

Umoja CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. OBJECTIVES

1. To help students preserve, and promote the social and intellectual aspects of all cultures.
2. To develop closer cooperation and understanding among students, faculty, and staff.
3. To instill self-pride among all students.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

1. To be a member, you must be currently enrolled at Indiana University Kokomo.
2. An active member shall be a member who attends at least two (2) meetings per semester.
3. Voting power shall be extended to active members only.

ARTICLE III. STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION

1. General Assembly
 - a. The general assembly shall be the supreme organ of the association and it shall be constituted of all members.
 - b. The active members of the General Assembly will elect the officers of the Executive Council.
 - c. All major decisions (financial, policy making, etc.) affecting the association will be voted upon by active members of the General Assembly.
2. Executive Council
 - a. The following officers will comprise the Executive Council:
 - (1) President
 - (2) Vice President
 - (3) Secretary
 - (4) Treasurer
 - (5) Parliamentarian
 - b. There shall be no limit on the number of consecutive terms an executive officer can serve; yet, there will be annual elections.

- c. In the event of any vacancy, an appointee must be approved by the active members of the General Assembly.

ARTICLE IV. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The following qualifications and duties as such:

1. President
 - a. Must be a graduate or undergraduate student, currently enrolled at Indiana University Kokomo.
 - b. Must maintain a 2.3 grade point average, or above. Must be active member.
 - c. Will preside over the General Assembly and the Executive Council.
 - d. Will have the power to establish functional committees for the welfare and interest of the association.
 - e. Will have the power to excuse another executive member or General Assembly if he/she is going to be absent from the meeting.
 - f. Will have the power to execute decisions agreed upon by the majority of the group on items not needing a formal vote.
2. Vice President
 - a. Must be a graduate or undergraduate student and currently enrolled at Indiana University Kokomo.
 - b. Must maintain a 2.3 grade point average, or above.
 - c. Must be active member.
 - d. Will preside over the General Assembly in the absence of the President.
 - e. Will be the coordinator of both the political and social activities of the association.
3. Secretary
 - a. Must be a graduate or undergraduate student and currently unrolled at Indiana University Kokomo.
 - b. Must maintain a 2.3 grade point average or above.
 - c. Must be an active member

- d. Will record minutes of the General Assembly meetings.
- e. Will take attendance at the General Assembly meetings.
- f. Will take care of all correspondence.
- g. Keep current list of all members, their residences and telephone numbers.

4. Treasurer

- a. Must be a graduate or undergraduate student and currently unrolled at Indiana University Kokomo.
- b. Must maintain a 2.3 grade point average or above.
- c. Must be an active member
- d. Must keep a balance of the clubs account as well as handle the club's finances for all revenue-generating events.
- e. Must work closely with the club's advisor in submitting the club's budget annually during the March Budget Bill.

5. Parliamentarian

- a. Must be a graduate or undergraduate student and currently unrolled at Indiana University Kokomo.
- b. Must maintain a 2.3 grade point average or above.
- c. Must be an active member
- d. Must attend all club activities and events to ensure the safety of all members and guests.
- e. Must have a knowledge of as well as enforce Robert's rules of Order to ensure smooth flow of meetings.

ARTICLE V. ELECTIONS

- 1. Elections shall be held annually in the month of March at the last meeting.
- 2. Elections shall be held at General Assembly meetings by written ballot.

3. An election committee, when possible, shall consist of three (3) active members not running for office.
4. If no election committee is available, nominations will be made by General Assembly.

ARTICLE VI. IMPEACHMENT AND REMOVAL

1. An executive officer can be removed from office by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of all active members.
2. In the event that University rules and regulations are violated, an executive officer may be removed from office.

ARTICLE VII. AMENDMENTS AND PROCEDURES

1. This constitution shall come into effect upon its ratification by two-thirds (2/3) majority of the active members present and voting.
2. To amend or replace any provision of this constitution, a written petition must be turned in to the Vice President 48 hours prior to the next meeting.
3. The General Assembly shall have the power to amend or replace any provision of this constitution by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the active members present and voting.
4. These articles may be subject to change within the by-laws.