent information of chapter presidents
  6. Handle incoming and outgoing mail
  7. Send each year, by the first meeting of September an up-to-date copy of the Constitution and By-laws to each member chapter.
- D. Treasurer—The responsibilities of the Treasurer shall be, but are not limited to:
1. Be responsible for the general supervision of the finances of the MGC.

2. Be responsible for the preparation of an annual budget and, following its approval by the Executive Board, for providing a copy for each MGC member organization.
3. Receive all payments due to the MGC, collect all dues, and give receipts.
4. Send statements to the Treasurer of each member chapter for each semester's MGC dues.
5. Be responsible for the prompt payment of all bills of the MGC.
6. Maintain up-to-date financial records, give a financial report at each regular meeting, when necessary, and an annual report at the close of his/her term in office.

### Section 3. Removal from office

- A. Reasons for removal
  1. Any officer may be removed if he/she falls out of good standing; or goes into inactive status of their respective chapter.
  2. Any officer may be removed from office by the General Assembly for a breach of duty or failure to represent the MGC in a positive manner.
  3. Any officer may be removed from office administratively by the MGC advisor for failure to maintain his/her minimum GPA requirement or a violation of the student code of conduct, or failure to execute his/her duties in a timely fashion.
  4. Any officer may be removed if he/she has two unexcused meetings missed.
- B. To remove, the Executive Board minus the individual in question, must be consulted. There must be an open discussion in any general council meeting, if the matter is not resolved. Then, by the 2nd meeting in which there was discussion there must be a vote to either Remove the office or not.
- C. If the officer misses two unexcused meetings, a vote for dismissal will be held. If the vote allows the officer to retain their position and the officer misses a third unexcused meeting, the officer is immediately removed from office. Vote: at least by 80%
- D. Excused is defined as (1) Family emergency, (2) Doctor's appointment with proper documentation, (3) Academic reviews that have been organized by faculty, with proper documentation. The executive board will have complete discretion in determining an excused absence.

### Section 4. Vacancies

- A. In the event of the premature vacancy of the president the current Vice President will assume the office of President.

- B. In the event of any other office, the body of the council may nominate a replacement and will be confirmed by a majority vote of the council.

#### Article VII. Amendments

Proposed amendments to the constitution shall be in written form, then read, discussed and tabled at the Council meeting at which they are submitted. The proposed amendment(s) will then be read, discussed and voted upon the next meeting. A majority vote is required for passage.

#### \*\*\*Meetings:

The first meeting of each semester will be the same day, time and location as the previous semester, in order to plan the new semester's meeting day time and location.